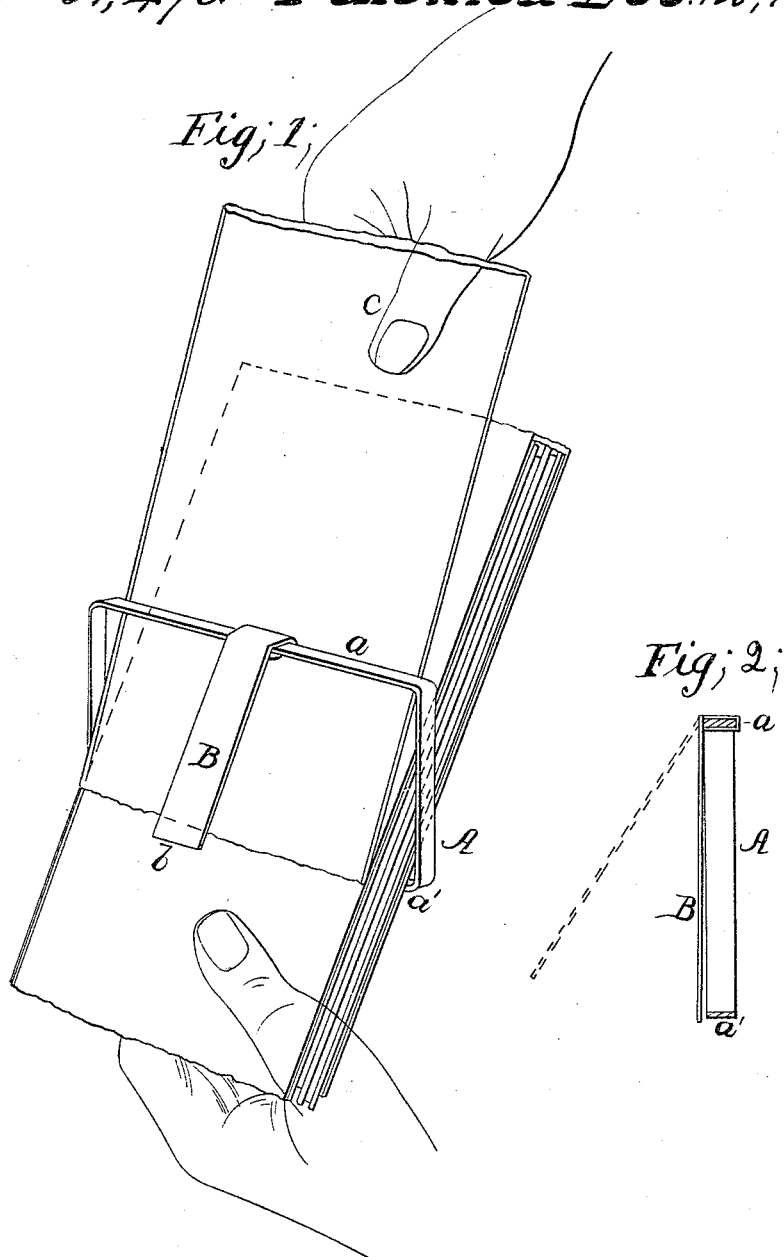


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FILE-HOLDER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, W. C. MCGILL, of Cincinnati, Hamilton county, and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Improvement in File-Holders, of which the following is a full and clear description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.

My invention has reference to a light elastic frame having secured to one of its edges a bar which presses upon whatever article is filed, preventing its escape from the elastic frame.

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of my improved file-holder, in which is secured a number of papers. Fig. 2 is a transverse sectional view of my holder, showing the bar and elastic or spring frame.

A is a light metallic or elastic frame, of which *a* and *a'* are its upper and lower bars. To the upper bar, *a*, and at its central point, is firmly secured the bar B. The free end *b* of bar B presses upon the articles in the file-holder, thus retaining them in the desired form and place.

When a letter or paper, *c*, (shown in Fig. 1,) is to be filed it is passed beneath the bar *a* of frame A and as near as possible to a parallel plane with bar B, thus enabling an easy passage of the article within the frame of the holder. The endeavor to force the paper beneath the free end of bar B causes a development of elasticity in the upper bar, *a*, of frame A. Any number of papers may be filed in frame A, limited only by the upper and lower bars, *a* *a'*.

The frame A may be made of steel or other elastic or springy substance which shall give to the upper bar, *a*, the desired elasticity.

Having described the construction and operation of my improvement in file-holders, I claim—

As an improved article of manufacture, a file-holder made and operating substantially as herein set forth.

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