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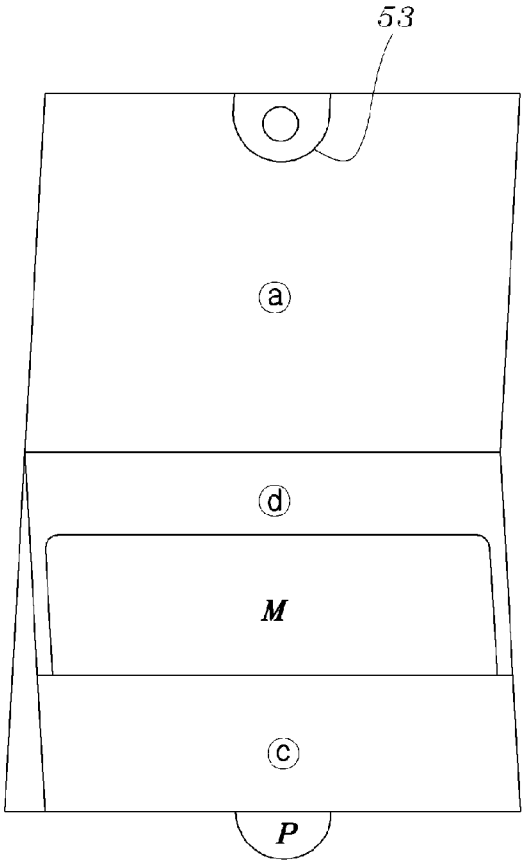
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(54) **Title:** POSTCARD FRAME AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME



(57) **Abstract:** A frameable postcard and a method of manufacturing the same are disclosed. The frameable postcard includes a front surface part (D), which is blank, or on which a picture or photograph is printed, and a rear surface part, which is divided into a rear upper surface part (D) and a rear lower surface part (D) through (D). The rear surface part is constructed such that, when the rear lower surface part is extracted between the rear upper surface part and the front surface part, a frame support structure is formed, and, when the rear lower surface part is retracted to an original state thereof, the frameable postcard is returned to a postcard shape. Therefore, the frameable postcard can be placed upright on a table or be hung on the wall, and, as well, it can be made by folding one or two sheets of paper without using glue.

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Description

POSTCARD FRAME AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

Technical Field

[1] The present invention relates, in general, to frameable postcards and methods of manufacturing the frameable postcards and, more particularly, to a frameable postcard which can be manufactured by folding one or two sheets of paper without using glue to have a frame structure such that it can be placed upright on a table or hung on the wall, and a method of manufacturing the frameable postcard.

Background Art

[2] Generally, postcards are one kind of postal matter, made of a single sheet of paper such that a photograph or picture is printed on one side thereof and a message body, a return address and a mailing address can be written on the other side thereof. The postcards are classified into picture postcards, which are mainly used when vacationing, government postcards, which are published by the government and have standard sizes, and commemorative postcards, which are published in memory of commemorative events or historical figures.

[3] However, in the case of such a conventional postcard, because the postcard is made of a single sheet of paper, it cannot be placed upright on a table or hung on the wall, no matter how beautiful the postcard is. Furthermore, even if a recipient want to place the postcard in his/her immediate vicinity to remember the sender's sentiment for a long period, because the postcard cannot be placed upright, it is stored in a drawer of a desk or is put between the leaves of a book, and the recipient may forget the storage thereof, or the postcard may be discarded after being appreciated once.

[4] As well, because the conventional postcards are sold in a state in which photographs or pictures are printed thereon in advance, it is not easy for consumers to find suitable postcards. In addition, while traveling, if a user wants to send photographs, which are taken on his/her trip, with simple contents to his/her loved ones or family, the burden in which the user must mail a letter in place of a postcard is imposed. Particularly, when on a tight schedule, the action of frequently writing letters to express greetings in place of postcards is a larger burden.

Disclosure of Invention

Technical Problem

[5] Accordingly, the present invention has been made keeping in mind the above problems occurring in the prior art, and a first object of the present invention is to provide a frameable postcard, which can be placed upright on a table or be hung on the

wall, and a method of manufacturing the frameable postcard.

[6] A second object of the present invention is to provide a frameable postcard, into which a photograph or picture can be inserted, and a method of manufacturing the frameable postcard.

[7] A third object of the present invention is to provide a frameable postcard, which can be manufactured by folding a single sheet of paper without using glue, and a method of manufacturing the frameable postcard.

[8] A fourth object of the present invention is to provide a frameable postcard, which can be manufactured by folding two sheets of paper without using glue, and a method of manufacturing the frameable postcard.

[9] A fifth object of the present invention is to provide a frameable postcard, which can be reused as a picture frame, and a method of manufacturing the frameable postcard.

[10] A sixth object of the present invention is to provide a frameable postcard, which can be used as a picture frame, having an advertisement or image publicizing a business entity, and a method of manufacturing the frameable postcard.

[11] A seventh object of the present invention is to provide a frameable postcard, which can be easily embodied into various colors, sizes and shapes, and a method of manufacturing the frameable postcard.

[12] An eighth object of the present invention is to provide a frameable postcard, which can be easily adapted to mass production, and a method of manufacturing the frameable postcard.

[13] A ninth object of the present invention is to provide a frameable postcard, which can produce a graceful image despite the low price thereof, and a method of manufacturing the frameable postcard.

[14] A tenth object of the present invention is to provide a frameable postcard, which is produced as a DIY product such that a consumer can easily assemble the postcard by folding, and a method of manufacturing the frameable postcard.

[15] An eleventh object of the present invention is to provide a frameable postcard, into which a business card or a memo paper sheet can be removably inserted, and a method of manufacturing the frameable postcard.

[16] A twelfth object of the present invention is to provide a frameable postcard, which has therein a decoration for emitting a fragrance or an addition including an incense pouch, and a method of manufacturing the frameable postcard.

[17] A thirteenth object of the present invention is to provide a frameable postcard, which is made of paper treated to emit a fragrance, and a method of manufacturing the frameable postcard.

Technical Solution

[18] In an aspect, the present invention provides a frameable postcard manufactured by folding paper, including: a front surface part, which is blank, or on which a picture or photograph is printed; and a rear surface part divided into a rear upper surface part and a rear lower surface part, the rear upper surface part and the rear lower surface part allowing a user to write a message body, a return address and a mailing address on surfaces thereof opposite the front surface part, the rear surface part being constructed such that, when the rear lower surface part is extracted between a first edge of the rear upper surface part and the front surface part, a frame support structure is formed, and, when the rear lower surface part is retracted to an original state thereof, the frameable postcard is returned to a postcard shape.

[19] The frameable postcard may further include a frame part coupled at opposite edges thereof to the front surface part, with a display window formed in a front surface of the frame part, the frame part being open at one end thereof such that a picture or photograph sheet is inserted into the frame part through the open end thereof.

[20] Preferably, a transparent film may be attached to the display window of the frame part.

[21] Furthermore, a folding line may be formed in the rear lower surface part such that, when the rear lower surface part is extracted between the first edge of the rear upper surface part and the front surface part, the rear lower surface part serves as a frame support.

[22] In addition, a memo paper insert space may be defined by folding a part of the rear lower surface part, so that a business card or memo paper sheet is inserted into the memo paper insert space.

[23] As well, a handle may protrude from an edge of the memo paper sheet, and a cut slit extending a predetermined length may be formed in the folding line of the rear lower surface part, such that, when the memo paper sheet is inserted into the memo paper insert space, the handle of the memo paper sheet is extracted outside through the cut slit.

[24] The frameable postcard may comprise a horizontal frameable postcard or a vertical frameable postcard.

[25] The frameable postcard may further include a hanging part formed in an upper edge or a side edge of the frameable postcard such that the frameable postcard is hung on a peg.

[26] Furthermore, a protrusion, having a shape of an object, animal or plant, may integrally protrude from an upper edge or a side edge of the frameable postcard.

[27] In addition, a decoration for emitting a fragrance or an addition including an incense pouch may be provided in the frameable postcard.

[28] The frameable postcard may be made of paper treated to emit a fragrance.

[29] Preferably, a magnet may be provided in the frameable postcard so that the frameable postcard is attached to metal objects including a refrigerator.

[30] In another aspect, the present invention provides a method of manufacturing a frameable postcard by folding paper, comprising the steps of: (a) forming a rectangular paper sheet including a rear upper surface part (□), a rear lower surface part having first through fourth surfaces (□) through (□), and a front surface part (□) provided between the rear upper surface part and the rear lower surface part, and forming folding parts on an upper edge, a lower edge and opposite edges of the rectangular paper sheet; (b) folding a folding part (①), which is provided on a first edge of the rear upper surface part (□), inwards, and folding folding parts (②), which are provided on respective opposite edges of the rear upper surface part (□), inwards; (c) folding folding parts (③), which are provided on respective opposite edges of the front surface part (□), inwards, and folding the rear lower surface part inwards around an upper edge of the third surface (□) and outwards around a lower edge of the third surface (□) such that the fourth surface (□) is placed on the second surface (□); (d) folding folding parts (⑤), which are provided on respective opposite edges of the fourth surface (□), inwards, folding folding parts, which are provided on respective opposite edges of the first and second surfaces (□) and (□), inwards, and folding a folding part (⑦), which is provided on a first edge of the fourth surface (□), outwards; (e) folding the rear upper surface part (□) inwards to place the rear upper surface part (□) on the front surface part (□), and inserting protruding ends of the folding parts (②) of the opposite edges of the rear upper surface part (□) into respective insert slits (60), which are formed in the respective folding parts (③) of the opposite edges of the front surface part (□); (f) folding the rear lower surface part inwards around center lines of the folding parts (④) of the opposite edges of the first and second surfaces (□) and (□) and around a lower edge of the first surface (□) such that the fourth surface (□) is placed on the first surface (□); and (g) folding the rear lower surface part inwards around a lower edge of the front surface part, and inserting the folding part (⑦) and the fourth surface (□) of the rear lower surface part between the front part (□) and the folding parts (②) of the opposite edges of the rear upper surface part (□), which are coupled to upper ends of the respective folding parts (③) of the opposite edges of the front surface part (□), such that the folding part (①), which is folded inwards around the first edge of the rear upper surface part (□), engages with the folding part (⑦) of the rear lower surface part.

[31] Here, the frameable postcard may have a first cutting slit (65) formed in a folding line, around which the first and second surfaces (□) and (□) are folded with respect to each other, the first cutting slit (65) extending a predetermined length; and a second cut slit (66) formed in a folding line, around which the third and fourth surfaces (□) and (□) are folded with respect to each other, the second cut slit (66) extending a pre-

determined length, wherein the first and second cut slits (65) and (66) are aligned with each other when a corresponding portion of the rear lower surface part is folded.

[32] Furthermore, the frameable postcard may further have a memo paper sheet inserted into an open space between the second and fourth surfaces (□) and (□) of the rear lower surface part, wherein the memo paper sheet may have on an edge thereof a handle to be extracted outside through the first and second cut slits (65) and (66).

[33] In a further aspect, the present invention provides a method of manufacturing a frameable postcard by folding paper, comprising the steps of: (a) forming a first paper sheet including a rear upper surface part (□) and a front surface part (□), and forming a second paper sheet including a frame part (□) having a display window, and a rear lower surface part having first through fourth surfaces (□) through (□); (b) folding a folding part (①), which is provided on a first edge of the rear upper surface part (□), inwards, folding folding parts (②), which are provided on respective opposite edges of the rear upper surface part (□), inwards, and folding a folding part (③), which is provided on a first edge of the front surface part (□), outwards; (c) folding folding parts (⑦) through (⑨), which are provided on respective edges of the display window (71), inwards, and folding folding parts (④) and (⑤), which are provided on a first edge of the frame part (□), inwards; (d) folding the rear lower surface part inwards around an upper edge of the third surface (□) and outwards around a lower edge of the third surface (□) such that the fourth surface (□) is placed above the second surface (□); (e) folding folding parts (□), which are provided on respective opposite edges of the fourth surface (□), inwards, and folding a folding part (□), which is provided on a first edge of the fourth surface (□), outwards; (f) inserting the folding part (③), which is folded outwards around the first edge of the front surface part (□), inside the folding part (⑨) of the corresponding edge of the display window (71) such that the folding part (③) engages with a lower end of the folding part (⑨), placing the front surface part (□) on the frame part (□), and folding folding parts (□), which are provided on a second edge of the frame part (□), inwards; (g) folding folding parts (□), which are provided on respective opposite edges of the frame part (□), inwards, and folding folding parts (⑥), which protrude from the respective folding parts (□) of the opposite edges of the frame part (□), outwards such that the folding parts (⑥) are inserted between the front surface part (□) and the folding part (⑤) of the frame part (□); (h) folding the rear upper surface part (□) inwards around a second edge thereof such that the rear upper surface part (□) is placed on the front surface part (□), and inserting protruding ends of the folding parts (②) of the opposite edges of the rear upper surface part (□) into respective insert slits (79), which are formed in the respective folding parts (□) of the opposite edges of the frame part (□); (i) folding folding parts (□), which are provided on respective opposite edges of the first surface (□) and the second surface (□) of the rear lower surface part,

inwards, and folding the rear lower surface parts inwards around center lines of the folding parts (□) and around a lower edge of the first surface (□); and (j) folding the rear lower surface part inwards around a second edge of the frame part (□), and inserting the fourth surface (□) and the folding parts (□) and (□) of the fourth surface (□) both between the folding parts (②) of the opposite edges of the rear upper surface part (□), which are coupled to respective upper ends of the folding parts (□), and between the folding parts (□) of the opposite edges of the frame part (□), such that the folding part (①), which is folded inwards around the first edge of the rear upper surface part (□), engages with the folding part (□) of the rear lower surface part.

[34] Here, the frameable postcard may have a first cutting slit formed in a folding line, around which the first and second surfaces (□) and (□) are folded with respect to each other, the first cutting slit extending a predetermined length; and a second cut slit formed in a folding line, around which the third and fourth surfaces (□) and (□) are folded with respect to each other, the second cut slit extending a predetermined length, wherein the first and second cut slits are aligned with each other when a corresponding portion of the rear lower surface part is folded.

[35] Furthermore, the frameable postcard may further have a memo paper sheet inserted into an open space between the second and fourth surfaces (□) and (□) of the rear lower surface part, wherein the memo paper sheet may have on an edge thereof a handle to be extracted outside through the first and second cut slits.

Advantageous Effects

[36] The frameable postcard and the method of manufacturing the same according to the present invention have the following advantages.

[37] 1. The frameable postcard can be placed upright or hung on the wall.

[38] 2. Because the frameable postcard is constructed such that a photograph or picture can be removably inserted thereinto, the photograph or picture can be easily replaced with another.

[39] 3. The present invention can substitute for existing frames made of metal, wood or acryl.

[40] 4. The frameable postcard is made of only paper, and thus it is environment-friendly.

[41] 5. The frameable postcard can be prepared by anyone merely by folding one or two sheets of paper without using glue.

[42] 6. The frameable postcard can be reused as a picture frame.

[43] 7. The frameable postcard can be used as a picture frame, having an advertisement or an image publicizing a business entity.

[44] 8. The frameable postcard can be easily embodied in various colors, sizes and

shapes, and can be easily adapted to mass production.

[45] 9. The frameable postcard can produce a graceful image despite the low price thereof.

[46] 10. Because the present invention can be easily prepared by a user merely by folding, it can be sold as a DIY product.

[47] 11. A business card or a memo paper sheet can be removably inserted into the frameable postcard.

[48] 12. The frameable postcard may have therein a decoration for emitting a fragrance or an addition including an incense pouch, or may be made of paper treated to emit a fragrance, so that it can be used as a graceful frameable postcard which emits a fragrance.

Brief Description of the Drawings

[49] FIGS. 1 through 4 are views of a frameable postcard, according to a first embodiment of the present invention, in which FIG. 1 is a front view, FIG. 2 is a rear view, FIG. 3 is a perspective view, and FIG. 4 is a development view;

[50] FIGS. 5 through 8 are views of a frameable postcard, according to a second embodiment of the present invention, in which FIG. 5 is a front view, FIG. 6 is a rear view, FIG. 7 is a perspective view, and FIG. 8 is a development view;

[51] FIGS. 9 through 15 are views of a frameable postcard, according to a third embodiment of the present invention, in which FIG. 9 is a front view, FIG. 10 is a rear view, FIG. 11 is a perspective view, and FIGS. 12 through 15 are development views showing an assembly process thereof;

[52] FIGS. 16 through 21 are views of a frameable postcard, according to a fourth embodiment of the present invention, in which FIG. 16 is a front view, FIG. 17 is a perspective view, FIG. 18 is a development view, FIG. 19 is a view of a memo paper sheet, FIG. 20 is a perspective view showing the memo paper sheet placed in the frameable postcard, and FIG. 21 is a perspective view showing a postcard type state of the frameable postcard, in which a memo paper sheet is placed; and

[53] FIGS. 22 through 30 are views of a frameable postcard, according to a fifth embodiment of the present invention, in which FIG. 22 is a front perspective view, FIG. 23 is a rear perspective view, and FIGS. 24 through 30 are development views showing an assembly process thereof.

Best Mode for Carrying Out the Invention

[54] Hereinafter, preferred embodiments of the present invention will be described in detail with reference to the attached drawings.

[55] First embodiment

[56] FIGS. 1 through 4 are views of a frameable postcard, according to a first

embodiment of the present invention, in which FIG. 1 is a front view, FIG. 2 is a rear view, FIG. 3 is a perspective view, and FIG. 4 is a development view.

[57] As shown in FIGS. 1 through 4, the frameable postcard 10 according to the first embodiment of the present invention includes a front surface part □, which is blank, or on which a picture or photograph is printed, and a rear surface part, which is divided into a rear upper surface part □ and rear lower surface parts □ through □ which allow a user to write a message body, a return address and a mailing address on surfaces thereof opposite the front surface part □. The rear surface part is constructed such that, when the rear lower surface part □ is extracted between the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □, a frame support structure is formed, and, when the rear lower surface part □ is retracted to its original state, the frameable postcard is returned to the postcard shape. Furthermore, the front surface part □ has a picture printed portion 1, on which a picture or photograph is printed, and a letter printed portion 2, on which an advertising image or a message of a business entity is printed. In addition, the rear lower surface parts have first through fourth surfaces □ through □, each of which has folding parts on edges thereof.

[58] In the present invention, the message body, the return address and the mailing address are written on the rear upper surface part □ or the rear lower surface part □ or on both the rear upper surface part □ and the rear lower surface part □. To increase the convenience of use, lines or a separate box for writing the message body, the return address and the mailing address may be formed on the rear upper surface part □ or the rear lower surface part □.

[59] The rear upper surface part □ is attached to the rear surface of the front surface part □. In detail, folding parts 16, which are provided on respective opposite edges of the rear upper surface part □, and folding parts 15, which are provided on respective opposite edges of the front surface part, are folded along corresponding folding lines, are inserted between the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □, and are attached to each other using an adhesive agent. Here, they may be attached to each other using double-sided adhesive tape in place of the adhesive agent.

[60] As such, the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □ are attached to each other on the opposite edges thereof, so that a space is defined between the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □, and one edge of the rear upper surface part □, which is not adhered to the front surface part, is open. Furthermore, the folding parts 15 of opposite edges of the front surface part □ are folded and adhered to the rear surface of the rear upper surface part □.

[61] The fourth surface □ of the rear lower surface parts is inserted into the space between the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □ through the open edge of the rear upper surface part □ so as to be slidable below the rear upper surface part □.

[62] When the fourth surface □ of the rear lower surface parts, which has been inserted below the rear upper surface part □, is pulled out, and when a folding line 7, which is formed in the rear lower surface parts, is folded, the frame support structure is formed, as shown in FIG. 3. At this time, a folding part 17, which is folded on the edge of the rear lower surface part, is locked to a folding part 11, which is folded on the edge of the rear upper surface part □, such that the fourth surface □ of the rear lower surface parts can no longer be extracted from the rear upper surface part □.

[63] In the rear lower surface parts, which serve as the frame support of the frameable postcard, as shown in FIG. 3, the third surface □ is folded inwards between the second surface □ and the fourth surface □, thus forming a memo paper insert space 6, into which a business card or a memo paper sheet can be inserted.

[64] Meanwhile, a hanging part 3 is foldably formed by cutting part of the upper end of the rear upper surface part □ such that the frameable postcard can be hung on the wall. In the case where the frameable postcard is used as a stand type frame structure or a postcard, the hanging part 3 is folded into the rear upper surface part □. In the case where the frameable postcard is used as a structure like a frame hung on the wall, as shown in FIG. 2, the hanging part 3 is unfolded from the rear upper surface part such that it can be hung on the wall.

[65] As such, the frameable postcard 10 according to the first embodiment of the present invention is characterized in that, when the frameable postcard is assembled by folding, the folding parts, which are provided on the edges of the front surface part □, the rear upper surface part □ and the rear lower surface parts □ through □, are inserted into or adhered to the corresponding parts. Therefore, because the folding parts overlap each other or are adhered to each other, the edges of the frameable postcard become thick and thus strengthened, thereby preventing it from being undesirably bent or torn.

[66] Furthermore, the frameable postcard of the present invention has a weight and size corresponding to those of Korean and international standards to prevent costs of carrying postal matter from increasing.

[67] Second embodiment

[68] FIGS. 5 through 8 are views of a frameable postcard, according to a second embodiment of the present invention, in which FIG. 5 is a front view, FIG. 6 is a rear view, FIG. 7 is a perspective view, and FIG. 8 is a development view.

[69] As shown in FIGS. 5 through 8, the frameable postcard according to the second embodiment of the present invention includes a front surface part □, which is blank, or on which a picture or photograph is printed, and a rear surface part, which is divided into a rear upper surface part □ and rear lower surface parts □ through □, which allow the user to write a message body, a return address and a mailing address on surfaces thereof opposite the front surface part □. The rear surface part is constructed such that,

when the rear lower surface part □ is extracted between the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □, a frame support structure is formed, and, when the rear lower surface part □ is retracted to its original state, the frameable postcard is returned to the postcard shape. The frameable postcard further includes a frame part □, which is coupled at opposite edges thereof to the front surface part □ and has a display window 39 in the front surface thereof. In addition, the frame part is open at one end thereof such that a picture or photograph is inserted into the frame part through the open end thereof.

[70] As shown in FIG. 8, the frameable postcard having the above-mentioned construction includes a first paper sheet, which has the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □, and a second paper sheet, which has the frame part □, which is provided with the display window 39, and the rear lower surface parts, which have the first through fourth surfaces □ through □. Furthermore, folding parts are integrally provided on the upper, lower and opposite edges of the frameable postcard.

[71] In addition, in the frameable postcard, a folding line 27 is formed in the rear surface part, such that the rear surface part can serve as a frame support when the rear lower surface part □ is extracted between the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □.

[72] Meanwhile, a transparent film may be attached to the display window 39 of the frame part □. This transparent film can be made of any material as long as it is transparent.

[73] Third embodiment

[74] FIGS. 9 through 15 are views of a frameable postcard, according to a third embodiment of the present invention, in which FIG. 9 is a front view, FIG. 10 is a rear view, FIG. 11 is a perspective view, and FIGS. 12 through 15 are development views showing the assembly process thereof.

[75] As shown in FIGS. 9 through 11, the frameable postcard according to the third embodiment of the present invention includes a front surface part □, which is blank, or on which a picture or photograph is printed, and a rear surface part, which is divided into a rear upper surface part □ and rear lower surface parts □ through □ which allow the user to write a message body, a return address and a mailing address on surfaces thereof opposite the front surface part □. The rear surface part is constructed such that, when the rear lower surface part □ is extracted between the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □, a frame support structure is formed, and, when the rear lower surface part □ is retracted to its original state, the frameable postcard is returned to the postcard shape. Here, the front surface part □ has a picture printed portion 51, on which a picture or photograph is printed, and a letter printed portion 52, on which an advertising image or message of a business entity is printed.

[76] The frameable postcard may further include a frame part □, which is coupled at opposite edges thereof to the front surface part □, has a display window 39 in the front surface thereof, and is open at one end thereof such that a picture or photograph sheet is inserted into the frame part through the open end thereof.

[77] As shown in FIG. 24, the development view of the frameable postcard has a rectangular shape such that the front surface part □ is provided between the rear upper surface part □ and the rear lower surface parts. The rear lower surface parts include first through fourth surfaces □ through □. Furthermore, folding parts are integrally provided on upper and lower opposite edges of the rear upper surface part □, the front surface part □ and the rear lower surface parts.

[78] As shown in the development view, the rear upper surface part □ is connected to the first edge of the front surface part. A folding part ①, which is provided on the first edge of the rear upper surface part, is folded inwards (downwards with respect to the support surface thereof), and folding parts ②, which are provided on opposite edges of the rear upper surface part, are folded inwards and assembled with respective folding parts ③, which are provided on respective opposite edges of the front surface part.

[79] Furthermore, the rear lower surface parts □ through □ are connected to the second edge of the front surface part □. The rear lower surface parts □ and □ are folded onto the rear lower surface part □. Here, to prevent the rear lower surface parts □ and □ from being released from the rear lower surface part □ in a state in which folding parts ⑥ and ⑦, which are provided on the first edge of the rear lower surface parts, are folded outwards (upwards with respect to the support surface thereof), and folding parts ⑤, which are provided on respective opposite ends of the rear lower surface parts, are folded inwards, folding parts ④ are folded inwards onto the folding parts ⑤ such that they overlap each other. In this state, the rear lower surface part □ is extractably inserted between the folding parts ② of the rear upper surface part □, that is, between the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □. Here, the frameable postcard is constructed such that, when the rear lower surface part □ is extracted from the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □, the folding parts ⑥ and ⑦, which are provided on the first edge of the rear lower surface part □, are held at a predetermined position by the folding part ①, which is provided on the first edge of the rear upper surface part □, so that the rear lower surface part □ is prevented from being completely removed from the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □.

[80] As well, a folding line 57 is formed in the rear lower surface parts □ through □ to guide the appropriate position, at which rear lower surface parts are folded, such that, when the rear lower surface parts □ through □ are extracted from the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □, the rear lower surface parts can serve as a support for the frameable postcard. In addition, the rear lower surface parts □ through □ are folded

inwards and outwards based on the part □ to form a memo paper insert space 56, into which a business card or memo paper sheet is inserted. The mouth of the memo paper insert space 56 is formed at a position corresponding to the first edge of the rear upper surface part □.

[81] Preferably, in the frameable postcard of this embodiment, the folding parts ②, which are provided on the respective opposite edges of the rear upper surface part □, may be coupled to the respective folding parts ③ of the front surface part □ by inserting protruding ends of the folding parts ② of the rear upper surface part □ into respective insert slits 60, which are formed in the respective folding parts ③ of the front surface part □. Alternatively, the folding parts ② of the opposite edges of the rear upper surface part □ may be adhered to the respective folding parts ③ of the opposite edges of the front surface part □ using an adhesive agent, of course.

[82] Moreover, the frameable postcard of this embodiment further includes a hanging part 53, which is foldably formed at a medial position in a second edge of the rear upper surface part □ such that the frameable postcard can be hung on a peg. A hole is formed through the hanging part 53 so that it can be hung on the peg.

[83] Hereinafter, a method of assembling the frameable postcard according to the third embodiment of the present invention will be explained with reference to FIGS. 12 through 15.

[84] First, as shown in FIGS. 12 and 13, the folding part ① of the first edge of the rear upper surface part □ is folded inwards, and the folding parts ② of the opposite edges thereof are folded inwards.

[85] Thereafter, the folding parts ③ of the opposite edges of the front surface part □ are folded inwards. The upper edge of the third surface □ of the rear lower surface parts is folded inwards, and the lower edge thereof is folded outwards, such that the fourth surface □ is placed above the second surface □.

[86] Subsequently, the folding parts ⑤ of the opposite edges of the fourth surface □ of the rear lower surface parts are folded inwards, and the folding parts ④ of the opposite edges of the first and second surfaces □ and □ are folded inwards. The folding part ⑦, which is provided on the first edge of the fourth surface □, is folded outwards.

[87] As shown in FIG. 14, the rear upper surface part □ is thereafter folded inwards such that it is placed on the front surface part □. The protruding ends of the folding parts ② of the opposite edges of the rear upper surface part □ are inserted into the respective insert slits 60, which are formed through the respective folding parts ③ of the opposite edges of the front surface part □.

[88] Subsequently, medial portions of the folding parts ④ of the opposite edges of the first and second surfaces □ and □ and the lower edge of the first surface □ are folded inwards such that the fourth surface □ is placed on the first surface □.

[89] Thereafter, as shown in FIG. 15, the rear lower surface parts are folded inwards around the lower edge of the front surface part □, and the folding part ⑦ and the fourth surface □ of the rear lower surface parts are inserted between the front part □ and the folding parts ② of the opposite edges of the rear upper surface part □, which are coupled to the respective folding parts ③ of the opposite edges of the front surface part □, such that the folding part ①, which is folded inwards around the first edge of the rear upper surface part □, can engage with the folding part ⑦ of the fourth surface □ of the rear lower surface parts.

[90] Meanwhile, the folding parts ① through ⑦, shown in FIGS. 12 through 15, primarily serve to enable the assembly of the frameable postcard made of paper, and, as well, they serve to prevent the frameable postcard from being undesirably bent.

[91] Fourth embodiment

[92] FIGS. 16 through 21 are views of a frameable postcard, according to a fourth embodiment of the present invention, in which FIG. 16 is a front view, FIG. 17 is a perspective view, FIG. 18 is a development view, FIG. 19 is a view of a memo paper sheet, FIG. 20 is a perspective view showing the memo paper sheet placed in the frameable postcard, and FIG. 21 is a perspective view showing the frameable postcard in a postcard type state, in which memo paper sheet is placed.

[93] As shown in FIGS. 16 through 18, in the frameable postcard according to the fourth embodiment of the present invention, a first cut slit 65 extending a predetermined length is formed in a folding line defined between surfaces □ and □, and a second cut slit 702 extending a predetermined length is formed in a folding line defined between surfaces □ and □.

[94] When the frameable postcard of the fourth embodiment is assembled in the same manner as the description with reference to FIGS. 12 through 15, it is formed into the shape of FIG. 17. Here, when the frameable postcard is assembled, the first cut slit 65, which is formed in the folding line between the surfaces □ and □, and the second cut slit 66, which is formed in the folding line between the surfaces □ and □, are aligned with each other.

[95] As such, when the frameable postcard is assembled into a frame structure in the same manner as that of FIG. 17, the first cut slit 65 is disposed at the folding line 57, which is formed in the lower end of a frame support. Thereafter, a memo paper sheet 69, which has a protruding handle P on the edge thereof, as shown in FIG. 19, is inserted into a memo paper insert space 56 of the frameable postcard. Then, as shown in FIG. 20, the protruding handle P of the memo paper sheet 69 is extracted outside through the first and second cut slits 65 and 66. Here, as shown in FIG. 20, in the case where the frameable postcard is used as a frame type, the protruding handle P of the memo paper sheet 69, which is extracted outside, is folded in one direction.

[96] Furthermore, when the frame support part of the frameable postcard is inserted in a space between a rear upper surface part □ and a front surface part □ of the assembled frameable postcard, as shown in FIG. 16, the frameable postcard is changed into a postcard shape.

[97] FIG. 21 illustrates the insertion of the frame support part □ of FIG. 20 into the space between the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □ of the assembled frameable postcard in a state in which the memo paper sheet 69 is inserted into the memo paper insert space 69.

[98] Fifth embodiment

[99] FIGS. 22 through 30 are views of a frameable postcard, according to a fifth embodiment of the present invention, in which FIG. 22 is a front perspective view, FIG. 23 is a rear perspective view, and FIGS. 24 through 30 are development views showing the assembly process thereof.

[100] As shown in FIGS. 7 and 8, the frameable postcard according to the third embodiment of the present invention includes a front surface part □, which is blank, or on which a picture or photograph is printed, and a rear surface part, which is divided into a rear upper surface part □ and rear lower surface parts which allow the user to write a message body, a return address and a mailing address on surfaces thereof opposite the front surface part □. The rear surface part is constructed such that, when a rear lower surface part □ is extracted between the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □, a frame support structure is formed, and, when the rear lower surface part □ is retracted to its original state, the frameable postcard is returned to the postcard shape. The frameable postcard further includes a frame part □, which is coupled at opposite edges thereof to the front surface part □ and has a display window 71 in the front surface thereof. In addition, the frame part is open at one end thereof such that a picture or photograph sheet can be inserted into the frame part through the open end thereof.

[101] The rear upper surface part □ is attached at opposite ends thereof to the rear surface of the front surface part □ such that one end thereof is open. The rear lower surface parts are slidably inserted between the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □ through the open end of the rear upper surface part, and include first through fourth surfaces □ through □.

[102] As shown in FIG. 24, the frameable postcard having the above-mentioned construction includes a first paper sheet, which has the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □, and a second paper sheet, which has the frame part □, which is provided with the display window 71, and the rear lower surface parts, which have the first through fourth surface □ through □. Furthermore, folding parts are integrally provided on upper, lower and opposite edges of the frameable postcard.

[103] As such, in the frameable postcard of the present invention, the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □ are made of a single sheet of paper. A folding part ①, which is provided on the first edge of the rear upper surface part, is folded inwards (downwards with respect to the support surface thereof), and folding parts ②, which are provided on opposite edges of the rear upper surface part, are folded inwards and assembled with respective folding parts □ of opposite edges of the front surface part □. The front surface part □ is connected at a first edge thereof to the second edge of the rear upper surface part □. A folding part ③ of a second edge of the front surface part □ is folded outwards (upwards with respect to the support surface thereof). Here, a picture or photograph may be printed on the surface of the front surface part □, or, alternatively, the surface of the front surface part □ can be left blank.

[104] In addition, the frame part □, which has the display window 71 therein, and the rear lower surface parts, which have the first through fourth surfaces □ through □, are made of a single sheet of paper.

[105] Here, in the frame part □, folding parts ⑦ through ⑨, which are provided on respective edges of the display window 71, are folded inwards. Furthermore, folding parts ④ and ⑤, which are provided on the first edge of the frame part, are folded inwards. In the state in which the folding part ③ of the front surface part □, which is folded outwards, is inserted into the folding part ⑨ of the display window 71, the front surface part □ is placed on the frame part □, and the folding parts □ of the opposite edges of the frame part □ are folded inwards.

[106] To prevent the third surface □ and the fourth surface □ from being released from the second surface □ in a state in which folding parts □, which are provided on respective opposite edges of the fourth surface □ of the rear lower surface parts, are folded inwards, folding parts □ are folded inwards onto the folding parts □ such that they overlap each other. In this state, the fourth surface □ is extractably inserted between the folding parts ② of the rear upper surface part □, that is, between the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □. Here, the frameable postcard is constructed such that, when the fourth surface □ is extracted from the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □, the folding parts □ and □, which are provided on the first edge of the fourth surface □, are held at a predetermined position by the folding part ①, which is provided on the first edge of the rear upper surface part □, so that the fourth surface □ is prevented from being completely removed from the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □.

[107] As well, a folding line 81 is formed in the rear lower surface parts to ensure that the rear lower surface parts are folded at an appropriate position, such that, when the fourth surface □ is extracted from the rear upper surface part □ and the front surface part □, the fourth surface □ can serve as a support for the frameable postcard. In addition, the

rear lower surface parts are folded inwards and outwards based on the third surface □ to form a memo paper insert space, into which a business card or a memo paper sheet is inserted. Preferably, the mouth of the memo paper insert space is formed at a position corresponding to the first edge of the rear upper surface part □.

[108] Furthermore, in the frameable postcard of this embodiment, the folding parts ②, which are provided on the respective opposite edges of the rear upper surface part □, may be coupled to the respective folding parts □ of the opposite edges of the frame part □ by inserting protruding ends of the folding parts ② of the rear upper surface part □ into respective insert slits 79, which are formed in the respective folding parts □ of the opposite edges of the frame part □. Alternatively, the folding parts ② of the opposite edges of the rear upper surface part □ may be adhered to the respective folding parts □ of the opposite edges of the frame part □ using an adhesive agent, of course.

[109] Moreover, the frameable postcard of this embodiment further includes a hanging part 73, which is foldably formed at a medial position in the second edge of the rear upper surface part □ and has a hole therein such that the frameable postcard can be hung on a peg.

[110] Hereinafter, a method of assembling the frameable postcard according to the fifth embodiment of the present invention will be explained with reference to FIGS. 24 through 30.

[111] As shown in FIGS. 24 and 25, the folding part ① of the first edge of the rear upper surface part □ is folded inwards, and the folding parts ② of the opposite edges thereof are folded inwards. The folding part ③ of the first edge of the front surface part □ is folded outwards.

[112] Thereafter, the folding parts ⑦ through ⑨, which are provided on the respective edges of the display window 71, are folded inwards. The folding part ④, which is provided on the first edge of the frame part □, is folded inwards, and the folding part ⑤ is also folded inwards.

[113] Subsequently, the third surface □ of the rear lower surface parts is folded inwards around the upper edge thereof, and the fourth surface □ is folded outwards around the lower edge of the third surface □ such that the fourth surface □ is placed above the second surface □.

[114] The folding parts □ of the opposite edges of the fourth surface □ are thereafter folded inwards, and the folding part □ of the first edge of the fourth surface □ is folded outwards.

[115] Thereafter, as shown in FIG. 26, the folding part ③, which is folded outwards around the first edge of the front surface part □, is inserted inside the folding part ⑨ of the corresponding edge of the display window 71 such that they engage with each other, and the front surface part □ is placed on the frame part □. Subsequently, folding

parts □, which are provided on the second edge of the frame part □, are folded inwards.

[116] As shown in FIG. 27, the folding parts □ of the opposite edges of the frame part □ are thereafter folded inwards.

[117] Subsequently, as shown in FIG. 28, folding parts ⑥, which protrude from the respective folding parts □ of the opposite edges of the frame part □, are folded outwards and inserted between the front surface part □ and the folding part ⑤ of the frame part □.

[118] Thereafter, the rear upper surface part □ is folded inwards around the second edge thereof such that it is placed on the front surface part □. The protruding ends of the folding parts ② of the opposite edges of the rear upper surface part □ are thereafter inserted into the respective insert slits 79, which are formed in the respective folding parts □ of the opposite edges of the frame part □.

[119] Subsequently, the folding parts □, which are provided on the respective opposite edges of the first surface □ and the second surface □ of the rear lower surface parts, are folded inwards.

[120] As shown in FIGS. 29 and 30, the rear lower surface parts are folded inwards around the center line of the folding parts □ and around the lower edge of the first surface □.

[121] Thereafter, the rear lower surface parts are folded inwards around the second edge of the frame part □, and the fourth surface □ and the folding parts □ and □ of the fourth surface □ are inserted both between the folding parts ② of the opposite edges of the rear upper surface part □, which are coupled to the respective upper ends of the folding parts □, and between the folding parts □ of the opposite edges of the frame part □, as shown in FIG. 30. Subsequently, the folding part ①, which is folded inwards around the first edge of the rear upper surface part □, engages with the folding part □ of the fourth surface □ of the rear lower surface parts.

[122] Meanwhile, the folding parts ① through □, shown in FIGS. 24 through 30, primarily serve to enable the assembly of the frameable postcard made of paper, and, as well, they serve to prevent the frameable postcard from being undesirably bent.

[123] Although a frameable postcard has been illustrated for illustrative purposes, the present invention may be embodied as a frameable paper card in the same manner.

[124] Furthermore, the frameable postcard of the present invention may have therein a decoration for emitting a fragrance or an addition including an incense pouch. Alternatively, the frameable postcard may be made of paper treated to emit a fragrance.

[125] In addition, the frameable postcard may be configured such that a protrusion, having the shape of an object, such as an animal or plant, is integrally provided on the upper edge or opposite edges of the frameable postcard.

[126] As well, a magnet may be provided in the frameable postcard such that it can be attached to a metal object such as a refrigerator.

[127] Furthermore, the frameable postcard may have an integrated structure such that the protrusion having the shape of an object, animal or plant, is integrally provided on the upper edge or on opposite edges of the frameable postcard.

Industrial Applicability

[128] The present invention is not limited to the embodiments described above, and those skilled in the art will appreciate that various modifications, additions and substitutions are possible. Furthermore, these modifications, additions and substitutions must be regarded as falling within the scope and spirit of the invention as disclosed in the accompanying claims.

Claims

[1] A frameable postcard manufactured by folding paper, comprising:
a front surface part, which is blank, or on which a picture or photograph is printed; and
a rear surface part divided into a rear upper surface part and a rear lower surface part, the rear upper surface part and the rear lower surface part allowing a user to write a message body, a return address and a mailing address on surfaces thereof opposite the front surface part, the rear surface part being constructed such that, when the rear lower surface part is extracted between a first edge of the rear upper surface part and the front surface part, a frame support structure is formed, and, when the rear lower surface part is retracted to an original state thereof, the frameable postcard is returned to a postcard shape.

[2] The frameable postcard according to claim 1, further comprising:
a frame part coupled at opposite edges thereof to the front surface part, with a display window formed in a front surface of the frame part, the frame part being open at one end thereof such that a picture or photograph sheet is inserted into the frame part through the open end thereof.

[3] The frameable postcard according to claim 2, wherein a transparent film is attached to the display window of the frame part.

[4] The frameable postcard according to claim 1, wherein a folding line is formed in the rear lower surface part such that, when the rear lower surface part is extracted between the first edge of the rear upper surface part and the front surface part, the rear lower surface part serves as a frame support.

[5] The frameable postcard according to claim 1, wherein a memo paper insert space is defined by folding a part of the rear lower surface part, so that a business card or memo paper sheet is inserted into the memo paper insert space.

[6] The frameable postcard according to claim 4 or 5, wherein
a handle protrudes from an edge of the memo paper sheet, and
a cut slit extending a predetermined length is formed in the folding line of the rear lower surface part, wherein,
when the memo paper sheet is inserted into the memo paper insert space, the handle of the memo paper sheet is extracted outside through the cut slit.

[7] The frameable postcard according to claim 1, comprising a horizontal frameable postcard or a vertical frameable postcard.

[8] The frameable postcard according to claim 1 or 7, further comprising:
a hanging part formed in an upper edge or a side edge of the frameable postcard such that the frameable postcard is hung on a peg.

[9] The frameable postcard according to claim 1, wherein a protrusion, having a shape of an object, animal or plant, integrally protrudes from an upper edge or a side edge of the frameable postcard.

[10] The frameable postcard according to claim 1, wherein a decoration for emitting a fragrance or an addition including an incense pouch are provided in the frameable postcard.

[11] The frameable postcard according to claim 1, being made of paper treated to emit a fragrance.

[12] The frameable postcard according to claim 1, wherein a magnet is provided in the frameable postcard so that the frameable postcard is attached to metal objects including a refrigerator.

[13] A method of manufacturing a frameable postcard by folding paper, comprising the steps of:

(a) forming a rectangular paper sheet including a rear upper surface part (□), a rear lower surface part having first through fourth surfaces (□) through (□), and a front surface part (□) provided between the rear upper surface part and the rear lower surface part, and forming folding parts on an upper edge, a lower edge and opposite edges of the rectangular paper sheet;

(b) folding a folding part (①), which is provided on a first edge of the rear upper surface part (□), inwards, and folding folding parts (②), which are provided on respective opposite edges of the rear upper surface part (□), inwards;

(c) folding folding parts (③), which are provided on respective opposite edges of the front surface part (□), inwards, and folding the rear lower surface part inwards around an upper edge of the third surface (□) and outwards around a lower edge of the third surface (□) such that the fourth surface (□) is placed on the second surface (□);

(d) folding folding parts (⑤), which are provided on respective opposite edges of the fourth surface (□), inwards, folding folding parts, which are provided on respective opposite edges of the first and second surfaces (□) and (□), inwards, and folding a folding part (⑦), which is provided on a first edge of the fourth surface (□), outwards;

(e) folding the rear upper surface part (□) inwards to place the rear upper surface part (□) on the front surface part (□), and inserting protruding ends of the folding parts (②) of the opposite edges of the rear upper surface part (□) into respective insert slits (60), which are formed in the respective folding parts (③) of the opposite edges of the front surface part (□);

(f) folding the rear lower surface part inwards around center lines of the folding parts (④) of the opposite edges of the first and second surfaces (□) and (□) and

around a lower edge of the first surface (□) such that the fourth surface (□) is placed on the first surface (□); and

(g) folding the rear lower surface part inwards around a lower edge of the front surface part, and inserting the folding part (⑦) and the fourth surface (□) of the rear lower surface part between the front part (□) and the folding parts (②) of the opposite edges of the rear upper surface part (□), which are coupled to upper ends of the respective folding parts (③) of the opposite edges of the front surface part (□), such that the folding part (①), which is folded inwards around the first edge of the rear upper surface part (□), engages with the folding part (⑦) of the rear lower surface part.

[14] The method of manufacturing the frameable postcard according to claim 13, wherein the frameable postcard has:

a first cutting slit (65) formed in a folding line, around which the first and second surfaces (□) and (□) are folded with respect to each other, the first cutting slit (65) extending a predetermined length; and

a second cut slit (66) formed in a folding line, around which the third and fourth surfaces (□) and (□) are folded with respect to each other, the second cut slit (66) extending a predetermined length, wherein

the first and second cut slits (65) and (66) are aligned with each other when a corresponding portion of the rear lower surface part is folded.

[15] The method of manufacturing the frameable postcard according to claim 14, wherein the frameable postcard further has:

a memo paper sheet inserted into an open space between the second and fourth surfaces (□) and (□) of the rear lower surface part, wherein

the memo paper sheet has on an edge thereof a handle to be extracted outside through the first and second cut slits (65) and (66).

[16] A method of manufacturing a frameable postcard by folding paper, comprising the steps of:

(a) forming a first paper sheet including a rear upper surface part (□) and a front surface part (□), and forming a second paper sheet including a frame part (□) having a display window, and a rear lower surface part having first through fourth surfaces (□) through (□);

(b) folding a folding part (①), which is provided on a first edge of the rear upper surface part (□), inwards, folding folding parts (②), which are provided on respective opposite edges of the rear upper surface part (□), inwards, and folding a folding part (③), which is provided on a first edge of the front surface part (□), outwards;

(c) folding folding parts (⑦) through (⑨), which are provided on respective

edges of the display window (71), inwards, and folding folding parts (④) and (⑤), which are provided on a first edge of the frame part (□), inwards;

(d) folding the rear lower surface part inwards around an upper edge of the third surface (□) and outwards around a lower edge of the third surface (□) such that the fourth surface (□) is placed above the second surface (□);

(e) folding folding parts (□), which are provided on respective opposite edges of the fourth surface (□), inwards, and folding a folding part (□), which is provided on a first edge of the fourth surface (□), outwards;

(f) inserting the folding part (③), which is folded outwards around the first edge of the front surface part (□), inside the folding part (⑨) of the corresponding edge of the display window (71) such that the folding part (③) engages with a lower end of the folding part (⑨), placing the front surface part (□) on the frame part (□), and folding folding parts (□), which are provided on a second edge of the frame part (□), inwards;

(g) folding folding parts (□), which are provided on respective opposite edges of the frame part (□), inwards, and folding folding parts (⑥), which protrude from the respective folding parts (□) of the opposite edges of the frame part (□), outwards such that the folding parts (⑥) are inserted between the front surface part (□) and the folding part (⑤) of the frame part (□);

(h) folding the rear upper surface part (□) inwards around a second edge thereof such that the rear upper surface part (□) is placed on the front surface part (□), and inserting protruding ends of the folding parts (②) of the opposite edges of the rear upper surface part (□) into respective insert slits (79), which are formed in the respective folding parts (□) of the opposite edges of the frame part (□);

(i) folding folding parts (□), which are provided on respective opposite edges of the first surface (□) and the second surface (□) of the rear lower surface part, inwards, and folding the rear lower surface parts inwards around center lines of the folding parts (□) and around a lower edge of the first surface (□); and

(j) folding the rear lower surface part inwards around a second edge of the frame part (□), and inserting the fourth surface (□) and the folding parts (□) and (□) of the fourth surface (□) both between the folding parts (②) of the opposite edges of the rear upper surface part (□), which are coupled to respective upper ends of the folding parts (□), and between the folding parts (□) of the opposite edges of the frame part (□), such that the folding part (①), which is folded inwards around the first edge of the rear upper surface part (□), engages with the folding part (□) of the rear lower surface part.

[17] The method of manufacturing the frameable postcard according to claim 16, wherein the frameable postcard has:

a first cutting slit formed in a folding line, around which the first and second surfaces (□) and (□) are folded with respect to each other, the first cutting slit extending a predetermined length; and

a second cut slit formed in a folding line, around which the third and fourth surfaces (□) and (□) are folded with respect to each other, the second cut slit extending a predetermined length, wherein

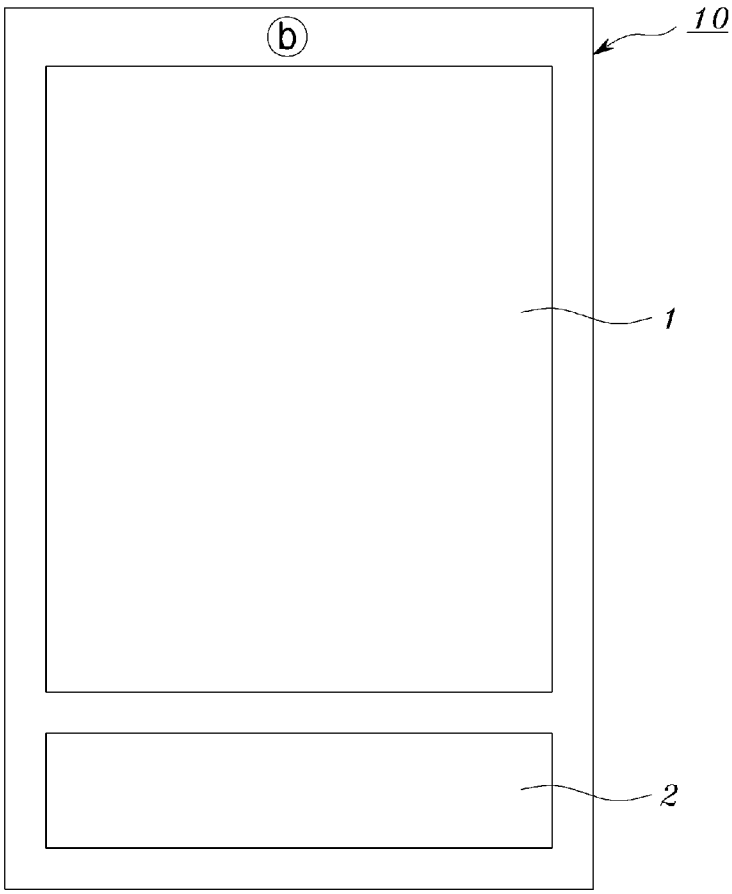
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[18] The method of manufacturing the frameable postcard according to claim 14, wherein the frameable postcard further has:

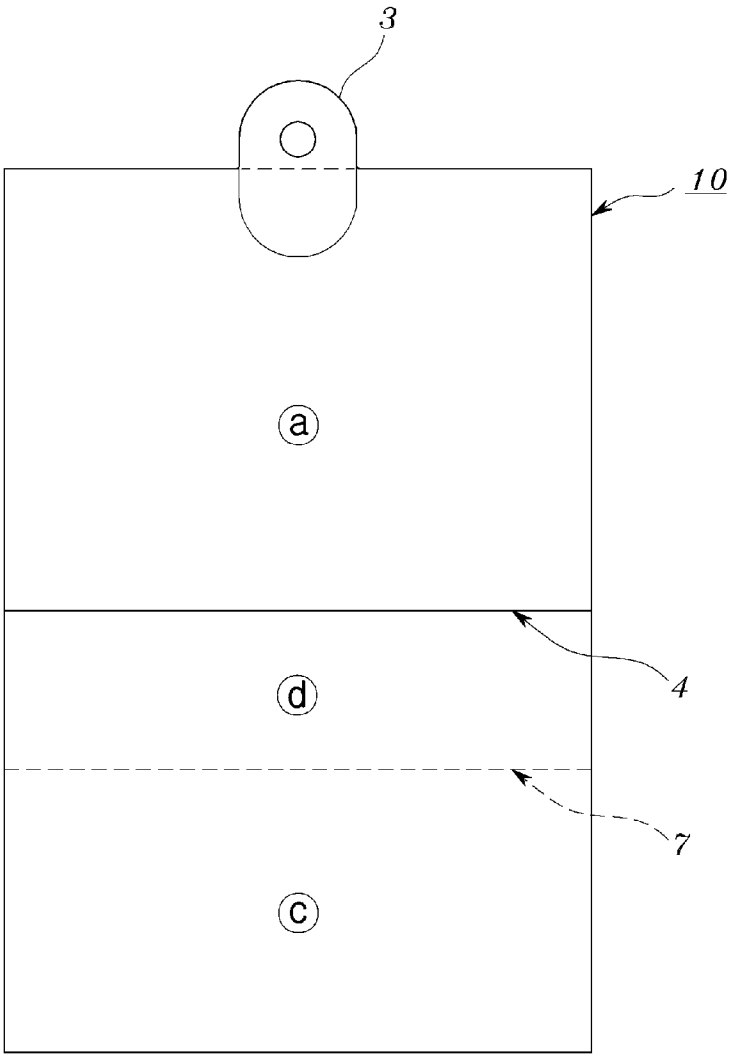
a memo paper sheet inserted into an open space between the second and fourth surfaces (□) and (□) of the rear lower surface part, wherein

the memo paper sheet has on an edge thereof a handle to be extracted outside through the first and second cut slits.

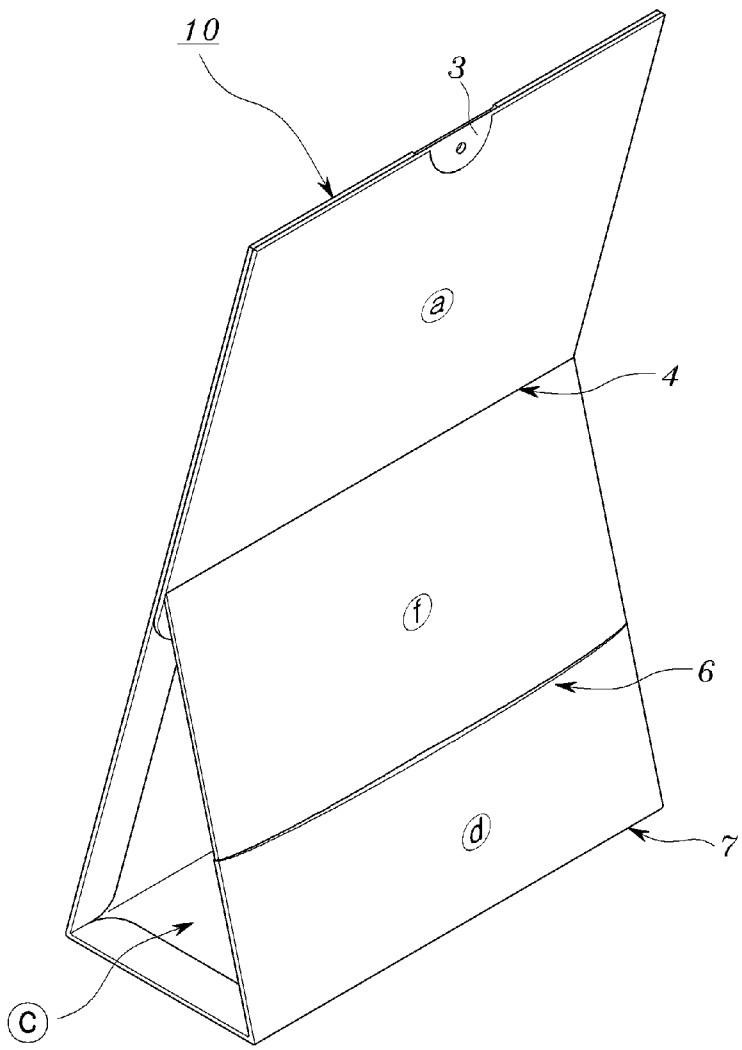
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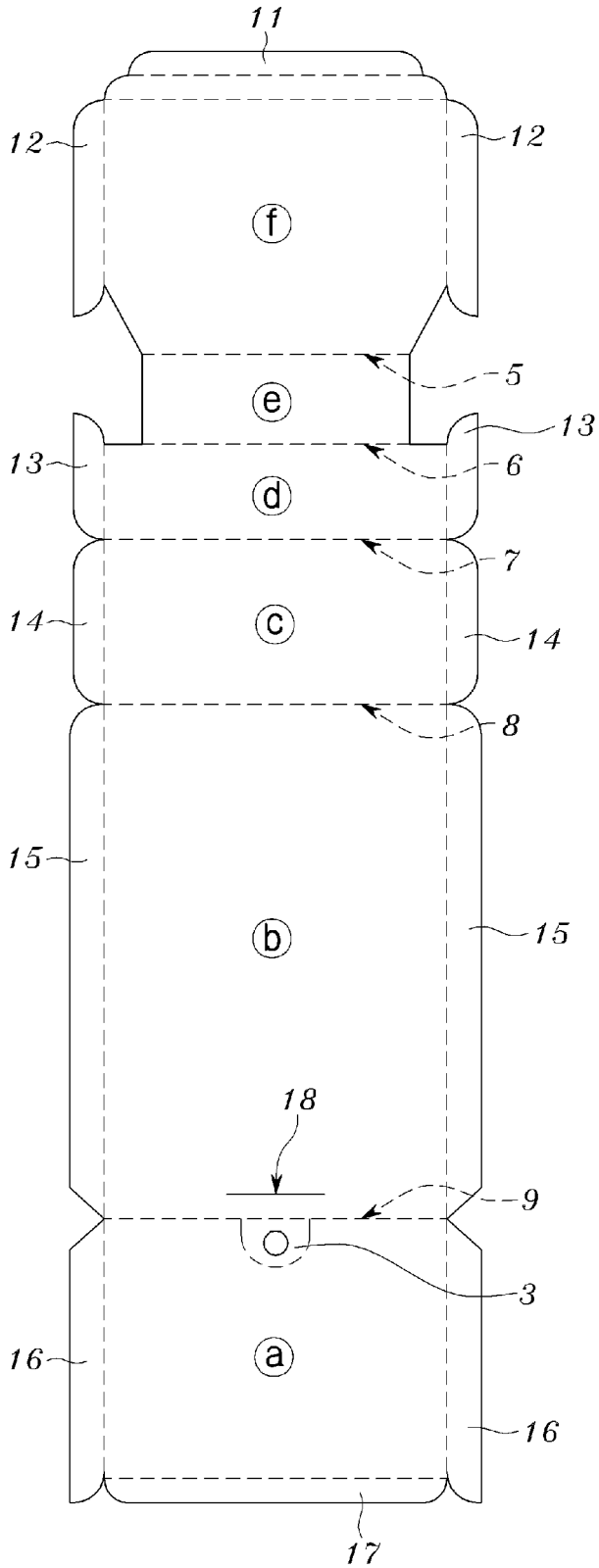
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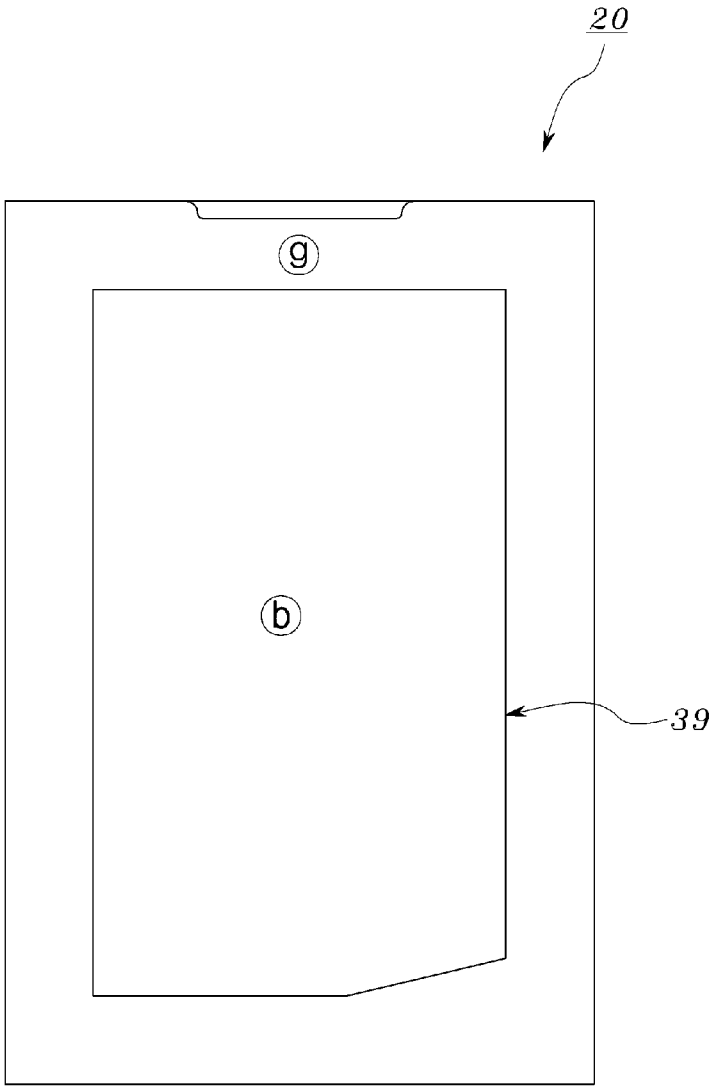
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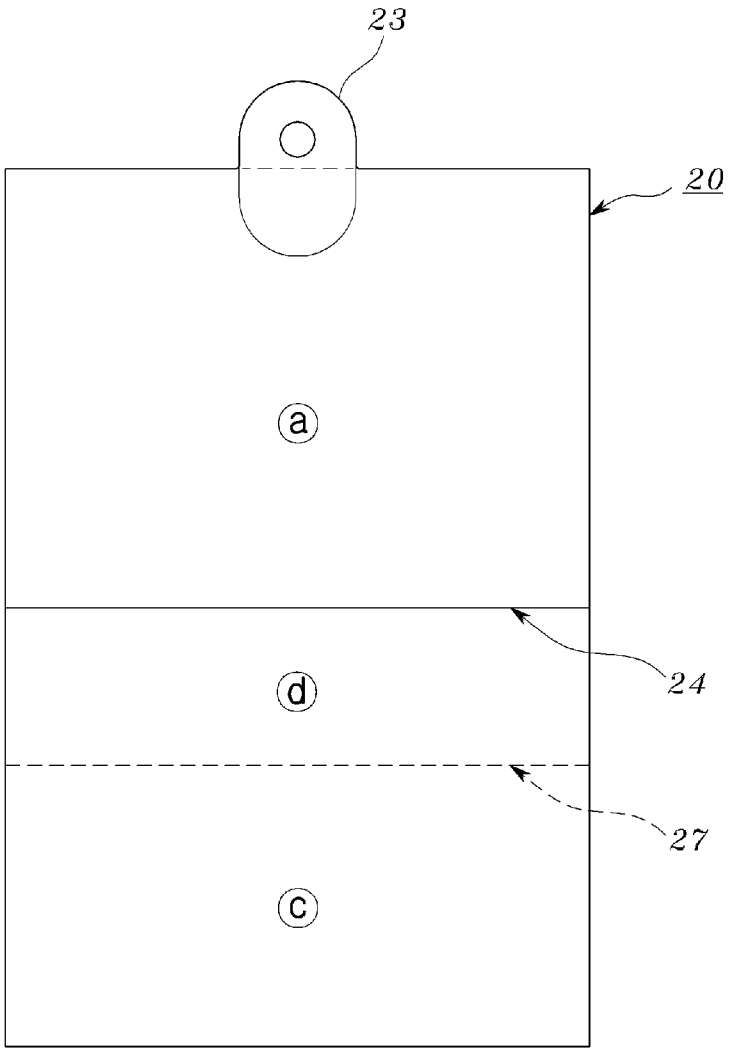
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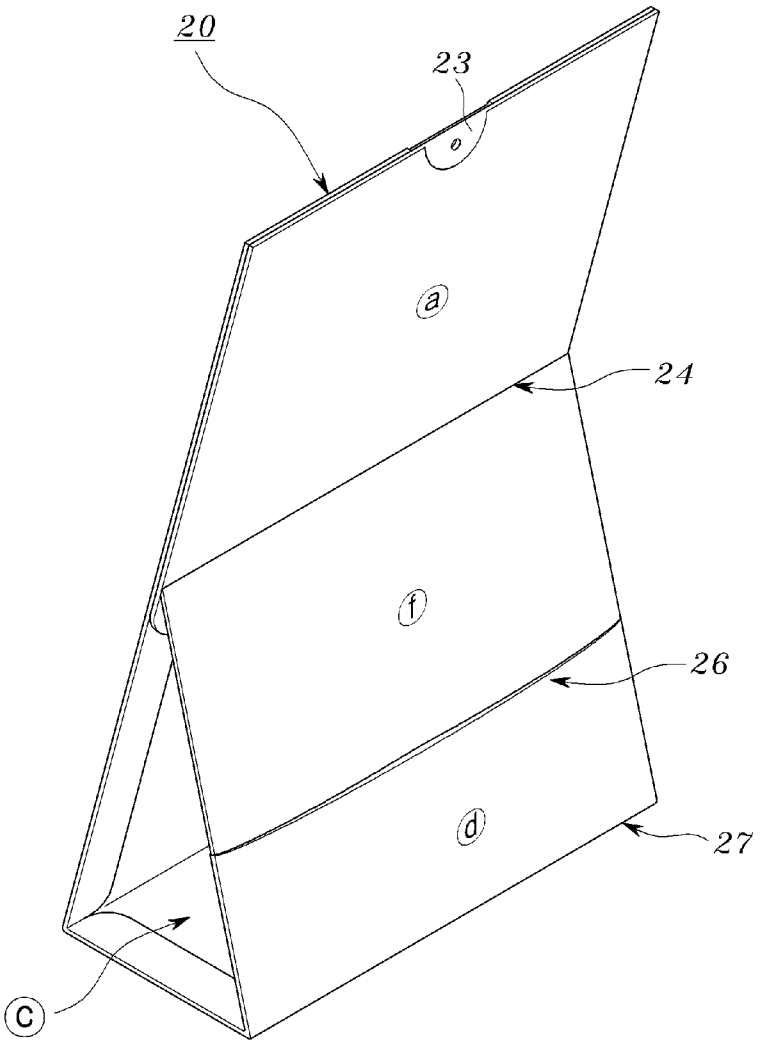
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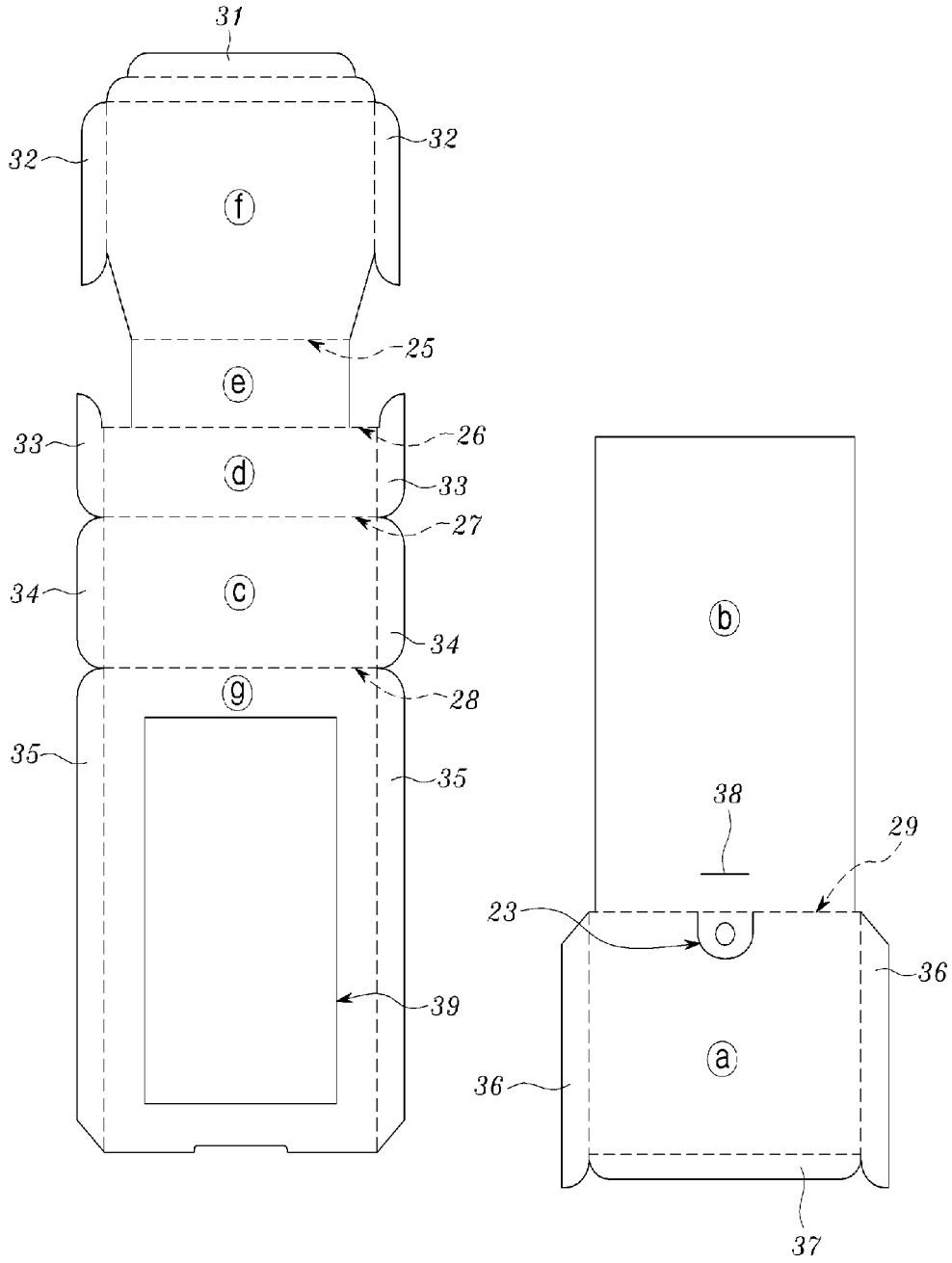
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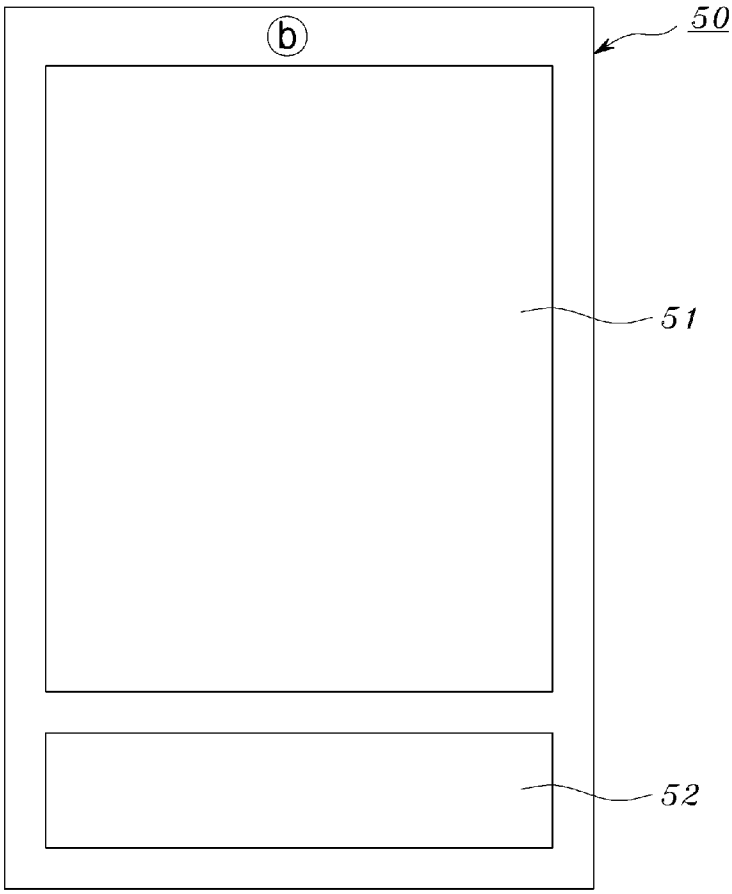
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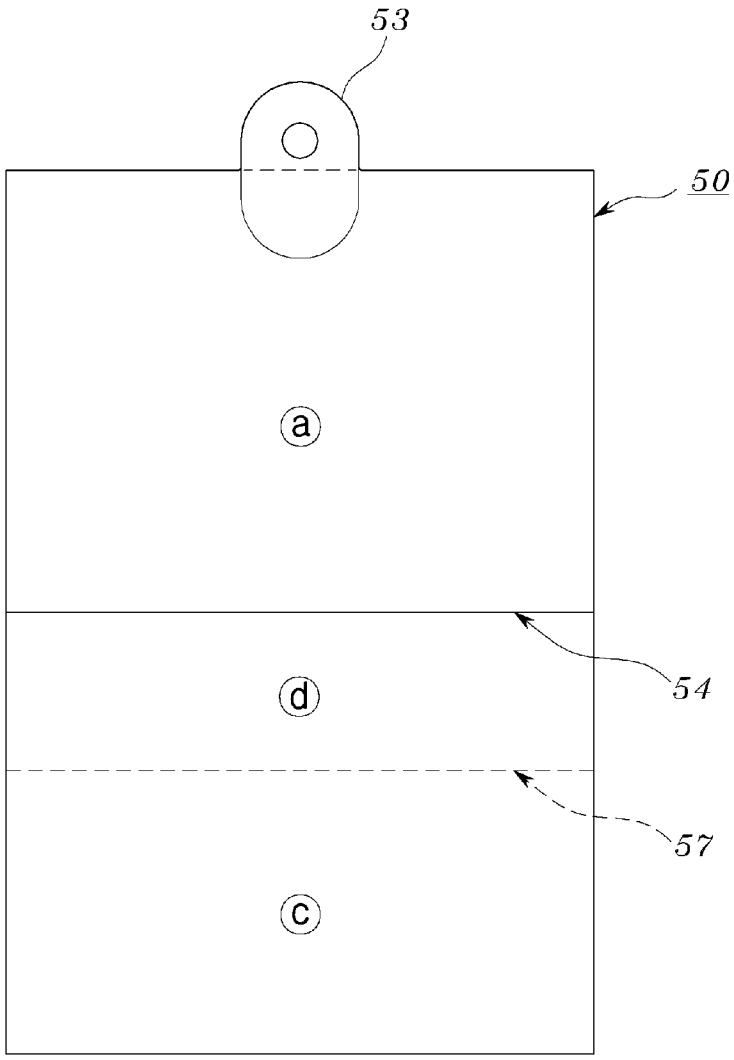
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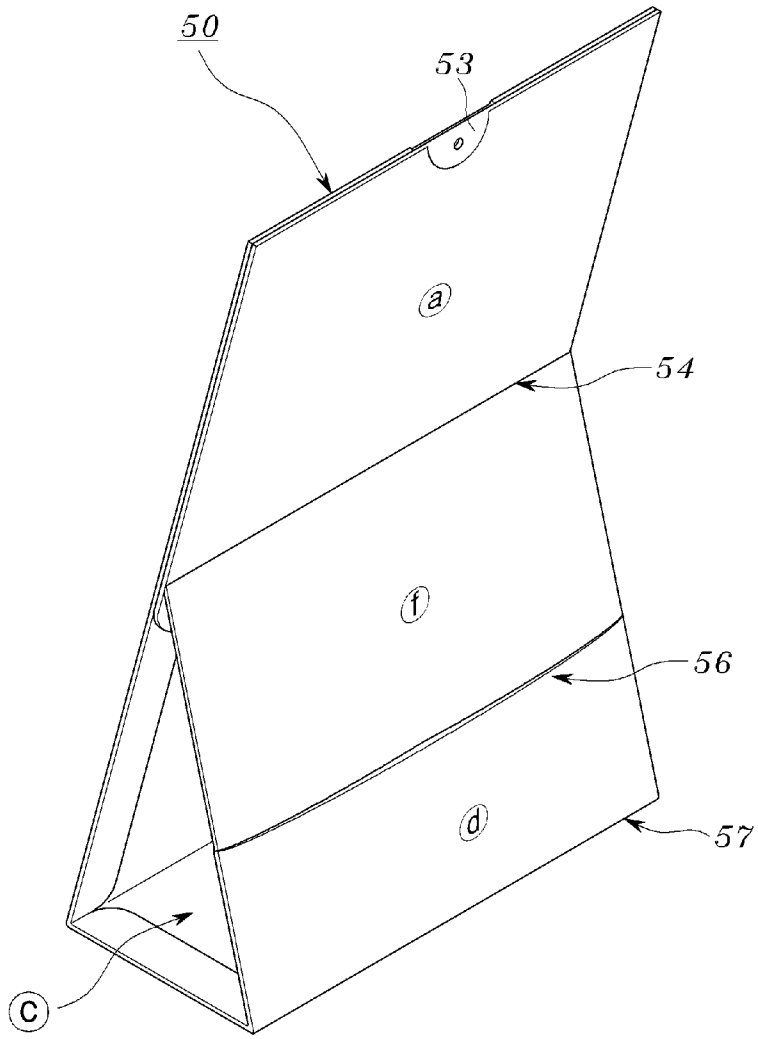
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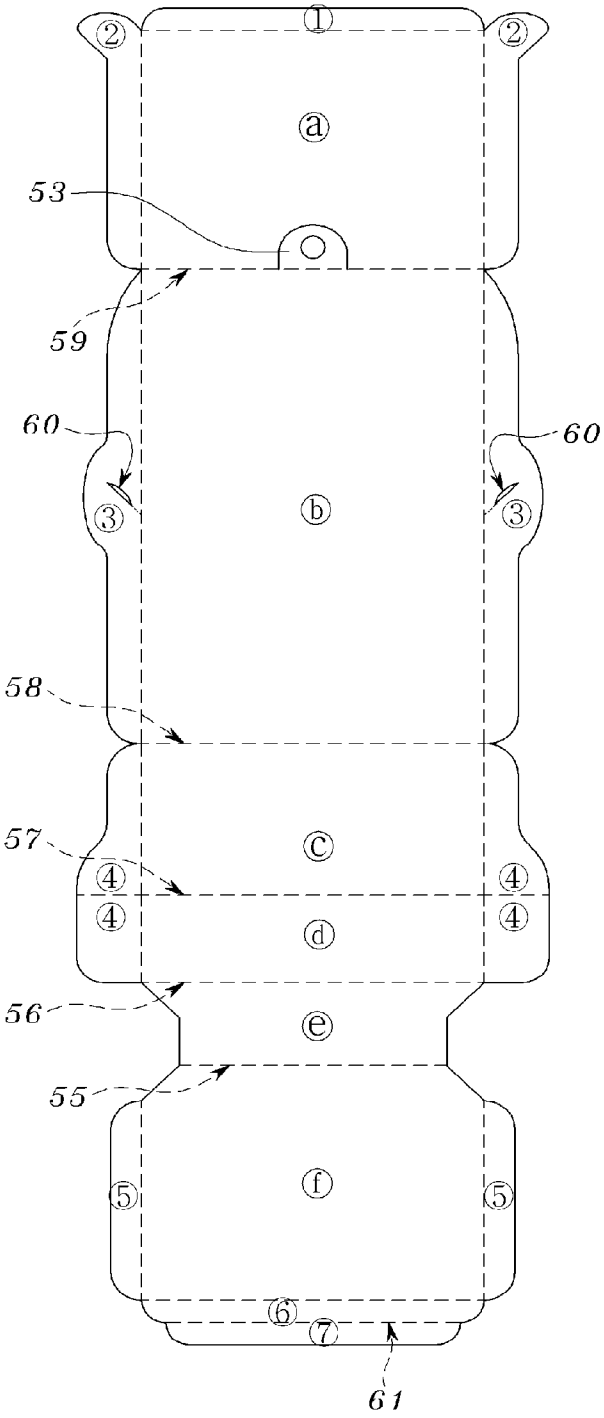
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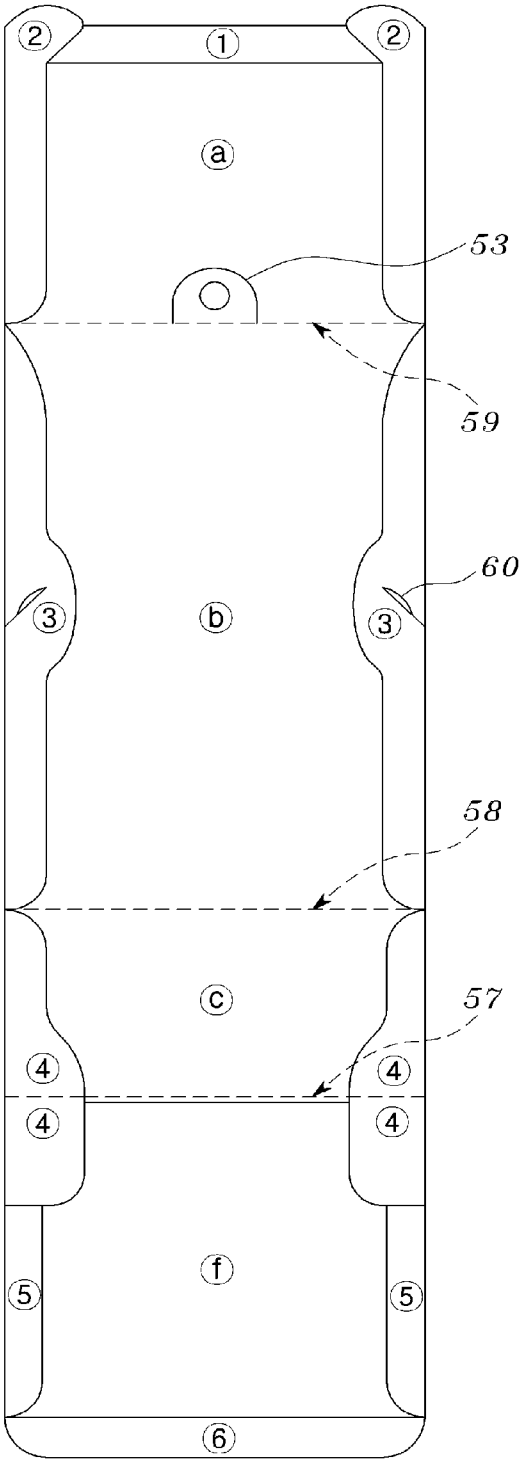
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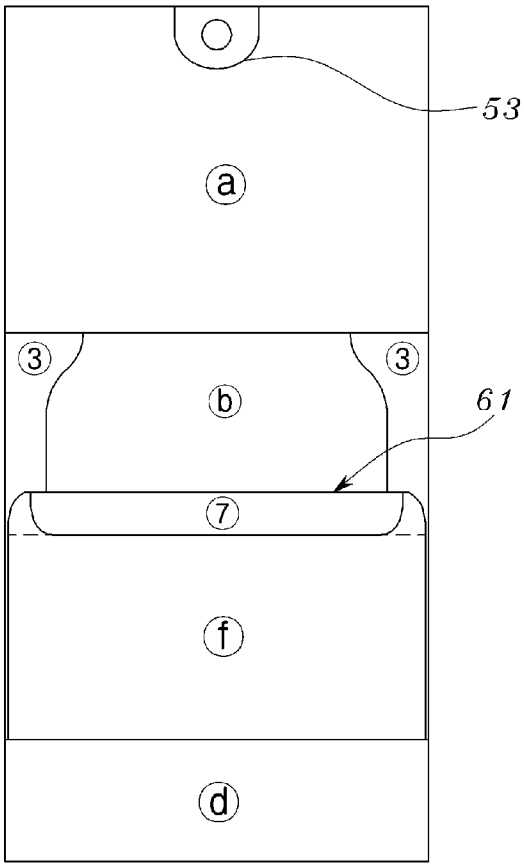
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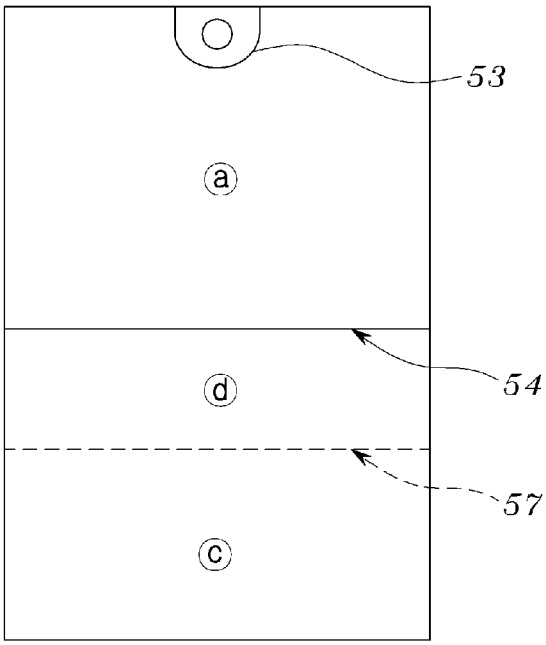
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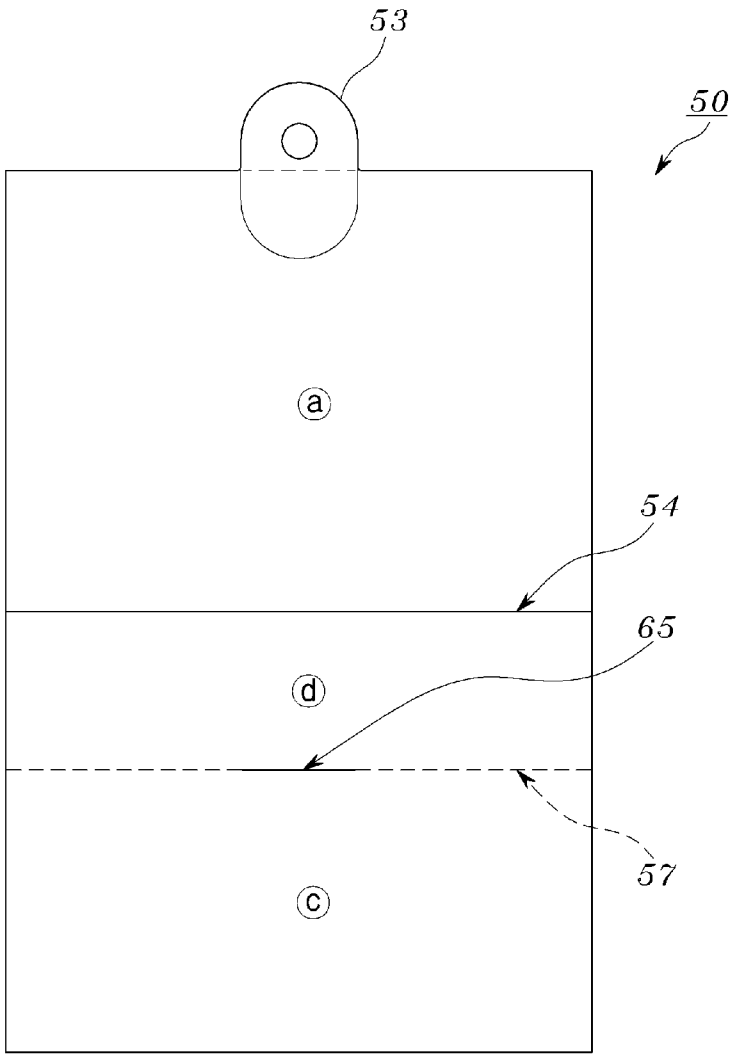
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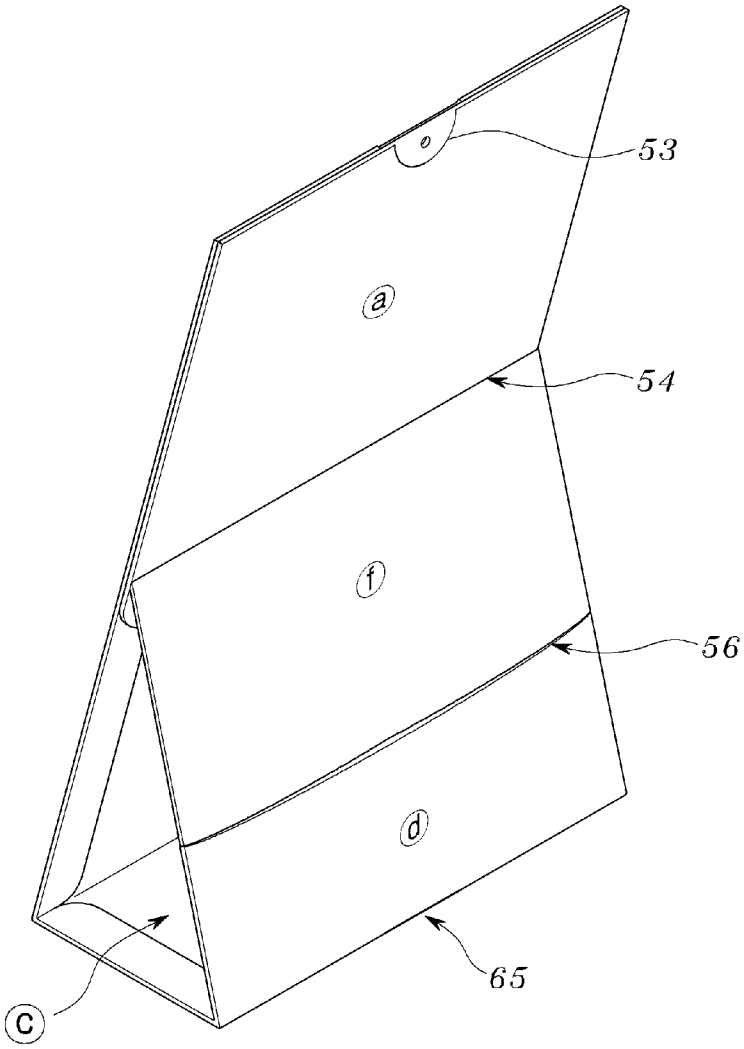
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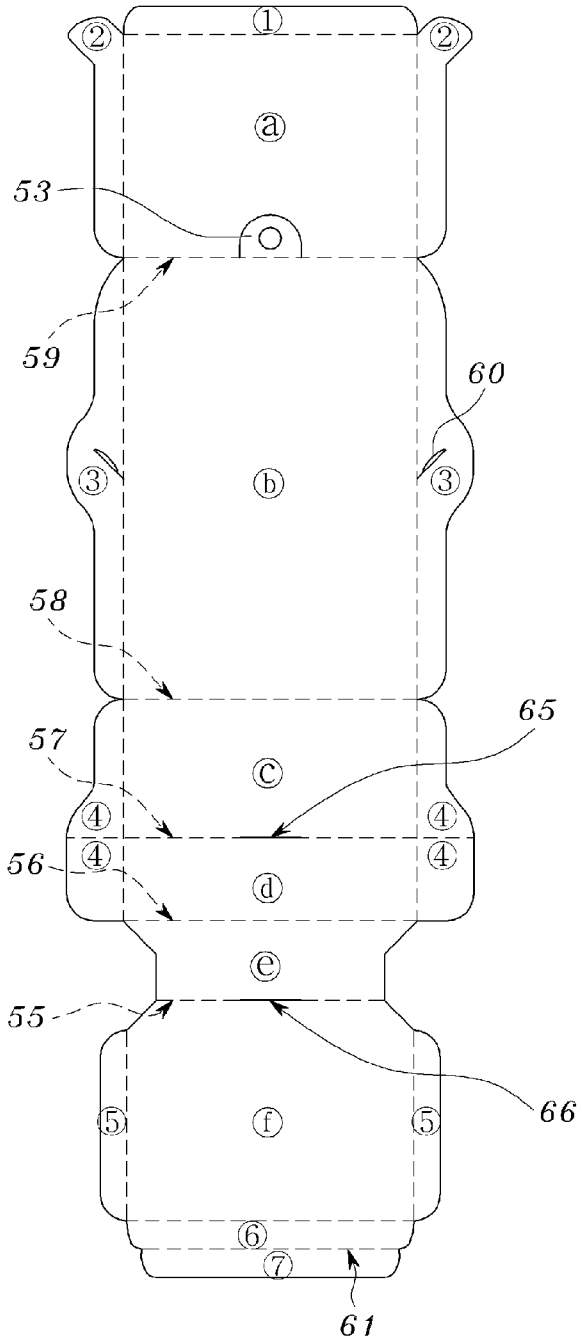
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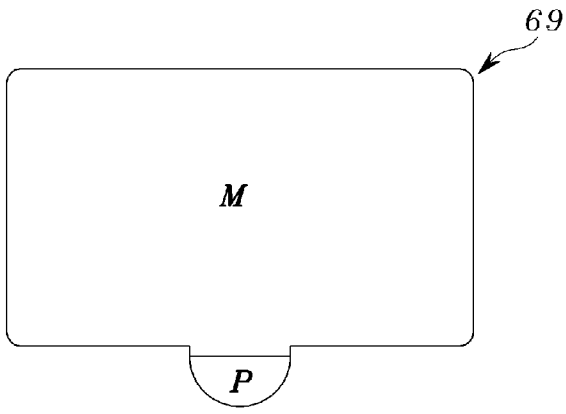
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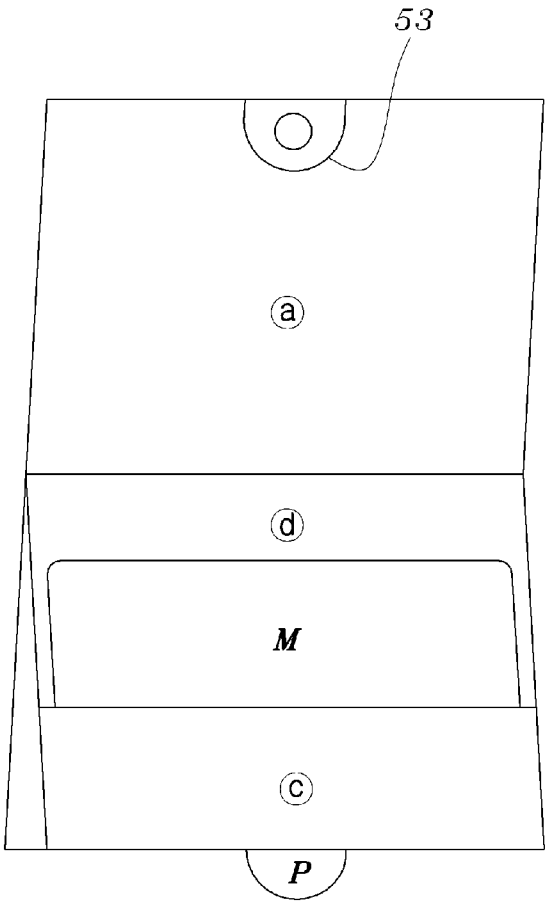
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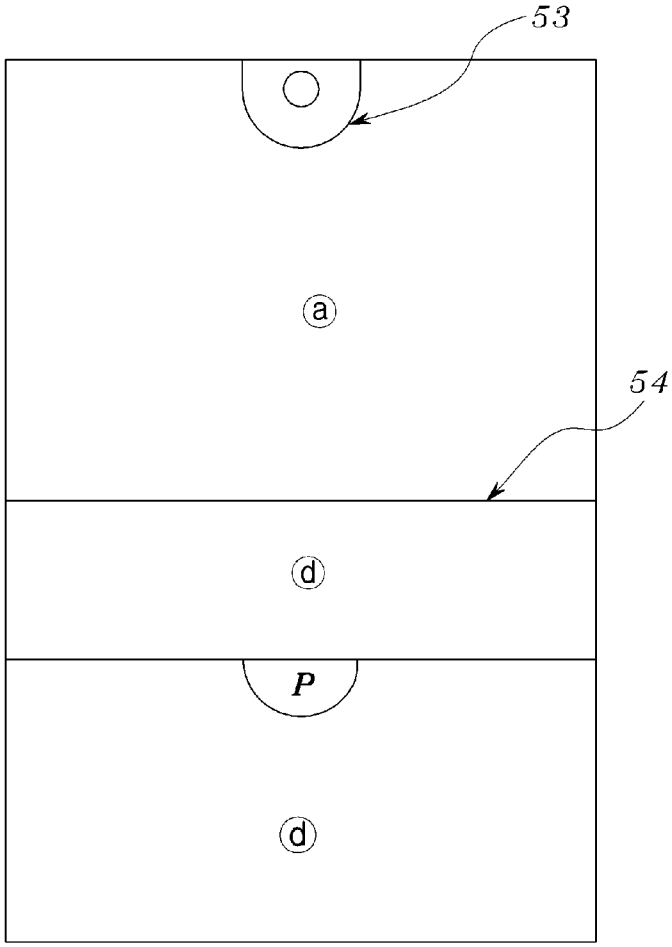
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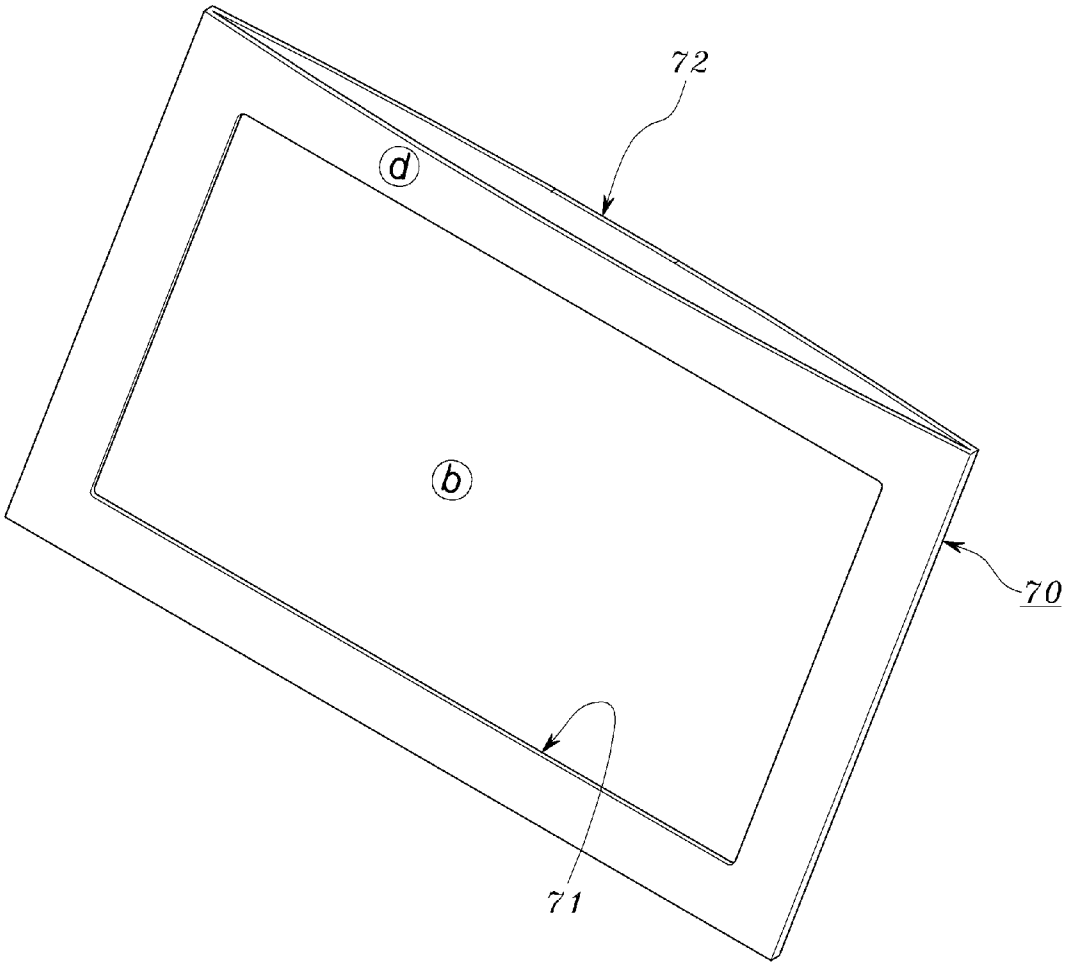
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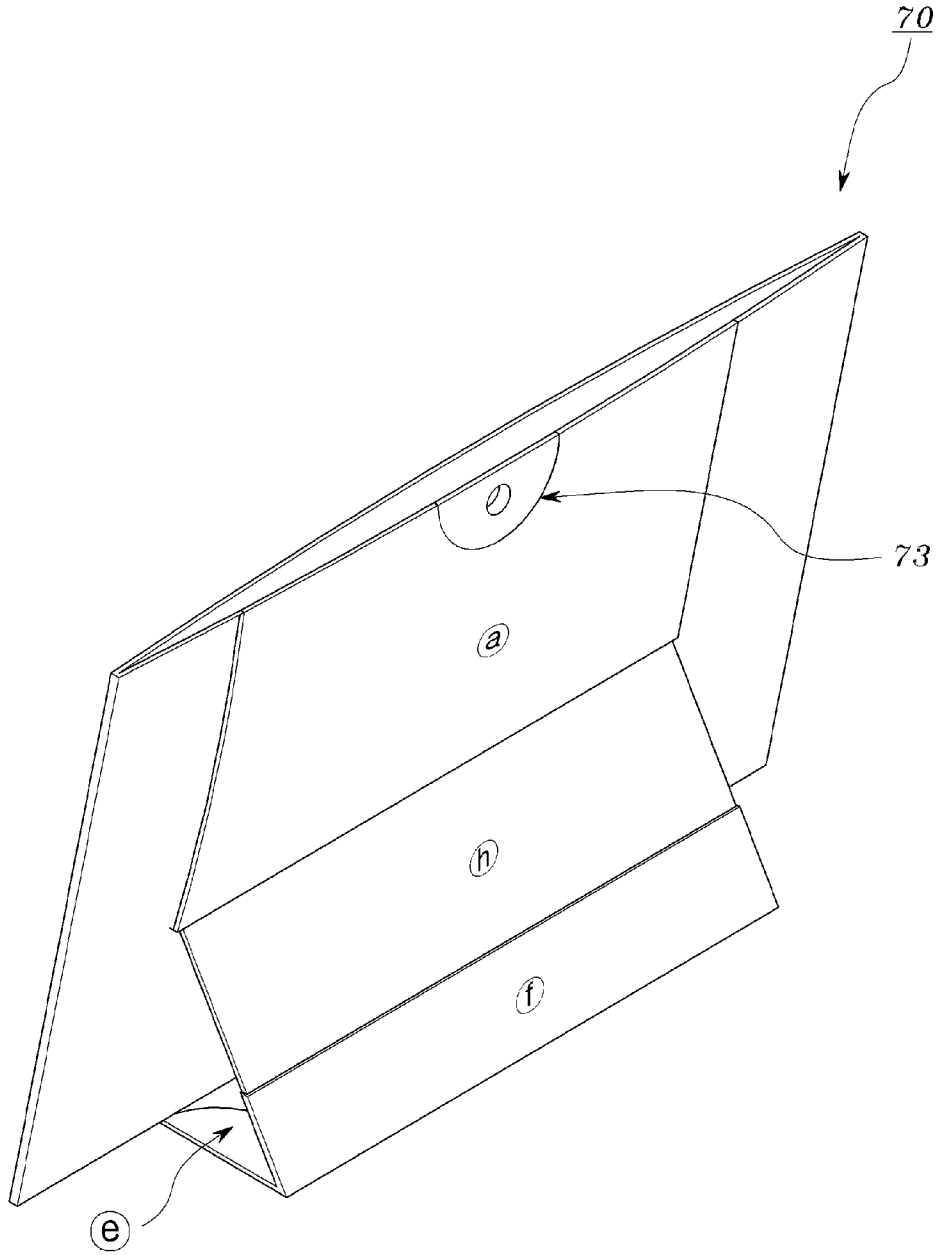
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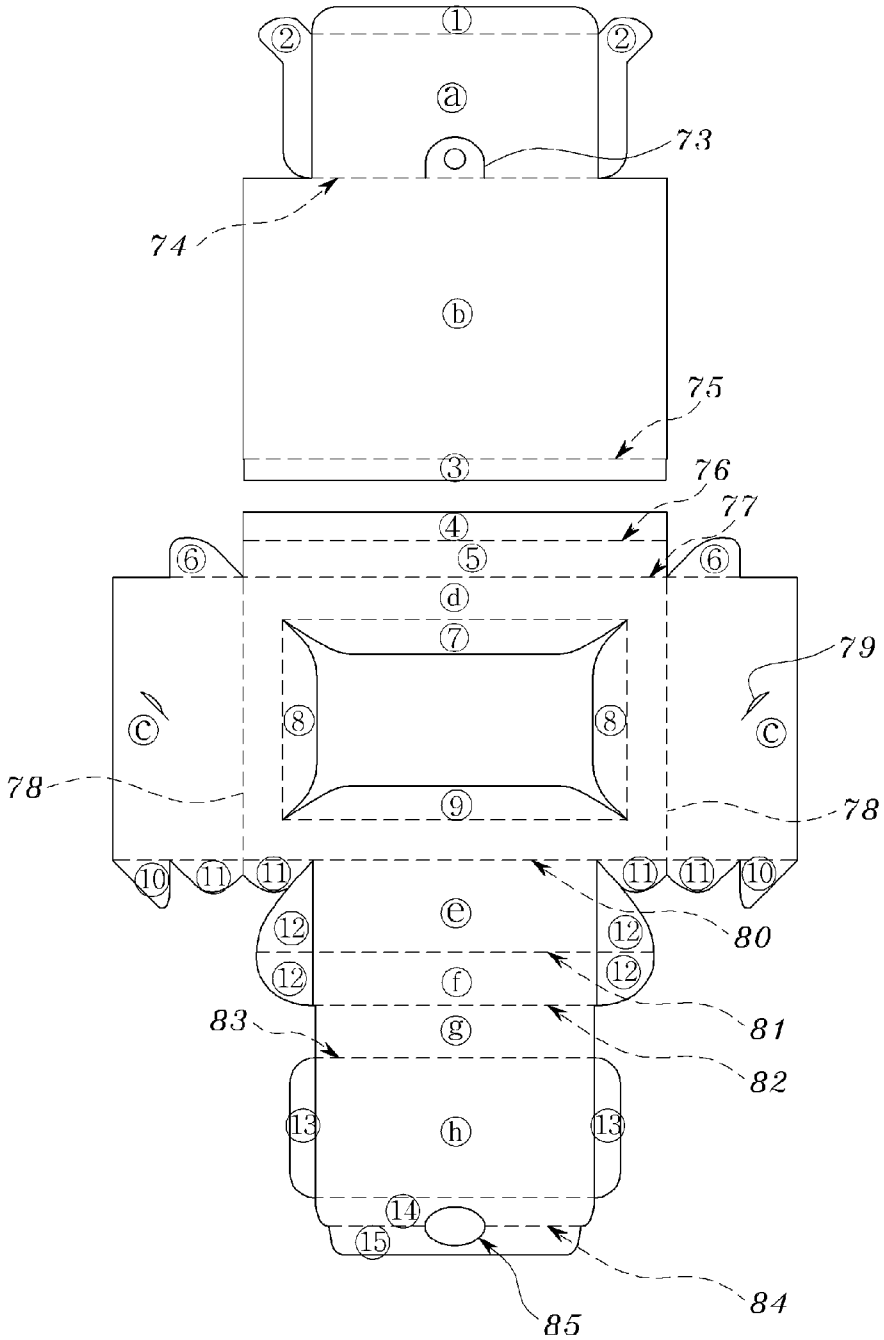
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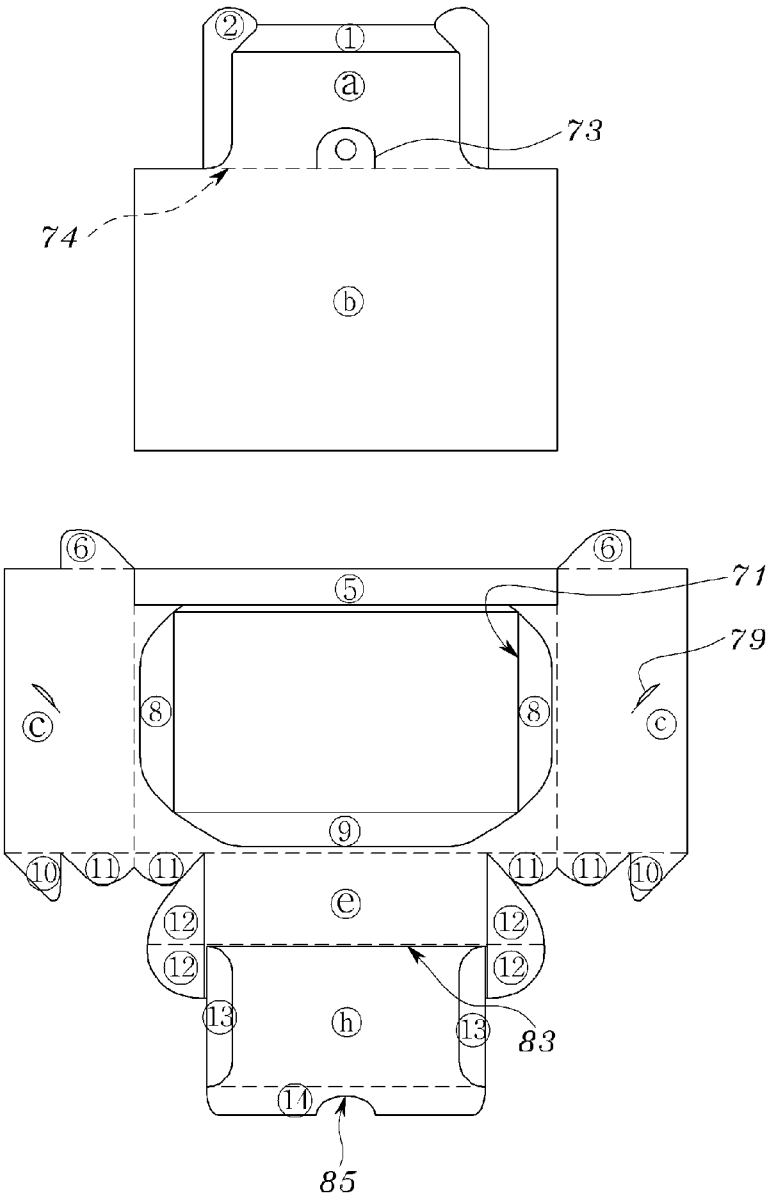
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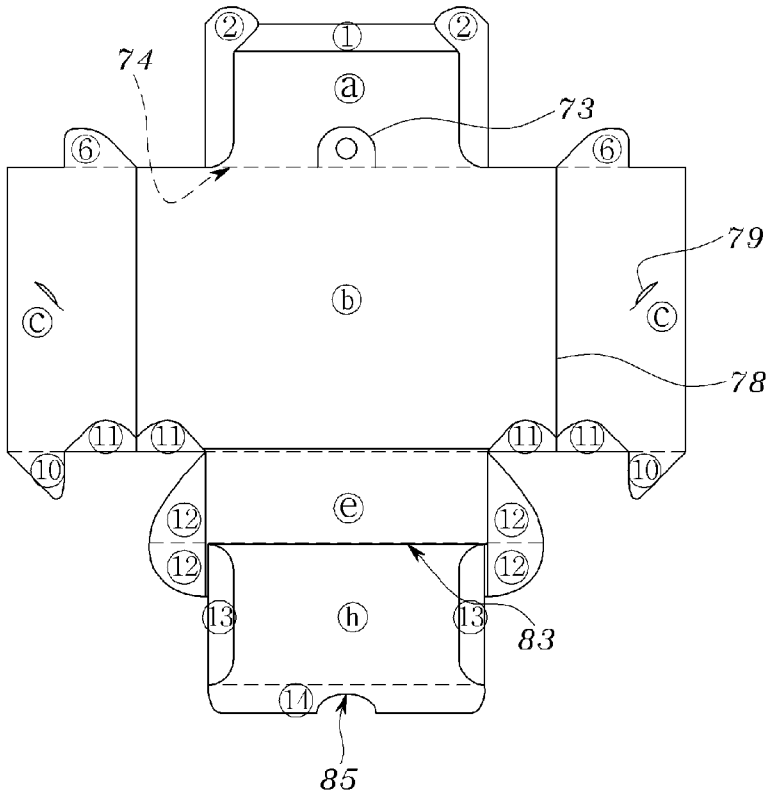
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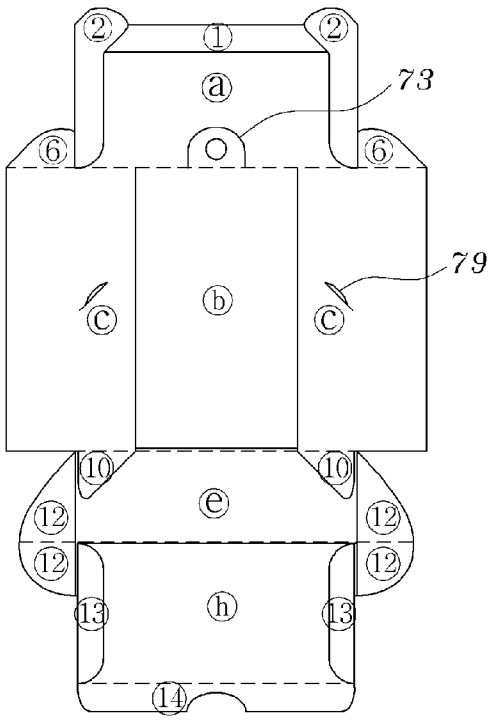
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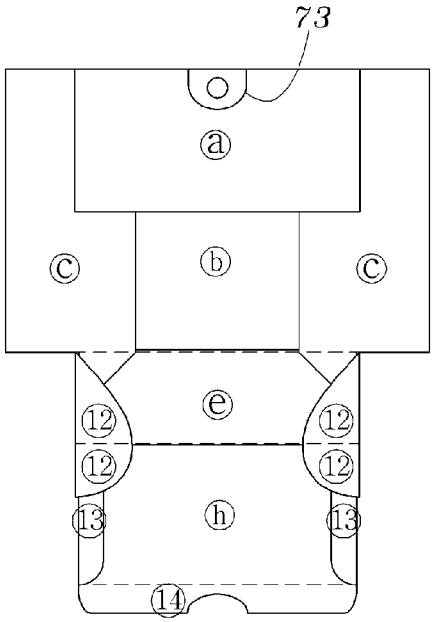
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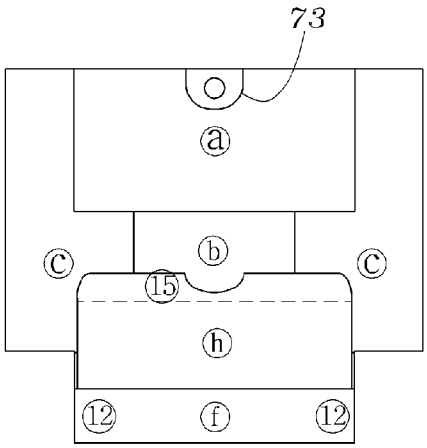
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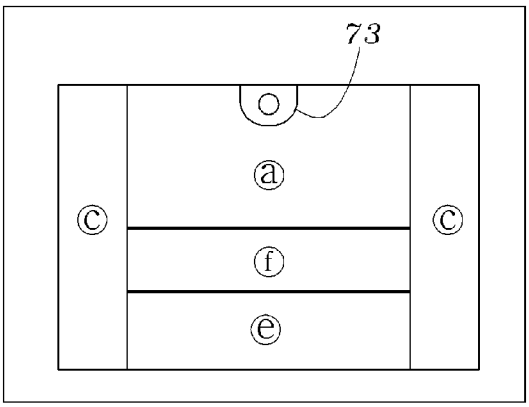
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