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BOOK-COVER PROTECTOR.

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Fig. 1

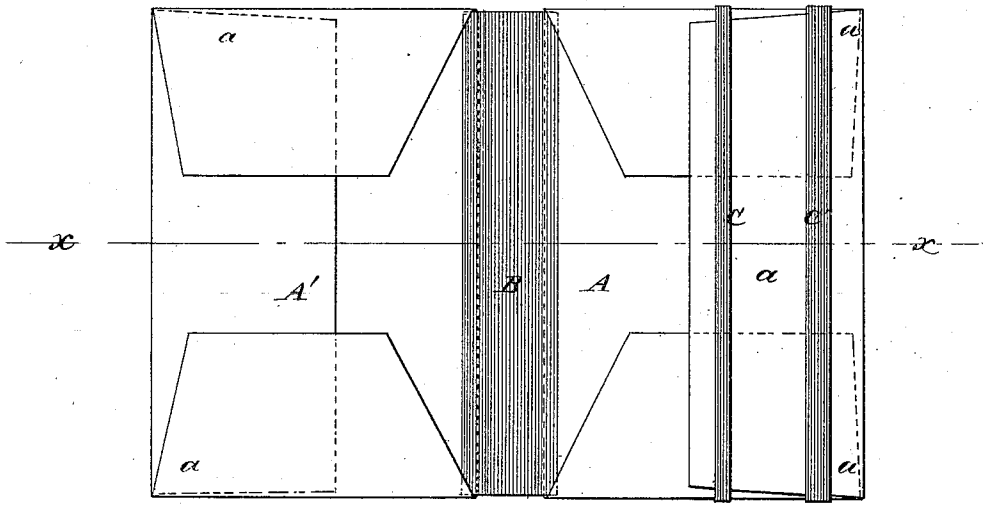
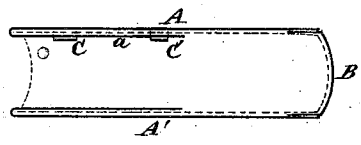


Fig. 2



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IMPROVEMENT IN BOOK-COVER PROTECTORS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES B. BROWNE, of Camillus, county of Onondaga, and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Book-Cover Protector, of which the following is a specification:

Figure 1 represents the book-cover detached from the book. Fig. 2 is a transverse section on line *x x* in Fig. 1, representing the cover applied to a book.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The object of my invention is to provide a temporary cover for books which may be readily applied to books of varying thickness having the same length and breadth.

In the drawing, A A′ are covers of paper or other suitable material, which are folded at *a a*, in the usual manner, to receive the covers of the book. The folded-over part of the cover A′ is pasted or glued together, but the folded parts of the cover A are not fastened together. The parts A A′ of the cover are made of separate pieces of material, and connected by a back-piece, B, of elastic rubber, which is sufficiently yielding to permit of adapting the cover to books of different thicknesses.

The folding part A, when placed on the book-cover, is retained by an elastic band, C, and an elastic band, C′, is provided, which is designed for slipping over a part of the leaves of the book to keep the place.

This improved cover is designed for public and private libraries, for Sunday-schools, common schools, for use in counting-rooms and other places.

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

A book-cover protector consisting of the parts A A′, made as described, and connected by an elastic back-piece, B, and provided with a fastening-band, C, substantially as shown and described.

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