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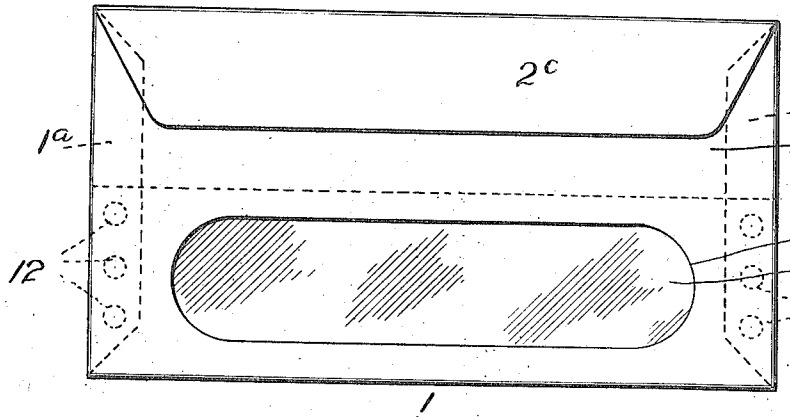


FIG. 1.

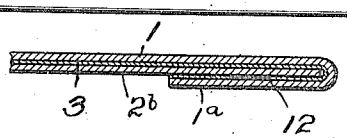


FIG. 2.

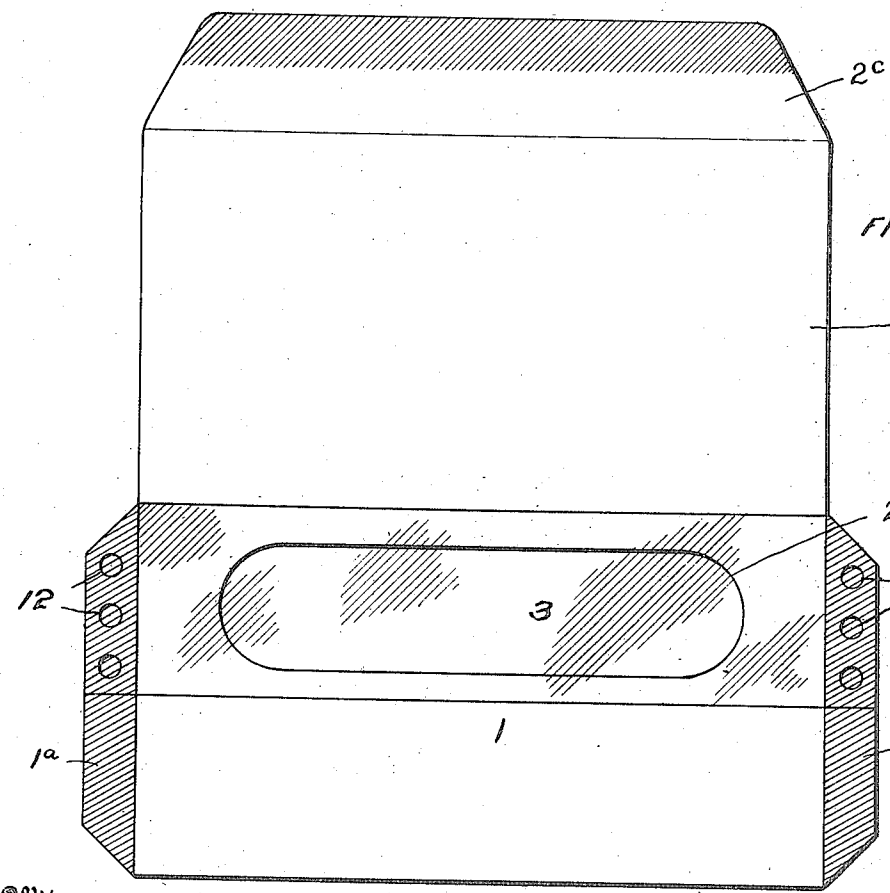


FIG. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES L. BENEDICT, a subject of the King of England, residing at Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, Canada, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Envelops; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention consists in certain novel and useful improvements in window envelops, or envelops which are designed for address bearing inclosures, and are provided with means through which the address upon the inclosure may be read, without breaking the seal and is a continuation in part of my application Serial No. 686,518 filed Mar. 27, 1912.

In the usual form of envelops of this character, the front of the envelop is provided with an opening which is adapted to be covered by a transparent strip of some suitable fabric, which protects the inclosure and through which the address upon said inclosure may be readily deciphered.

It has been found in practice, that in making up these envelops, it is necessary to seal the transparent strip upon the inside of the portion containing the address opening, and over said opening, but that owing to climatic conditions, or defects in the adhesive material used for the purpose, or on account of the oily condition of the transparent fabric, the strip frequently becomes detached from the envelop, and the principal object of my present invention is to afford a means of locking said strip securely in place.

To this end, therefore, I extend the transparent strip over upon the side flaps of the envelop, so that it will be folded with said flaps, and as an additional securing means, I provide the ends of the strip with one or more apertures, through which the side flaps seal onto the main body of the envelop.

In order that my invention may be clearly understood, I have illustrated it in the accompanying drawings, and have described the same with reference thereto in the following specification, pointing out the particular features of invention in the claims at the close thereof.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a front view of an envelop provided with my invention. Fig. 2 is a partial sectional view showing the mode of folding the blank. Fig. 3 is a view of the blank with the transparent strip applied, prior to folding.

1 represents the front portion of my improved envelop, which is provided at its lateral edges with side flaps 1^a and with a window opening 2 and is integrally connected with a back portion 2^b. The back portion 2^b is of greater extent than the depth of the envelop when completed and terminates in a sealing flap 2^c having a suitable adhesive applied thereto for the purpose of sealing the envelop.

3 is a transparent sheet or strip of some suitable material which is adapted to be placed over the window opening upon the interior of the envelop and held in place by a suitable adhesive substance, preferably applied along its edges.

The transparent sheet is of greater length than the envelop and extends over upon the side flaps 1^a as clearly shown in the drawings and folds over with the said side flaps 1^a when the envelop is manufactured.

This mode of applying the transparent strip to the envelop, provides an excellent means of securing the strip in place, in addition to the adhesive substance provided upon the upper and lower edges of the strip, as the extension of the strip upon the side flaps, and the folding of said strip with the flaps, locks this strip in place.

In order, however, to still further insure the permanent securing of the strip to the envelop, I provide the ends of the said strip which project upon the side flaps, with one or more apertures 12, as shown in Fig. 3, through which the adhesive substance with which the side flaps are provided may act to seal the side flaps 1^a directly to the back portion of the envelop, and by which means the strip is securely locked in place.

It will be seen from the foregoing, that although the transparent sheet would be additionally secured in place by simply folding it over with the side flaps, it will be positively locked by the gummed portions of the side flaps opposite the apertures 12, sealing through said apertures upon the back of the envelop.

What I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:—

1. An envelop for an address bearing inclosure, comprising a front and back portion and side flaps, the front portion being provided with an opening through which the address may be read and a transparent sheet

covering said opening, the ends of said transparent sheet extending upon the side flaps and being folded, creased and secured therewith.

2. An envelop for an address bearing inclosure, comprising a front and back portion and side flaps, the front portion being provided with an opening through which the address may be read and a transparent sheet covering said opening and extending upon the side flaps of the envelop, the portions of said sheet which extend upon said side flaps, being perforated, folded and secured with said side flaps.

3. An envelop for an address bearing inclosure, comprising a front and back portion and side flaps, the front portion being provided with an address opening and the side flaps being provided with an adhesive substance, a transparent sheet covering the address opening and extending upon said side flaps, and being folded therewith and provided near its ends with a plurality of apertures, the said side flaps sealing through said apertures and upon a portion of the envelop.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature, in the presence of two witnesses.

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