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Fig. 1.

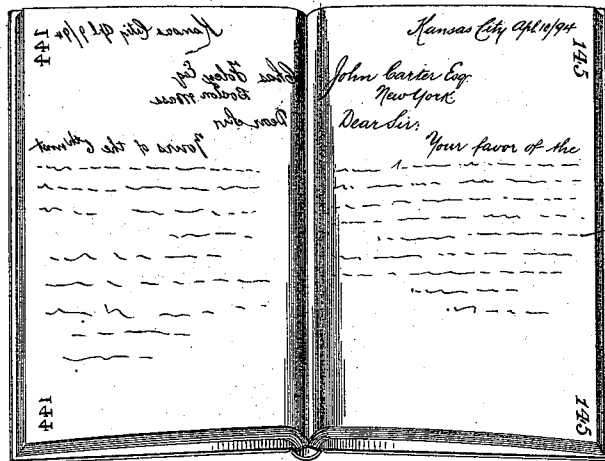


Fig. 2.

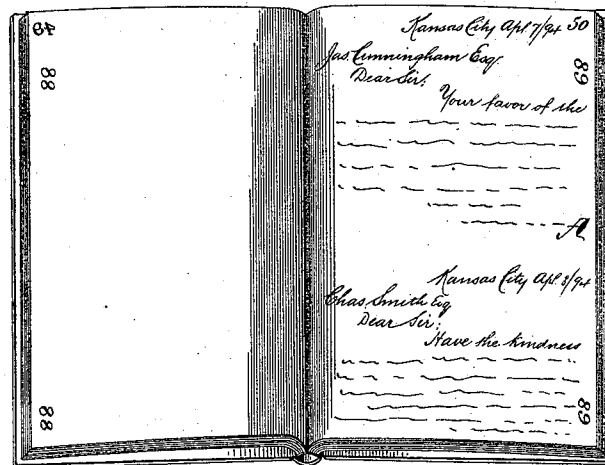
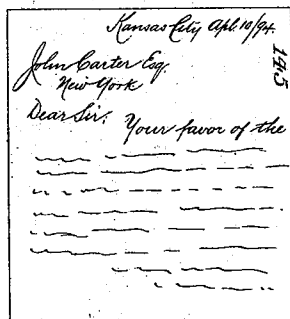


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWIN FOWLER, of Kansas City, in the county of Jackson and State of Missouri, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Copying-Books, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to an improvement in copying-books or books or slips of a like description; and it has for its object to provide a means whereby in the process of copying numbers, letters, or a symbol of any description may simultaneously with copying be transferred to and produced upon the copied sheet, the leaf upon which the copy is produced being provided with a corresponding symbol, whereby, through the medium of the said symbol, number, or letter, the location of the copy of a certain letter, the symbol, number, or letter being known, may be expeditiously and conveniently located in the book, portfolio, or equivalent device into which the copy had been taken.

The invention consists in the novel construction and combination of the several parts, as will be hereinafter fully set forth, and pointed out in the claim.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar figures of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views.

Figure 1 is a plan view of an open copy-book, illustrating the application of the improvement thereto. Fig. 2 is a view similar to that shown in Fig. 1, illustrating a slight modification in the application of the invention; and Fig. 3 is a plan view of a letter-sheet which has been copied in the book shown in Fig. 1.

In carrying out the invention the copy-book or portfolio A, into which letters B are to be copied, memoranda, or the equivalent of letters, may be of any material suitable for such purposes, and the leaves or pages of the book may be consecutively or arbitrarily numbered, as in practice may be found desirable, or the pages may be numbered in the ordi-

nary manner. The numbers in this event are preferably produced in a transferable or copying ink, and at one or more places upon the pages or leaves other than at the upper outer margins thereof, or where the customary numbers are located, the numbers of the leaves or pages may be reproduced thereon, as indicated in Fig. 1, the reproduction being made in a transferable or copying ink, or, as shown in Fig. 2, the pages of the book or portfolio may be numbered in the ordinary manner and with the ordinary printing-ink, and each page may be provided with one or more arbitrarily-selected numbers, characters, letters, or designs produced in a transferable or copying material, in order that if two half-sheets are to be copied upon one page, for example, both of the half-sheets will have produced thereon the symbol, letter, number, or character produced upon the page upon which the impression of the letter is taken. In this manner when, for example, a letter is referred to as "145," and a request may be placed upon the letter-head to so designate the letter in the reply, the receiver of the reply may expeditiously and conveniently turn to the page in the letter-copying book or portfolio correspondingly numbered or designated, and thus expeditiously and conveniently find the impression of the letter in question.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

A letter press copying book having a series of sheets forming surfaces receptive of copying ink for press copying, said sheets bearing consecutive numbers or letters in copying ink, said consecutive numbers being transferable whereby letters being transferred to the copying book will receive the numbers from the copying sheets, substantially as set forth.

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