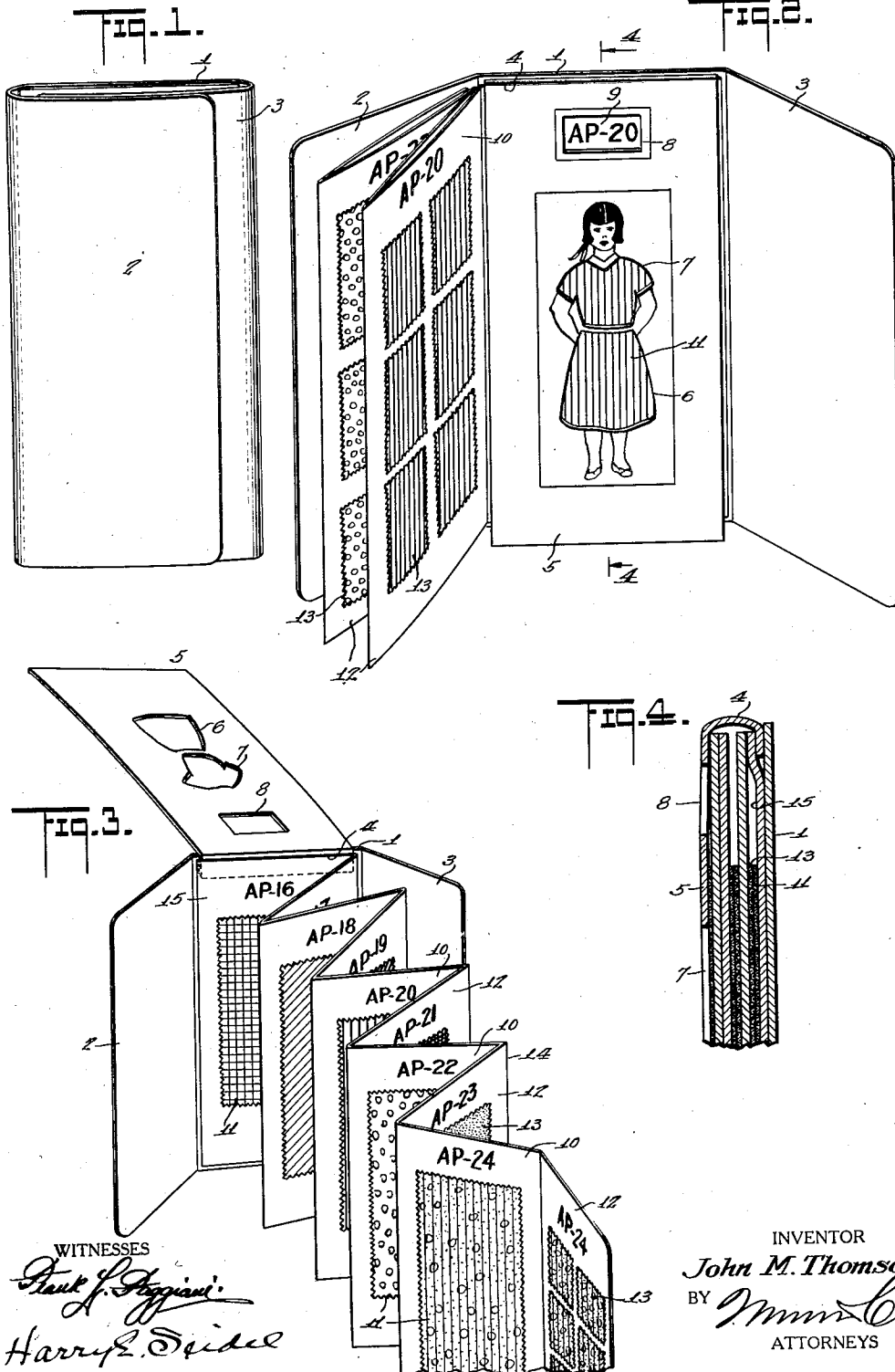


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN M. THOMSON, a citizen of the United States of America, and resident of Nutley, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and Improved Sample-Display Folder, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to sample display folders and has for its object the provision of a compact and simple book-like structure having a display frame cooperating with a plurality of hinged mounted panels for displaying samples on the panels through openings in the frame, the openings being of the configuration of a waist and skirt of a dress.

A further object of the invention is the provision of a book-like structure having a display frame secured at its upper end to the upper end of the book structure and adapted to overlap any one of a plurality of panels covered with sample fabrics, alternate panels being provided with smaller samples of a similar design but disclosing different color schemes of said design.

With the above recited and other objects in view, reference is had to the following specification and drawings in which there is exhibited one example or embodiment of the invention which is in no way intended as a limitation upon the scope of the appended claims as it is to be clearly understood that variations and modifications which properly fall within the scope of said claims may be resorted to when found expedient.

In the drawings—

Figure 1 is a view in elevation of the sample folder folded in a compact unitary structure.

Fig. 2 is a view in perspective of the display folder shown in operative position.

Fig. 3 is a view in perspective of the sample display folder constructed according to the principles of my invention showing a plurality of panels hingedly connected together and connected to the back of the folder.

Fig. 4 is a vertical section of the folder taken along the line 4—4 of Fig. 2.

Referring more particularly to the drawings, 1 designates a back of the folder which is of book-like structure and has a pair of inner and outer covers respectively designated 2 and 3. To the upper edge of the

book as shown at 4 is hingedly connected a display frame 5 having openings 6 and 7 of a configuration to represent a skirt and waist of a dress. The frame is provided with lines indicating the head and remaining portions of a figure and so disclosed relative to the openings 6 and 7 that a complete figure is had.

Above the openings 7 is an elongated opening 8 through which is adapted to appear indicia 9 printed at the upper ends of the panels generally designated by the numeral 10 and which set forth the catalogue number of the fabric mounted on a particular panel. Each of the panels 10 has one face partially covered with a sample of a fabric 11 while the adjacent face of an alternate panel 12 is provided with a plurality of samples 13 which are similar in design to the fabric on panel 10 but having a different color scheme.

It will be thus seen that while the large piece of fabric 11 discloses one form of the fabric the panel 12 displays a plurality of samples of similar design but displaying the various color schemes of which the design is applicable. Each of the panels is hingedly connected as shown at 14 to an adjacent panel except the outer panel and the inner panel 15 the outer panel being free while the inner panel 15 is secured in flat engagement with the back 1 of the folder. Both faces of a panel are provided with samples of various fabrics thereby providing for a great quantity of samples carried by the booklet.

In order to display any sample it is only necessary to place a panel 10 in flat engagement with the back 1 when the frame 5 which would be normally placed in the position shown in Fig. 3 while arranging the particular sample is moved downwardly on its hinged connection at 4 and placed over the sample so that the fabric will appear through the openings 6 and 7.

The panel 15 is so secured to the back 1 that the large samples may be readily positioned against the back for cooperating with the frame 5 to display the samples through the openings.

I claim:

1. A sample display folder comprising a back, covers hingedly connected to the longitudinal edges of the back, a display frame hinged at its upper end to the upper end of the back and provided with openings

of the configuration of the waist and skirt of a dress, a series of panels hingedly connected together with one panel of the series secured to the back, the faces of alternate
5 panels having secured thereto sample fabrics to be displayed through the openings in the frame when said frame has been moved into position on a fabric carried by a particular panel, the faces of the panels adjacent the alternate faces being provided with
10 samples of fabric corresponding in design to the main piece of fabric but having a different color scheme.

2. A sample display folder comprising a
15 back, covers hingedly connected to the longitudinal edges of the back, a display frame hinged at its upper end to the upper end of the back and provided with open-

ings of the configuration of the waist and skirt of a dress, a series of panels hingedly
20 connected together with one panel of the series secured to the back, the faces of alternate panels having secured thereto sample fabrics to be displayed through the openings
25 in the frame when said frame has been moved into position on a fabric carried by a particular panel and a display frame having an opening above the first mentioned openings adapted to aline with the indicia
30 above the fabric so that not only the fabric will appear through the openings but the catalogue number of the fabric will appear through its cooperating opening above the figure.

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