

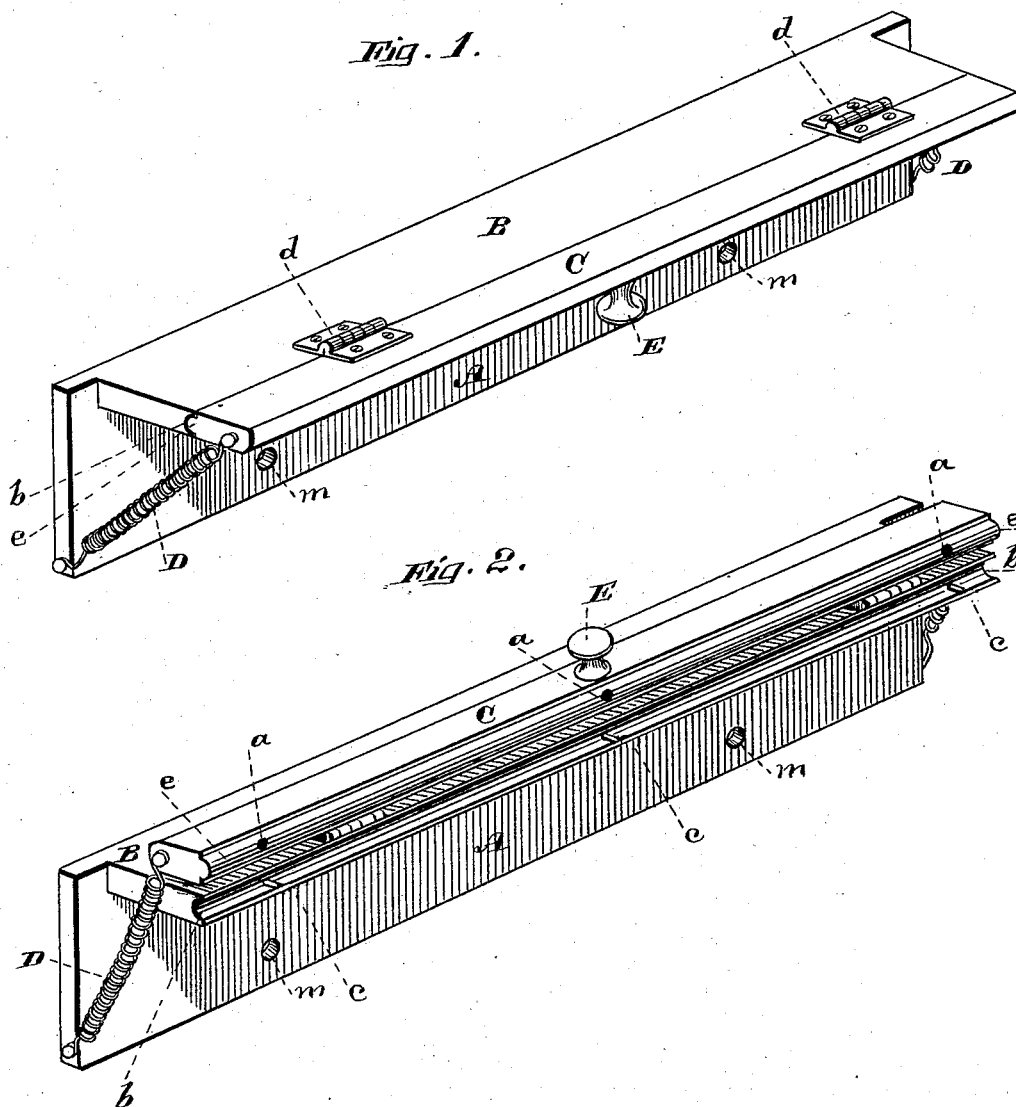
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PAPER-FILE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY H. BLAKE, of Chico, county of Butte, State of California, have invented an Improved Paper-File; and I hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

My invention relates to a new and useful paper-file; and it consists in a stationary pad or stick provided with a groove, and securing-pins adapted to be sustained from a wall by means of a bed-plate, in combination with a swinging pad or stick provided with a tongue, and holes to receive said pins, and hinged to the edge of the stationary pad, with which it is held in relation by means of springs, all of which will hereinafter fully appear.

The object of my invention is to provide a simple and effective means for holding a file of papers, or for securing posters, play-bills, &c., which are usually tacked or pasted upon the walls.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view, showing paper-file closed. Fig. 2 is a perspective of same open.

Let A represent a bed-plate, from the top of which extends at right angles a pad or stick, B. These may be made in one piece, or may be separate pieces secured together. In the face of this pad is made a groove, *b*, in which are outwardly-projecting pins *c*.

C is another pad of equal length and thickness with pad B. It is hinged to the top edge of said pad by means of hinges *d* upon the back. The inner edge of this pad is provided with a tongue, *e*, in which holes *a* are made to receive the pins when the tongue *e* is fitted in groove *b* by the closing of pad C upon pad B.

D are springs secured to the ends of pad C and to the ends of the bed-plate A. These hold pad C down to its place upon pads B; or when said pad C is thrown back they hold it against the back of pad B, thus allowing full access to the pins *c* for inserting the paper or papers.

A small knob or button, E, may be secured to pad C for convenience in opening or closing it.

The use of the device is as follows: It is intended to be secured to the wall, as by screws through holes *m* in the bed-plate A. This

bed-plate rests against the wall and the two pads extend therefrom. When the swinging pad C is thrown back the pins *c* are exposed and the paper or papers may be hung upon them. Then the pad C is drawn forward, its tongue *e* fitting groove *b*, and its holes *a* receiving pins *c*, thus firmly pressing and securing the papers. The springs D hold it tightly in place and prevent it being thrown back, except by intention.

The advantage of the device is its simplicity and effectiveness in holding a file of papers; but its particular advantage is in its use for holding posters, play-bills, and advertising-sheets of all kinds. These are usually tacked upon the wall or pasted—in either case marring the plaster and presenting a bad appearance when removed.

By placing a number of my devices around the walls in suitable places the posters may be inserted or removed with ease and without injuring the wall. They may be made ornamental, as by extending upward the bed-plate in any fancy shape and adapting it to hold advertisements.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A paper-file consisting of the bed-plate A, projecting stationary pad or stick B, provided with pins *c*, swinging pad or stick C, hinged to the front edge of the stationary pad, and provided with holes *a* to receive the pins *c*, and springs D, connecting the swinging pad C with the bed-plate A, to hold said pad to the stationary pad, all arranged substantially as herein described.

2. A paper-file consisting of the bed-plate A, projecting stationary pad or stick B, provided with a groove, *b*, in its face, and pins *c*, swinging pad or stick C, hinged to the front edge of the stationary pad, and provided with a tongue, *e*, and holes *a*, and the springs D, to hold the swinging pad to the stationary pad, all arranged substantially as herein described.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand.
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