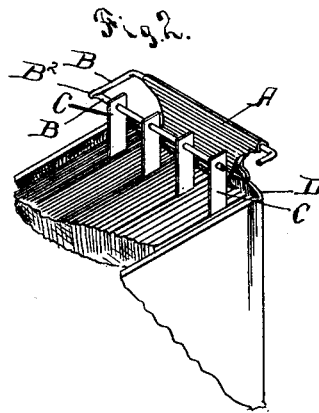
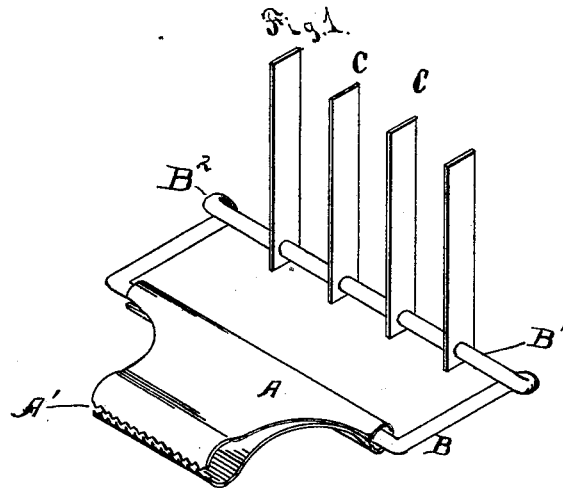


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IMPROVEMENT IN BOOK-MARKS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM J. LYNCH, of Cleveland, in the county of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Book-Marks; 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 pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification.

My invention relates to book-marks; and it consists in the combination, with a suitable clamp and swinging frame, of pendent disks, strips, or slips of suitable material, all constructed, combined, and adapted to operate substantially in the manner hereinafter specified and claimed.

In the drawings, Figure 1 represents one form of many wherein my invention is susceptible of embodiment. Fig. 2 represents the device shown in Fig. 1 as applied to a book, marking four places therein.

In the said drawings, A is a clamp; B, a frame swinging by any suitable connection from the clamp A. C C are pendent strips or slips of metal, ivory, or any suitable material swinging from the frame B.

The clamp A may be made of spring metal, or it may be made of rigid plates hinged together and operated by any suitable spring attachment to act as a clamp in substantially the manner indicated. This clamp is constructed in any suitable manner to grasp the back of the book-cover D, substantially in the manner shown at Fig. 2 of the drawings.

Instead of having serrated edges, as shown at A' of the drawings, these edges may be cushioned, or constructed in any manner to protect the book, while at the same time acting to securely fasten itself to the book.

Fig. 2 of the drawings clearly indicates the mode of application and operation of my device, and it is this: The clamp A is fixed to the back of the book D, which it grasps with sufficient firmness to insure against accidental displacement. The frame B, having a swinging attachment to the frame A, adapts itself

to any position that may be required, and the marking-tablets C C, being allowed a free movement along the bar B' of the frame B, and also being allowed a free swinging movement thereon, can be adjusted between any leaves of the book.

I prefer constructing the frame B in such a manner that the marking-tablets C should not be likely to slip off from the bar B', and to accomplish this any twist or enlargement or stopping device B² may be provided that shall act to retain the marking-tablet C upon the bar B'.

I do not limit myself in any degree to the number or construction of the marking-tablets C. There may be one or more of them provided, and they may be constructed from any material, or in any fashion desired.

My device may be found useful, not only in the reading of an ordinary book, where but one place is desired to be marked, but especially in cases where several references in a single book are to be made. For instance, in an Episcopal prayer-book, the Bible for use in church-service, law reports for attorneys in court-arguments, and like instances.

What I claim is—

1. In combination, with a suitable attaching device, the frame or holder B and one or more marking-tablets, C, substantially as and for the purpose shown.

2. In combination with the frame B, a marking-tablet, C, the stops B² for retaining the marking-tablets upon the bar B', substantially as and for the purpose shown.

3. In combination with one or more marking-tablets, C, and the frame B, the clamping or attaching device A loosely attached to the frame B, substantially as and for the purpose shown.

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

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