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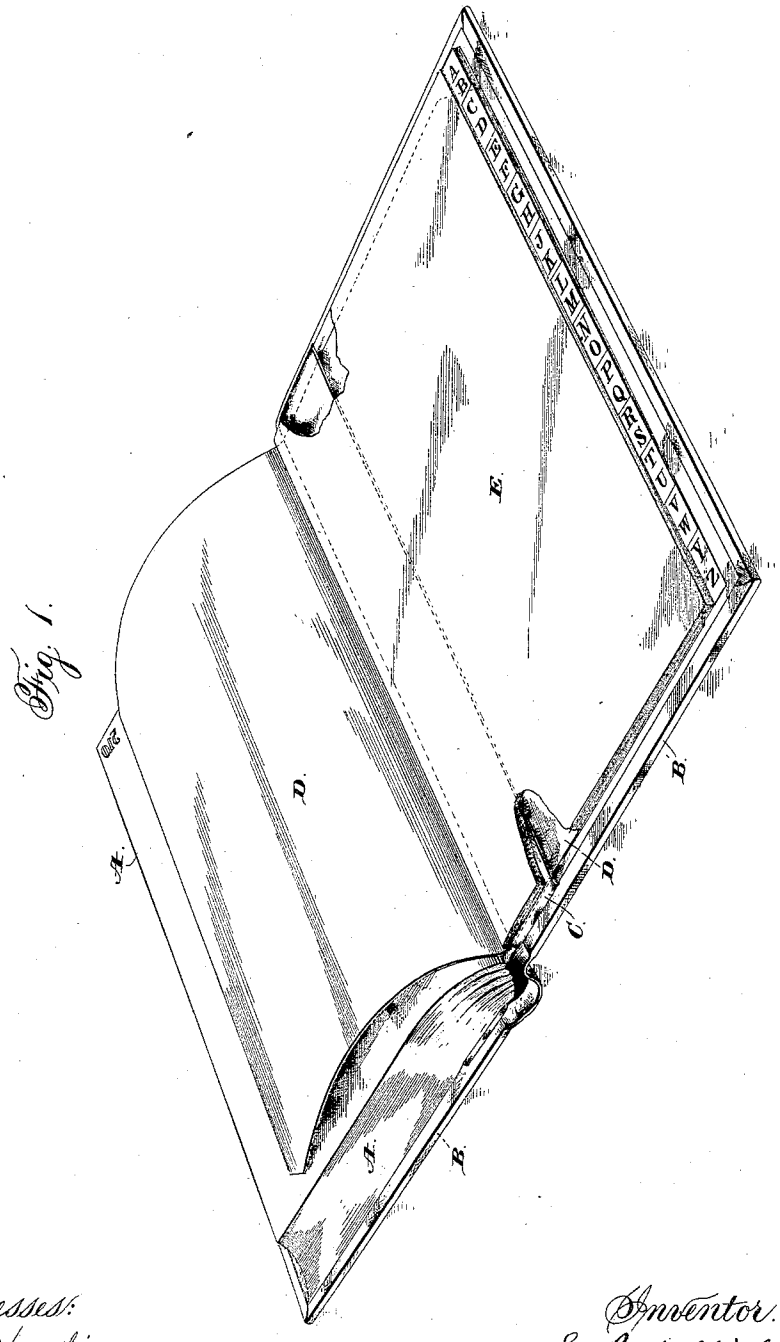

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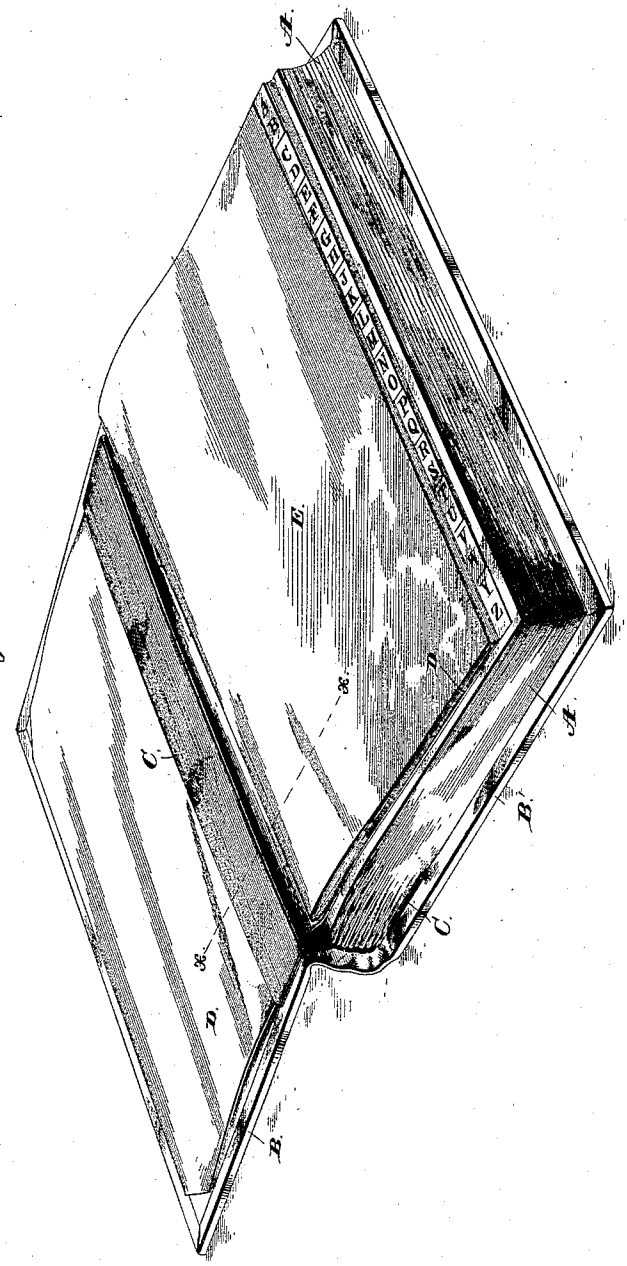
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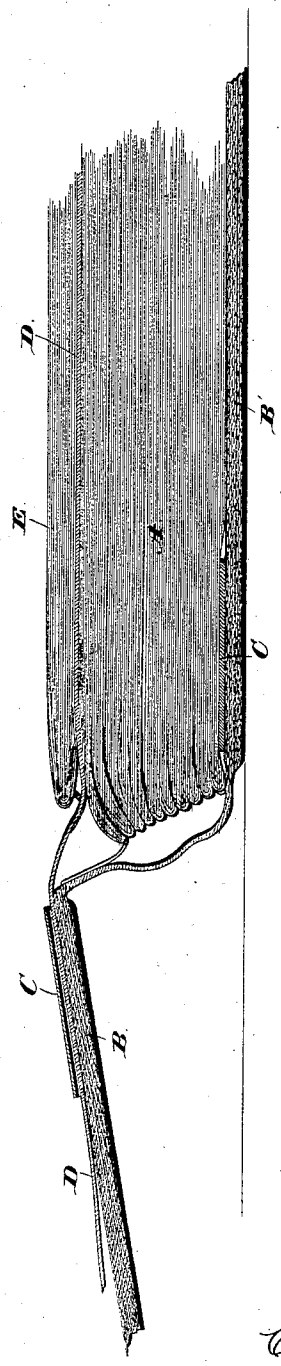

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD R. SOLLIDAY, of Lambertville, in the county of Hunterdon, and in the State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Copying-Books; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 shows a perspective view of my improved copying-book with the index in place at the back or rear side thereof; Fig. 2, a similar view showing the index in place for use at the front of the book, and Fig. 3 a sectional view on line *x x* of Fig. 2.

Letters of like name and kind refer to like parts in each of the figures.

With copying-books as heretofore made, in which the index is permanently attached to one or the other of the covers, it is, of course, impossible to temporarily remove the index, as is especially desirable when the index is being written up, and it is also impossible to change the index from one side to the other of the book to suit different customers and to fit the book for variations in the conditions and circumstances of its use.

To suit the tastes and needs of customers it has been heretofore necessary for the manufacturer to make and keep in stock at least two sets or kinds of books—one with the index attached or fixed to the front side of the book or cover thereof and the other with the index at the back side. To avoid this necessity and to make a book with index which shall suit all purchasers and shall be adapted to be quickly and readily changed as to the position of its index, so as to suit varying tastes of the user and variations in conditions and circumstances of use, I have invented the improved copying-book and index, as hereinafter specified.

In the drawings, A designates the body or leaves of a copying-book, which can be made of any of the ordinary well-known materials therefor and put together or made up in any desired way, and B B′ designate the front and back covers of the book, respectively. Upon the inner side of each of these covers is a strip of material, C, attached at its ends to the inner side of the cover near the upper and lower edges thereof, as shown, so as to make a flat loop extending up and down the inner cover-face near the inner or binding edge thereof. The ends of the strip, which can be made of paper, cloth, or metal, as desired, I preferably turn under, as indicated in the drawings, before fastening them to the cover. This construction makes a flat loop, into which can be easily slid the cover D of the index E. Such index can be of any of the well-known constructions, with any desirable form or system of lettering. Its construction and form can be varied indefinitely without affecting the spirit of my invention; but it should have some outer leaf or cover—such as indexes ordinarily have—which can be engaged by or slid under one or the other of the loops on the copying-book covers.

The indexes made with covers or outer leaves stiffer and thicker than the inner index-leaves proper are especially well adapted for use in my book, though I do not limit myself to such indexes.

With both covers B and B′ provided with the loops, as shown and described, the index can be readily and quickly put in place at the front or back of the book by simply opening the book and slipping a cover or outer leaf of the index into the loop on the front or back book cover, respectively. The loop will then hold the index well and securely in place as long as desired.

When in writing up the index it is found convenient to take it out of the book, the latter is simply opened flat and the index drawn out, so as to disengage its cover or outer leaf from the holding-loop.

The changing of the index from the front to the back of the book, or vice versa, merely involves the opening of the book, drawing the index-cover out of the loop attached to one of the book-covers, and inserting the other index cover or outer leaf in the loop on the other cover.

If the index were merely a loose one unattached to the book-covers, it would of course be liable to be misplaced and lost. My index, on the other hand, when one of the loops is engaging its cover or outer leaf, not only cannot get displaced and lost during use of the book, but is held firmly and squarely in place in the book,

Instead of the open loops shown and described, I contemplate making the loops more extensive and with their outer edges closed, so as to form pockets for the reception of the covers or outer leaves of the index.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

1. In combination with a book having a loop on its cover, a removable index having a cover or leaf engaged by said loop, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

2. In combination with a removable index, a book having on each of its covers a loop adapted to receive a cover or outer leaf of the index, substantially as and for the purpose shown.

3. In combination with the removable index, a book having on the inside of each of its covers a holder for engaging a cover of the index, so that such index can be removed at will and attached to the book at the front or back thereof, as desired.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 9th day of June, 1887.

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