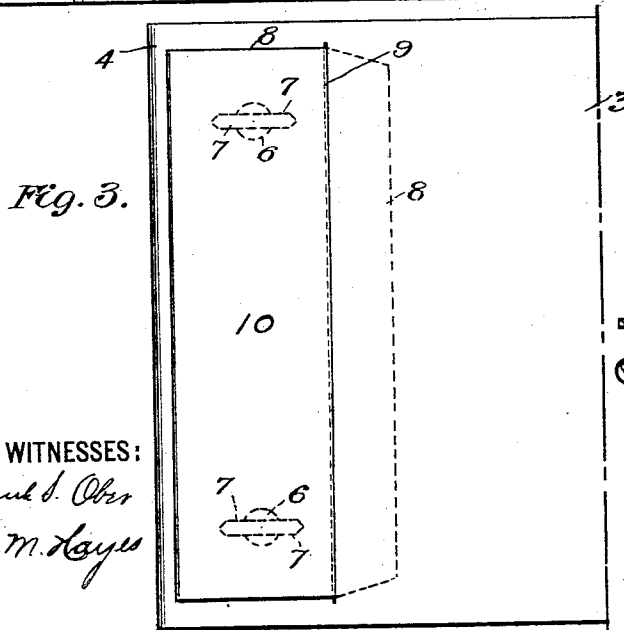
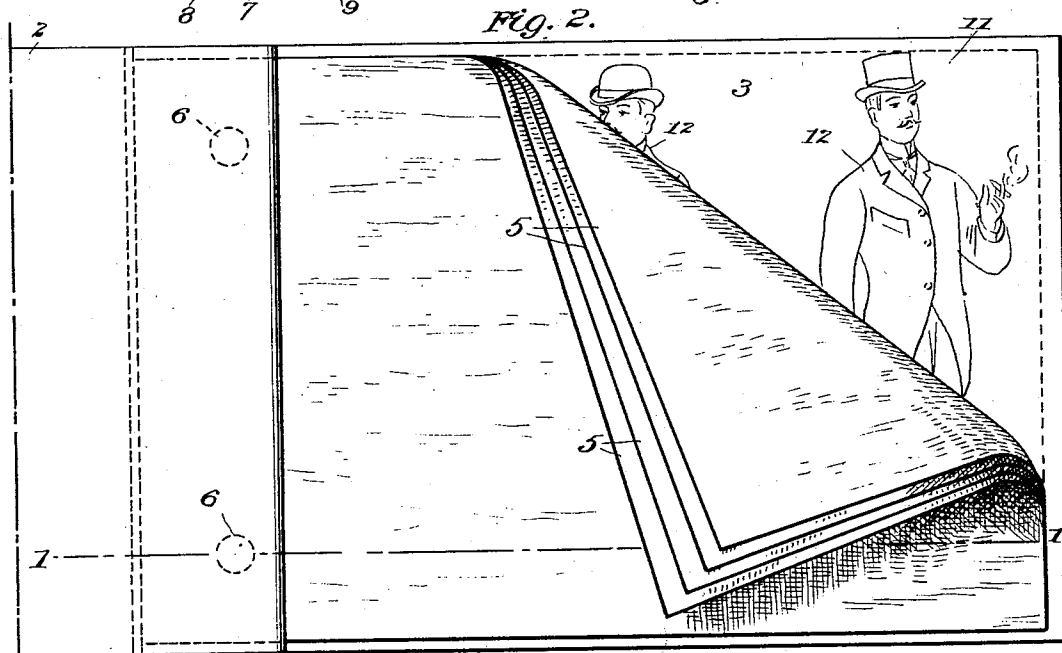
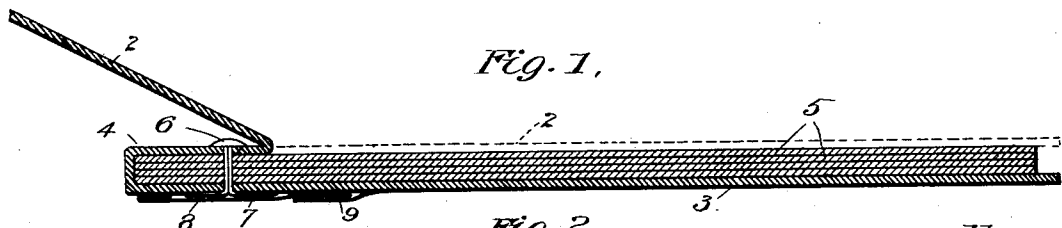


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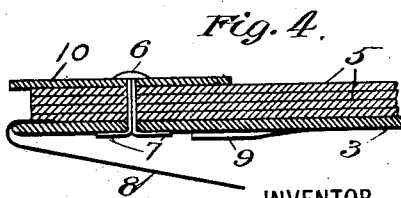
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARTIN STEINTHAL, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York city, county and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cloth-Sample Binders, of which the following is such a full, clear, and exact description as will enable any one skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification.

My invention relates to a binder for securing together samples of cloth or fabrics in convenient form for handling the same and facilitating looking them over; and the invention consists in the various novel and peculiar arrangements and combinations of the several parts of the device, all as hereinafter fully described, and then pointed out in the claim.

I have illustrated my invention in the accompanying drawings, wherein—

Figure 1 shows a section of my improved binder, taken on a vertical plane extending lengthwise the binder on a plane indicated by line 1 1, Fig. 2, and with one of the covers or lids raised in open position and partly broken away, the dotted line showing the position of said lid when closed. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the binder shown in Fig. 1 with the corners of the sample-pieces turned aside in order to show the fashion-plate arranged upon the inner face of one of the covers. Fig. 3 is a view of one end of the under side of the binder and shows the arrangement of the flap for covering the ends of the metallic fasteners. Fig. 4 shows a vertical section similar to that in Fig. 1 of a portion of a modified form of binder.

Referring to the drawings, in which like numbers of reference indicate like parts throughout, 2 and 3 are the binder-covers, which are preferably made of a stiff material like, for example, the cloth or leather covers forming the binding of an ordinary book, and 4 is a piece connecting said covers 2 and 3.

5 5 are strips or pieces of fabric or cloth constituting samples of material, which are inserted in the binder between the covers and are secured at their inner ends by ordinary

metallic fasteners 6 6, which are passed through from the front to the back of the binder, so that the heads thereof lie to the exterior of one side while the bent-over ends 7 of the two prongs lie upon the exterior of the opposite side, where they are covered over and concealed by a suitable flap 8, mounted upon the exterior of the binder. The free end of this flap 8, which I preferably make of the same material as the covers, is adapted to take in a slit or pocket 9 upon the exterior of the cover, and after the fasteners have been inserted in place by being put through the covers and the samples and the ends bent over, as shown in the drawings, the free end of the flap is pushed in the slit and thereby held down flatly against the cover and in this way serves to conceal the fasteners, at the same time preventing them from catching in foreign substances or marking or mutilating an adjacent binder when a lot of the binders are packed together. The flap in this form of binder consists in a piece of cloth or paper like the material of which the binder is covered, and the same is mounted in place by securing one long edge by paste at a point near the back edge of one of the covers, the material being preferably folded over at the end where it is pasted, as shown in Fig. 1.

In the form shown in Fig. 4 there is but one cover 3, the other one being dispensed with, likewise the piece 4, such parts being replaced by a binder-strip 10, through which the fasteners are inserted, as in the form hereinbefore described. The flap in this form of binder is mounted in place by securing one long edge thereof to the upper face of the back 3 and then folding the material around the back edge thereof, so as to bring it around upon the under side of the back, as shown in Fig. 4.

Upon the covers or backs of the binder I mount an ordinary fashion-plate 11, which shows one or more figures 12, wearing costumes made in the prevailing styles, and such fashion-plate is preferably located upon the inside of the cover, so that it is concealed by the samples inserted therein. If desired, a fashion-plate may be placed upon each cover. This arrangement affords a ready means for consulting a fashion-plate in conjunction with

the samples and makes a very compact combined article that is portable and may be conveniently carried in the pocket.

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

In a binder, the combination of a back, fasteners extending through said back for binding the samples thereto, a free flap located
10 upon the exterior of the back for covering and concealing the ends of the fasteners project-

ing through the back, and means for holding the flap in closed position, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set
my hand, this 9th day of October, 1896, in the
presence of the two subscribing witnesses. 15

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