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LETTER FILING DEVICE.
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Fig. 1.

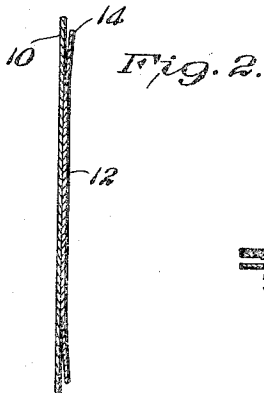
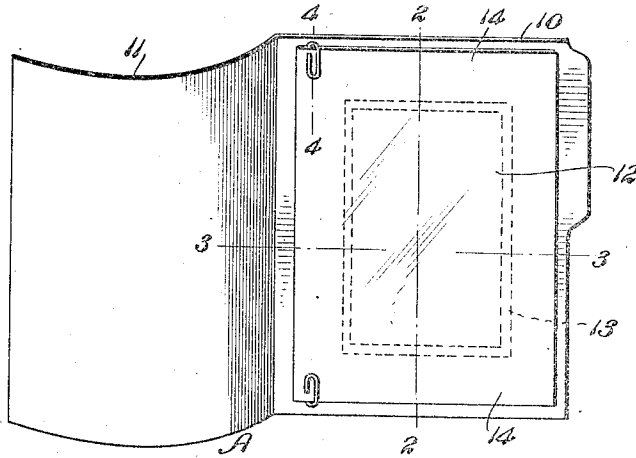


Fig. 4.

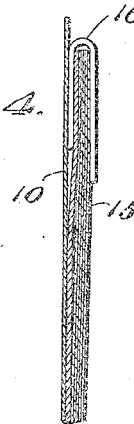


Fig. 3.

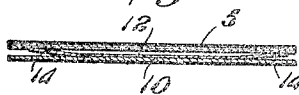
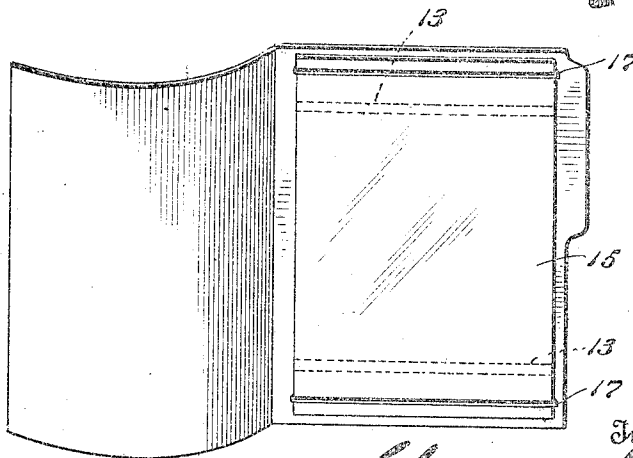


Fig. 5.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHAUNCEY SMITH, a citizen of the United States, and resident of Atlanta, Fulton county, State of Georgia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Letter-Filing Devices, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this invention is to provide a simple, cheap, convenient and reliable means for filing loose papers, such as letters, bills, invoices, etc.

The invention will be described in connection with the accompanying drawing in which,

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a letter file embodying the invention; Figs. 2, 3 and 4 are sections respectively on the lines 2—2, 3—3 and 4—4 of Fig. 1, Fig. 4 being on a larger scale than the other views; Fig. 5 is a perspective view showing a slightly different form of the invention and different means of attaching letters or papers.

Referring to the drawing, A indicates a folder or cover for a letter file comprising two leaves 10, 11. This cover may be of any suitable material such as stout paper or tag-board. To the leaf 10 a sheet 12 of similar material is connected in such a way as to leave one or more of its margins free. The sheets 10 and 12 may be connected by adhesive material, as indicated by the dotted lines 13 or they may be connected by staples or other suitable means. The adhesive connecting means is preferable. When thus connected the sheet has a free margin 14 to which letters may be connected by means of clips or other fasteners or by rubber bands.

In Figs. 1 and 2 I have shown the filing device without any papers attached thereto. In Figs. 3 and 4 I have shown a series of papers 15 and in Fig. 4 I have shown a series of papers 15 and a connecting clip 16.

After the papers accumulate so that they can not be conveniently attached by means of ordinary wire clips, the bundle of papers may be secured to the sheet 12 by bands 17, such as ordinary rubber bands, as shown in Fig. 5. In Fig. 5 I have shown two transverse lines of adhesive material 18, the longitudinal lines being omitted. This is preferable in some cases.

While I have shown my invention applied to a simple file it will be evident that it may be used for attaching papers to the leaves of blank books, invoice books, and the like, the attaching sheets 14 being connected to the leaves of the book in the manner shown in the drawings or in any equivalent way. The attaching sheet 14 is preferably made smaller than the leaf 10 to which it is connected so that the clips and papers connected to it will not extend beyond the leaf.

Having described my invention what I claim and desire to secure by Letters-Patent is,

1. In a filing device for letters and other papers, the combination of a leaf and a sheet connected thereto and having opposite free marginal portions to which letters, etc., may be attached, the said sheet being connected to the leaf by means located between said free marginal portions.

2. In a filing device for letters and other papers, the combination of a leaf and a sheet attached thereto by means located within its border, the said sheet having free marginal portions at opposite ends to which letters, etc., may be attached.

3. In a filing device for letters and other papers, the combination with a leaf, of a sheet shorter than the leaf, said sheet and leaf being connected together on transverse lines near the upper and lower ends of the sheet whereby the sheet is provided with upper and lower free margins to which papers may be connected by means of clips or bands.

4. In a filing device for letters and other papers, the combination with a leaf, of a sheet connected to the leaf near its upper and lower ends by adhesive material, whereby the upper and lower marginal portions of the sheet are free and papers may be connected thereto by suitable fastening devices.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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