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Book-Covers.

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FIG. 1.

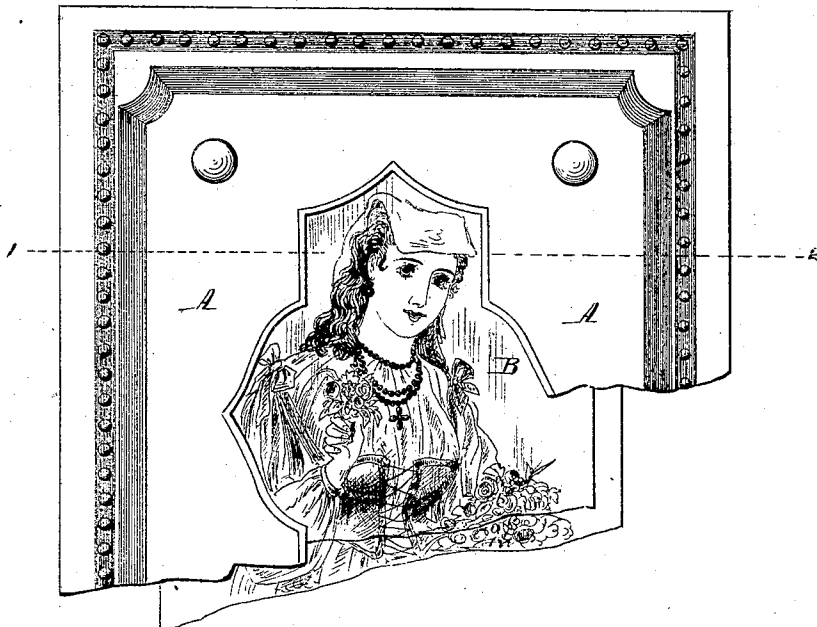
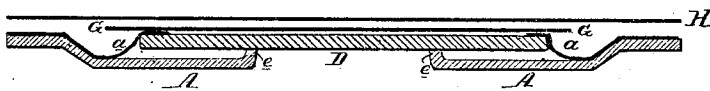


FIG. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN BOOK-COVERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM L. BURLOCK, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, have invented an Improvement in Backs for Albums, of which the following is a specification:

My invention consists of an embossed book-back, combined with glass, having a silvered or pictorial backing, and a covering as described hereafter, the whole forming a cheap and ornamental back especially applicable to photographic albums.

In the accompanying drawing, Figure 1 is a front view of sufficient of the back of an album or other book to illustrate my invention; and Fig. 2 is a transverse section on the line 1 2, Fig. 1.

The back A is made of mill or straw board, as usual, with a cover of leather or of binders' cloth or other ornamental fabric, the whole being embossed by the ordinary process. The back is cut away in the middle so as to form a central opening, B, of any desired form, and at the rear of the back is secured a sheet, D, of glass, by strips *a* of paper, or by other suitable fastenings, the glass bearing against a slight rib, *e*, made at the edge of the opening by the embossing process. At the back of the glass is a picture, G, of any desired character, but of such dimensions that the edge of the opening B will form a suitable

border for it, and at the rear of the picture is a sheet, H, of thin card-board or stiff paper, covered with ornamental paper or fabric.

The picture may be attached either to the rear of the glass or to the sheet H, the latter being pasted to the back A so as to impart a neat finish to the same.

Instead of the pictorial backing G for the glass the latter may be silvered at the back so as to form a small mirror.

The opening for the exhibition of the picture or mirror may be of any desired shape, and if the book be large there may be several openings for the exhibition of several pictures or mirrors.

I claim as my invention and as a new manufacture—

A book-back in which a plate of glass, having a silvered or pictorial backing, is arranged opposite an opening or openings in the "board," and is confined between the latter and a covering-sheet, substantially as described.

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

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