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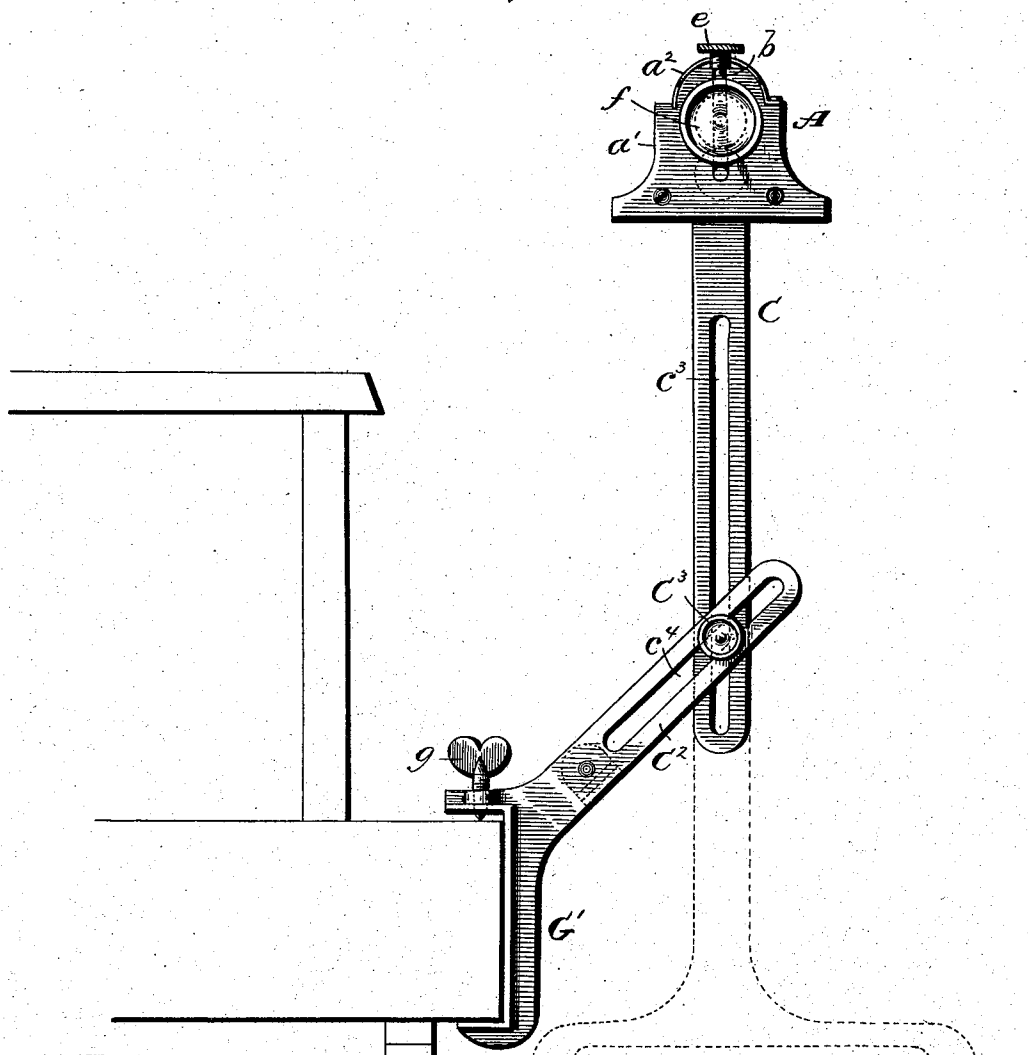
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Fig. 1.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, WILLIAM A. BRAMLETTE and WILLIAM H. EVANS, citizens of the United States, residing at Bonham, in the county of Fannin and State of Texas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Copy-Holders; and we do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

Our invention relates to an improved copy-holder, more especially designed for type-writing machines, of any of the prevalent forms, and it has for its object to facilitate the holding of the copy; also to aid the reader or operator to readily retain his "place," in reading the copy line by line, in the usual way, to insure accuracy in copying the same; also to provide for its adaptation to the machine, irrespective of the size of the latter; and the invention consists of the novel combination and arrangement of parts, including their construction, substantially as hereinafter more fully disclosed and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings—Figure 1 is a side elevation of our improved copy-holder for type-writing machines, as applied for use. Fig. 2 is a broken, partly sectional view of the same, and Fig. 3 is a transverse section of the copy-holder proper.

In the embodiment of our invention, we provide a case or closure A open at its rear side, preferably, consisting of a base *a*, end-
portions *a'* secured to said base, a curved
metal top-portion *a''*, secured upon said end
portions as shown, among other ways, and the
similar front portion *a'''*, anchored, or other-
wise secured, in said base, and having its
upper edge standing slightly, or a short dis-
tance, away from the lower front edge of the
top-portion *a''*, thus providing a slot or open-
ing *a''''*, thereat, for the passage therethrough
of the paper or copy, as indicated in dotted
lines, in Fig. 3.

Arranged within the closure or casing A, are the paper or copy feeding rolls *b b*, the

paper or copy being passed and held, there-
between, said rolls being mainly of wood and
covered preferably with rubber for the pur-
pose, as well understood, of producing the
requisite friction to aid the feeding of the in-
terposed paper or copy as the rolls are actu-
ated or turned. The journals of these rolls
bear in slots *b* in the end-portions *a'*, of the
case or closure A, the upper journals having
follower-blocks *c* resting thereon, and upon
these blocks or followers is exerted the ac-
tion of springs *d* held in place, and whose
tension can be regulated, by set or adjusting
screws *e*, in regulating the frictional contact
between the rolls and paper or copy. One of
the journals of the upper roll is provided
with a milled disk or thumb-piece *f* to pro-
vide for the turning or actuation of the rolls
in feeding the paper or copy therebetween,
at the convenience of the operator or reader.
The straight-edge, upper portion of the front-
plate *a'''*, serves, it will be seen, as a guide for
the eye of the operator in reading the copy,
just as each line of matter emerges from be-
hind, and is stopped just above, said straight-
edge by accordingly controlling the move-
ment of the rolls, the next or succeeding line
of the copy remaining, in the mean time, un-
exposed.

To provide for adjustably supporting the
case or closure A in an elevated position and
conveniently to the operator or reader, legs
or standards C C, having upper right-angled
portions C' C', are employed, said right-an-
gled portions C' C' having slots *c'* therein,
through which are inserted adjusting or set
screws *c''* adjustably connecting the legs to
said case. The legs or standards when ex-
tended as indicated in dotted lines, in Fig. 1,
rest upon the floor, but when constructed as
shown in full lines, they have connected to
them the angle-arms C² of brackets G' adapt-
ed, preferably as shown, for connection to
the base of the type-writer, they being pro-
vided with set or holding screws *g* for that
purpose.

The legs or standards C and the arms C² of
the brackets G' are provided with longitudi-
nal slots *c c''*, *c'''*, respectively; and engaging
the slots are set or holding screws C³, to pro-
vide for the requisite adjustment of the parts

to accommodate the copy-holder to the convenience of the operator.

The arms C^2 , are adjustably connected together by the sectional cross-bar consisting of the sections D, D , one having a set screw d' engaging a slot d^2 , in the other section to provide, with the set screw and slot arrangement $c' c^2$, aforesaid, for the accommodation or adjustment of the parts or legs and brackets to different sized machines.

Having thus fully described our invention, what we claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The combination, with a copy-holder, of the legs or standards having right angled upper end-portions provided with slots and adjusting screws engaging said slots and connecting said upper end-portions to the case of the copy-holder, substantially as specified.

2. The combination, with a copy-holder, of

the legs or standards having adjustable connection with the case of said copy-holder and connected together by a cross bar consisting of adjustable section, substantially as set forth.

3. The combination, with a copy holder, of the legs or standards connected thereto and having longitudinal slots, and the brackets adapted to a type-writer, and having angularly disposed arms provided with longitudinal slots, and adjusting screws engaging the slots of said legs or standards and the arms of said brackets, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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