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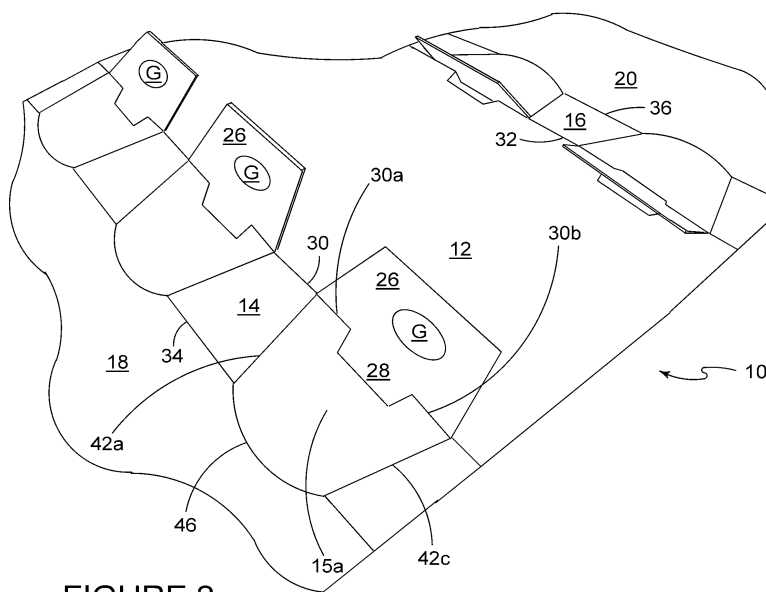
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(54) Carton and blank therefor

(57) A carton for packaging articles (A), which carton comprises a bottom panel (12) hinged to a side panel (18) about a fold line (30), defined within at least of portion of which side panel is a primary tab, which primary tab (26) is hinged to the bottom panel by said fold line, and which primary tab is folded inwardly of the carton so as

to become interposed between some portion of the bottom panel and a base portion of an article (A) that is loaded into the carton, wherein adhesive material (G) is applied to a surface of the primary tab, which surface is in face contacting relation with said base portion, and which adhesive material serves to secure that article within the carton.





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1. claims: 1,2,9-12,17-21

Carton which prevents the relative movement between the articles and the carton.

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2. claims: 3-8,13-16

Carton which facilitates the folding of flaps.

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