

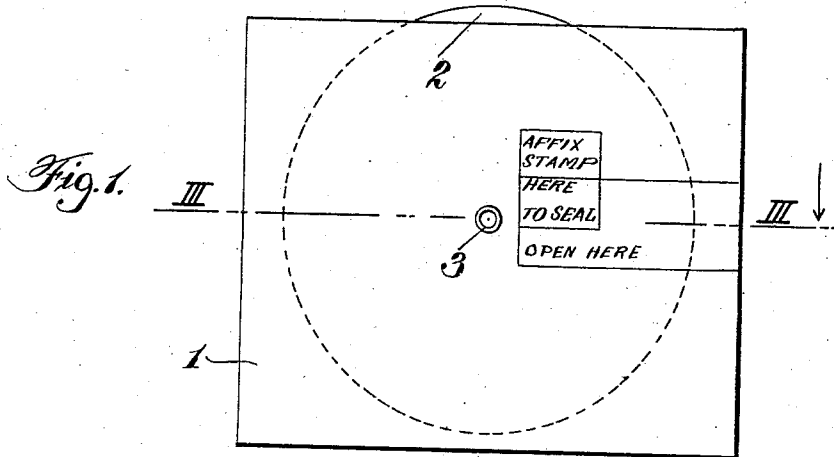
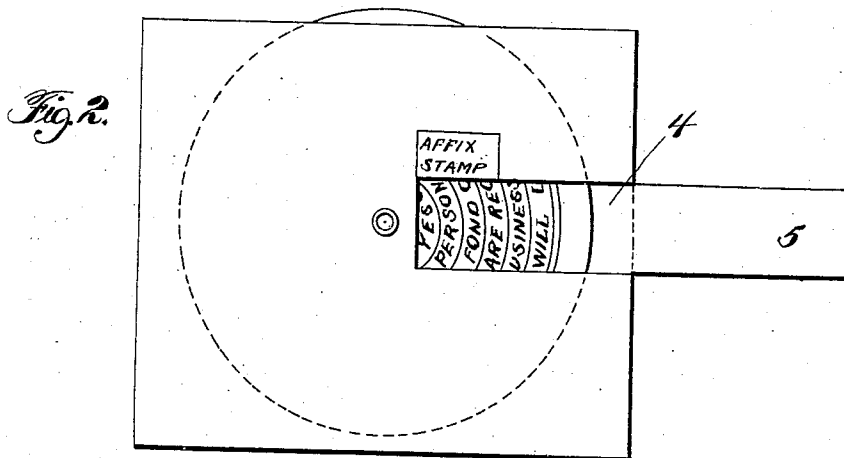
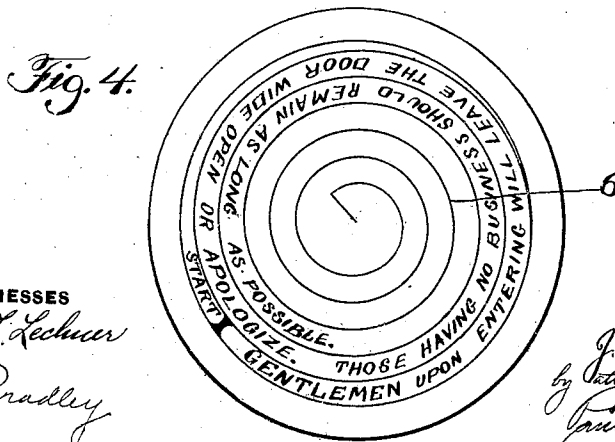
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JAMES P. KEEGAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Somers Center, in the county of Westchester and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Combination Envelop and Inclosure, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to combination envelops and inclosures; and has for its objects; to provide a construction whereby the entire contents of the inclosure may be seen without removing the inclosure from the envelop; to provide an arrangement whereby only a portion of the inclosure may be observed at one time; to provide an arrangement whereby the stamp affixed forms the seal of the envelop; to provide an inclosure wherein the printed or written matter is on one continuous line; and finally, to provide a novel and convenient arrangement of parts designed to attract attention and insure the reading of the inclosure. These and other objects are accomplished by my invention, one embodiment of which is shown in the accompanying drawings, wherein:—

Figure 1 is a plan view of the front of the device, the flap over the reading opening being closed.

Figure 2 is a similar view with the flap open,

Figure 3 is a section on the lines III—III of Figure 1,

Figure 4 is a plan view of the inclosure as it appears when removed from the envelop.

Referring to the drawings, 1 is the envelop, which is preferably made of stiff paper and closed on three of its edges, and 2 is a circular inclosure, which is rotatably mounted in the envelop 1 by means of the eyelet 3, and has one edge projecting through the open edge of the envelop as indicated in Figures 1 and 2, whereby the inclosure may be rotated by the fingers. The envelop is provided with a reading opening 4, which opening is designed to be closed by the flap 5, which flap is held closed in transmission by means of the stamp affixed at the point indicated in Figure 1. As shown in Figure 4 the inclosure is provided with a spiral line 6, and an inscription following such line about in the form of a

spiral. It will be noted that this inscription reads from the left to the right and progresses inwardly towards the center of the part 2. This inscription may be read in its entirety through the opening 4 by commencing at the part marked "start" and gradually rotating the part 2 until the whole length of the spiral has been carried past the opening 4. By providing an opening and a flap 5' on the back of the envelop 1, the rear side of the part 2 may be utilized for an inscription in the same way as the front side. The inclosure may be utilized for printed matter as shown in Figure 4, or the blank space between the lines may be used for script or other symbols as desired, and if desired even pictures might be placed in succession upon the inclosure, and the device be used as a picture-post-card. The printing on the face of the part 2, may be done by a special attachment to a typewriter, or by a specially constructed press.

Having thus described my invention and illustrated its use, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is the following:—

1. In combination, an envelop provided with an opening in one side, and an inclosure rotatably mounted and provided with an inscription arranged spirally to encircle the axis of rotation a plurality of times, all so arranged that the inscription may be made to pass the opening in the side of the envelop by a repeated rotation of the inclosure.

2. In combination, an envelop provided with an opening in one side and a flap for covering the opening in position to be held by the stamp, and an inclosure rotatably mounted and provided with a spiral line for the inscription encircling the axis of rotation a plurality of times, and so arranged that the inscription may be made to pass the opening in the side of the envelop, by a repeated rotation of the inclosure.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name in the presence of the two subscribed witnesses.

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