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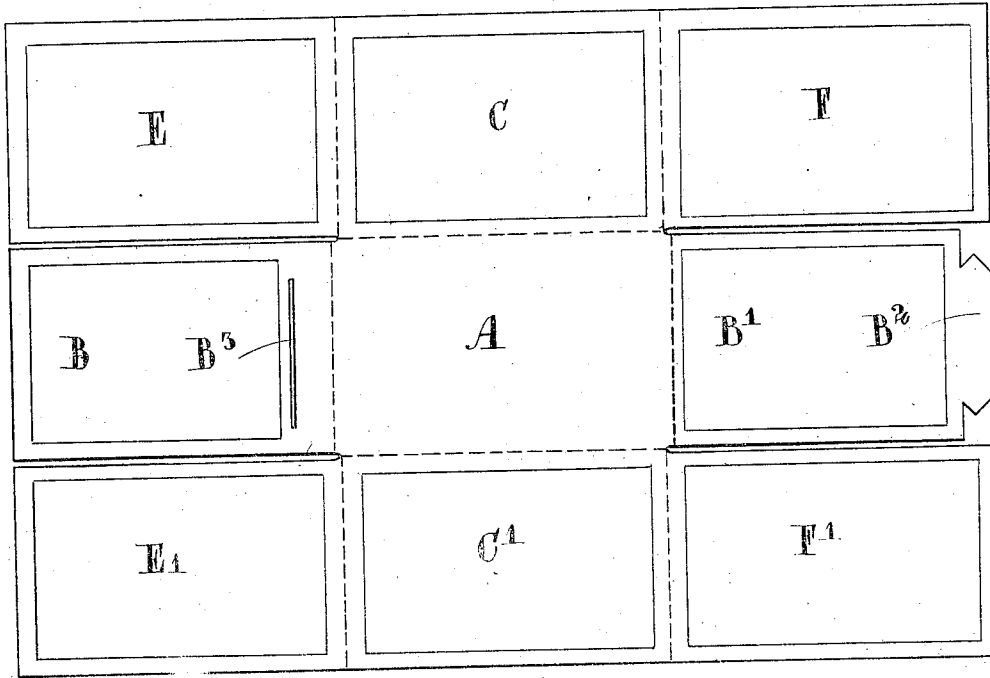


Fig. 1.

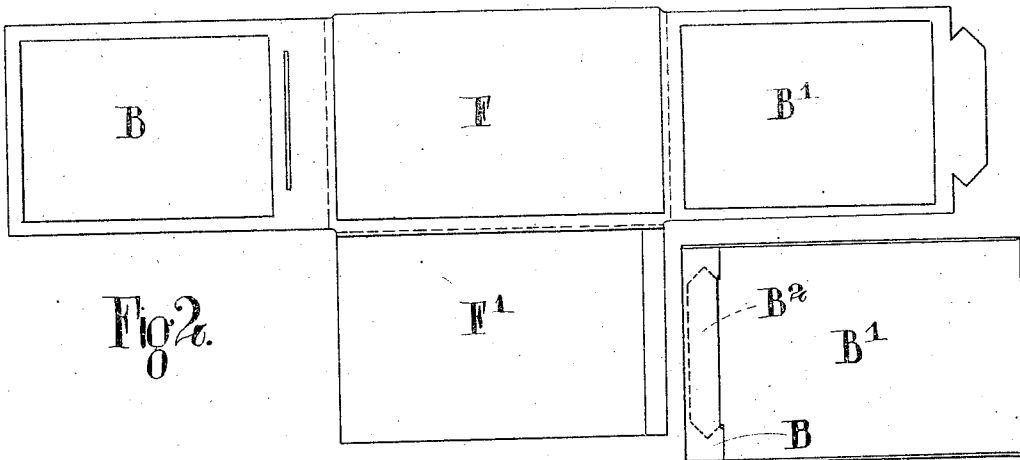


Fig. 2.

Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, RICHARD COLLINS BAKER, a subject of the King of Great Britain, residing at 4 Lloyds avenue, London, E. C., England, have invented a new and useful Post or Letter Card, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to post or letter cards, and has for its object to increase the utility of the same. By this invention it is possible to use the card for a number of purposes additional to that for which an ordinary post or letter card can be used.

According to this invention the card proper is provided with extensions at each side and at the top and bottom, the latter, if necessary, being each provided with side flaps. The flaps and extensions are preferably of about the same dimensions as the central card portion and adapted to be folded together and held in place either by gum or the like or by some simple mechanical fastening, such as a tag and slit.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a plan of one form of card unfolded, while Fig. 2 is a similar view of the same half-folded up. Fig. 3 is a similar view of the same completely folded up.

Like letters indicate like parts in all the views.

The central part A, which is conveniently of about the same size as an ordinary post-card, is provided with extensions B B', which are hinged to it along the dotted lines. At the top and bottom are further extensions C C', each of which has flaps E F E' F'. If desired, the junction between the flaps or extensions may be by perforations along or near the dotted lines, so as to enable any one part to be easily removed and used as a post-card or for any other purpose.

In folding up the card the flaps E F E' F' are folded over on top of the extensions C C' when these two are folded over on top of the central card A and held in place by folding over first the extension B and then that B' and fastening the two either by gum or by a mechanical fastening. For the latter purpose the flap B' may be provided with a tab B² to engage a slit B³ in the extension B.

It will be seen that the dotted lines at the sides of the card A are slightly set out to allow for the increased thickness over which the extensions B B' are finally folded.

It will be seen that by this invention the card can be used for a number of purposes in addition to that of an ordinary post or letter card, while it can in most cases be passed through the post either as a post-card with a mechanical fastening, such as the tag and slit B² B³, or as a letter-card by gumming together the final parts.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

In combination, a central post-card, detachable extensions of post-card dimensions at the top and bottom thereof adapted to fold over the central card, a detachable flap of post-card dimensions at each side thereof adapted to fold over the top and bottom extensions and detachable side extensions of post-card dimensions adapted to fold across the central card, and be fastened together substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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