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Fig. 1.

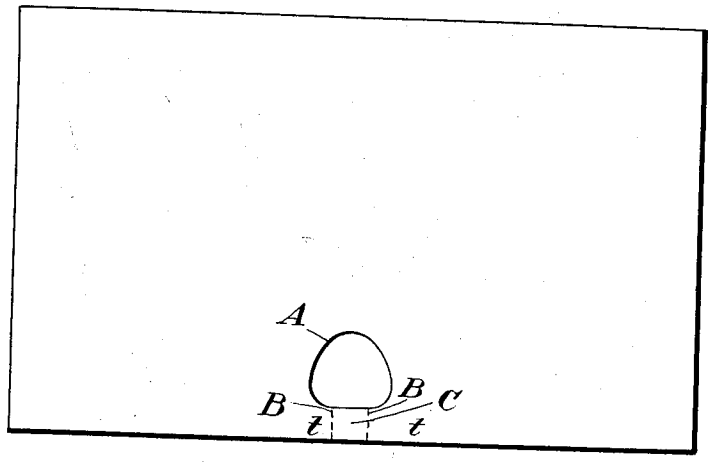
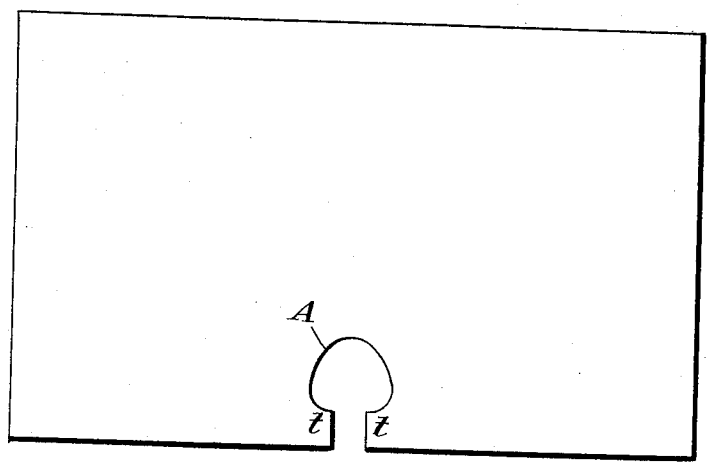


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MYRON S. TELLER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Kingston, in the county of Ulster and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Universal Business Filing-Cards, of which the following is a specification.

This invention has relation to cards contrived for use in index filing-cases and designed to be employed in commerce and trade in the advertising of business, the spread of intelligence relating to schedules, ratings, tests, and other matters sent out periodically with respect to any line of business.

It is the object of the invention to provide a universal business filing-card for the uses mentioned or for any use, whether known of at the present time or not, and to form the card so as to make it likely that it will be used.

The invention consists of a card characterized in its structure by means that will enable it to be fitted in an instant without trouble, to be filed in a standard index filing-case equipped with a rod of standard form and size for locking the cards in place, and so make the card likely of the employment indicated and not of consignment to the waste-basket because of trouble and time in making it ready for use, all as will be hereinafter more fully described and then pointed out with particularity in the subjoined claim.

The drawings hereto annexed form a part of this specification and are to be referred to as such, of which—

Figure 1 is a plan view of my improved filing-card ready for printing, use, or sale. Fig. 2 is a similar view of the same ready to be placed in a card-index filing-case.

The same letters of reference indicate the same parts or features in both views.

As thus far indicated and as shown in the drawings, the card is designed to be used in standard filing-cases; but it will at once appear obvious that it may be used in card-index cases or systems of other than what is properly regarded as standard cases.

A indicates a hole or opening cut or otherwise formed at a proper point in the card for the reception of the locking-rod in a card-index filing-case. If the rod in the case in which it is designed to be filed is not of the standard gage, it will be altered to suit requirements.

B B designate perforated lines in the card, extending from the hole A to the lower edge. While the character of the perforations forming the said lines is such as to permit of the ready removal or tearing out of the piece C when in the use of the card that need be done, they are still sufficiently strong and durable to maintain the piece C in place, so that it may keep the side tabs *t t* in good order and shape for the performance of their functions in the filing-boxes and not be doubled or broken or creased over, and thus injure their usefulness. When the card comes to hand, the recipient need only take hold of it with one hand and by the thumb and finger of the other carefully tear or break out the piece C, when the card may be at once secured on the rod of the card-index filing-case the same as other cards.

It may be that other means than the perforations B B may be employed for sustaining the piece C in place or preserving the tabs *t t* intact before the card is wanted for filing; but such changes would not affect the purposes or functions of the card, and hence would be regarded by me as coming within the bounds of the nature and spirit of my invention.

I have not suggested the character of the printing that may be done on my card, since that may be greatly varied; but it may be said that periodical or other reports of the productions of manufactories or of the productions of the land, market-reports, schedules of prices, or other matter relating to commerce or trade may be used in connection or not with a business card—that is, a portion devoted to advertising individual business or trade or a particular article or class of articles of commerce or trade.

I claim—

A card for use in card-index filing-cases

having a hole cut therein for the reception of the locking and holding rod of the case, and lines of perforations extending from the hole to the edge, to permit a piece or part to be readily torn or broken out, permitting the rod to be placed in said hole, and before removal to subserve the purpose of keeping the said piece or part torn out in place thus preserving intact the tabs at the sides of the said lines.

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

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