

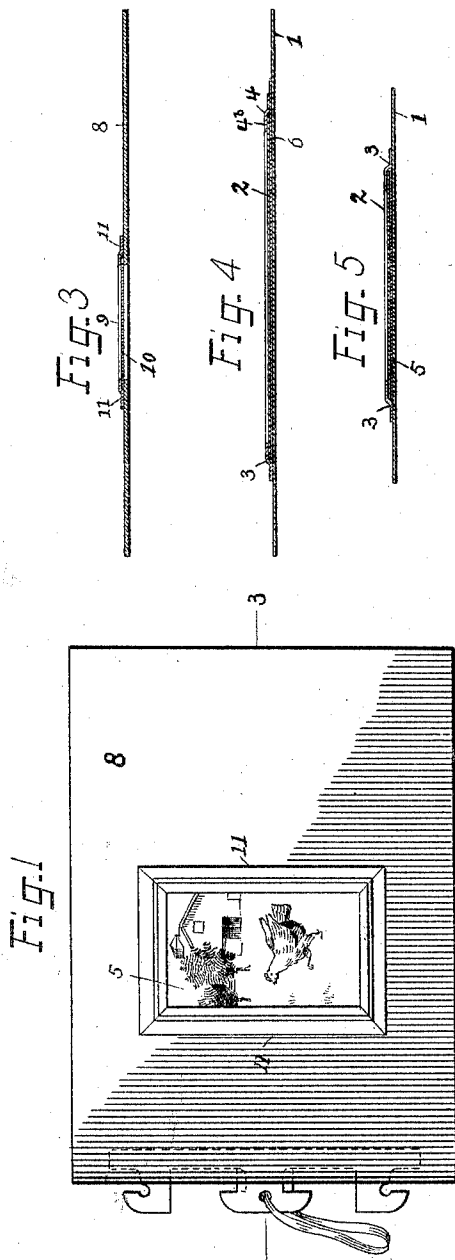
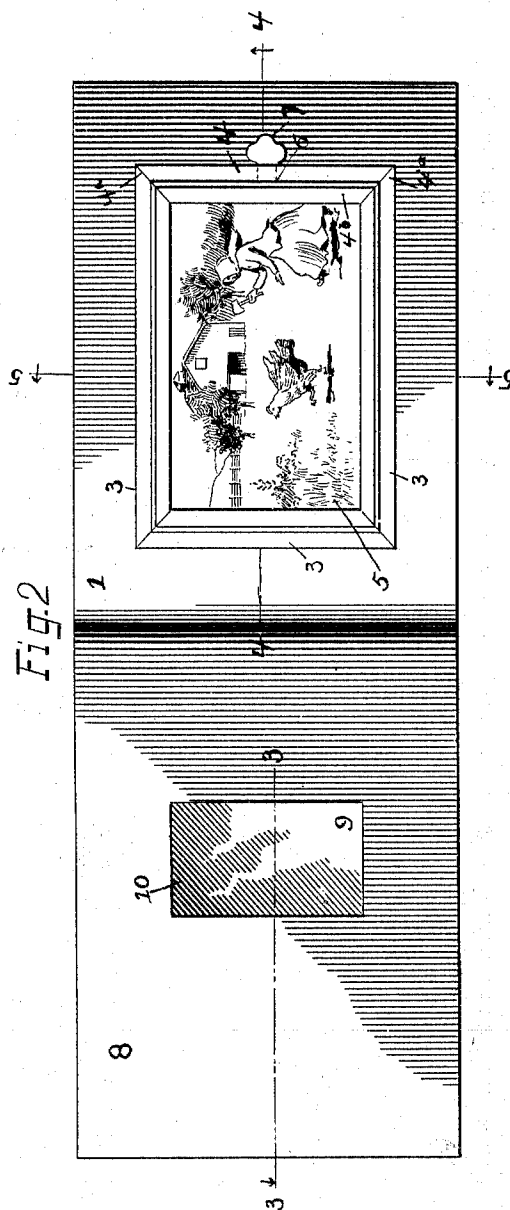
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALBERT W. ENGEL, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Chicago, Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Picture-Mounting Leaves and Books, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part thereof.

The purpose of this invention is to provide an improved means for mounting, displaying, and preserving pictures, particularly photographic prints or other pictures on like flexible films or sheets, in such manner that the face of the picture may be protected and that the pictures may be interchanged and so that a book or album for so mounting and preserving such pictures may display a picture through one cover while affording protection to such displayed picture.

It consists of the features of construction of the leaf and book as set out in the claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a plan of a book containing my invention, the same being closed and exposing the front cover. Fig. 2 is a plan view showing the book opened at the first page and showing the inner side of the front cover and such page. Fig. 3 is a section through the front cover at the line 3 3 on Figs. 1 and 2. Fig. 4 is a section at the line 4 4 on Fig. 2. Fig. 5 is a section at the line 5 5 on Fig. 2.

I will first describe the portion of my invention which relates to mounting the picture in the leaf or card.

Upon the face of the leaf 1 I secure a transparent celluloid film 2 by means of marginal ornamental strips 3 3 3 3, matched and mitered at the corners as the design may require, such strips being gummed onto the face of the leaf at three sides of the celluloid film, the strip 4 at the fourth side being secured to the leaf only at the ends—as, for example, at the triangular areas denoted 4^a—but being secured to the margin of the celluloid film throughout the entire length of that edge at the area marked 4^b. This affords access for the picture 5 under the marginal strip 4 and under the celluloid, so that the picture may be inserted and retained, its edges being concealed by the inner marginal portions of the strips

3 and 4 lapping the margins of the celluloid. The strip 4 may be gummed over its entire under surface, and in order to prevent it from becoming adherent to the face of the leaf before the leaf is put in use or receives the picture and also for the purpose of making the leaf or album useful as an advertising medium I provide a slip 6 of the exact width to which the picture should be cut in order to enter properly, such slip having a finger-tag 7 at the middle of one end, by which it may be manipulated in inserting and withdrawing it. This slip is made enough longer than the space provided for the picture so that when inserted fully in place it may project beyond the celluloid film at the end covered by the marginal strip 4, and thus intervene between said strip and the face of the leaf, and the portion of the slip which thus intervenes between the gummed face of the slip and the dry surface of the leaf may be paraffined sufficiently to prevent the mucilage on the strip from adhering to it. The face of the slip may be occupied by an ornamental design or advertising matter, or both. When the user desires to insert a picture, if it is to be permanently secured the slip 6 will be withdrawn entirely and the marginal strip 4 will be moistened on the under edge, which can be readily done by the moistened blade of a knife passed under it, and gummed down to the leaf, thus permanently binding both the celluloid and the picture to the face of the leaf. If it is desired to have the pictures removable or interchangeable, the slip 6 may be left in place under the inserted picture, so that its paraffined margin will continue to protect the gummed under surface of the strip 4 and prevent adhesion to the leaf.

In order to give an ornamental appearance to the book when closed and permit the purchaser to determine the character of the ornamentation or of the picture which shall serve as such ornament, I make the cover 8 with an aperture 9, which may be any desired form, and close the aperture by means of a transparent celluloid film 10, secured in any convenient manner, preferably by having such celluloid film cut accurately to the size and shape of the opening and secured within it by

means of marginal strips 11 11, gummed onto the surface of the cover and lapping the celluloid at both the inner and outer side of the cover. I do not limit myself to this specific mode of securing the transverse film. Through the "window" thus made in the cover a picture mounted on the first page may be disclosed in whole or in part, and the taste of the purchaser may be exercised in selecting and mounting such picture, so that the portion exposed shall have a unitary character apart from the portion concealed, so that the whole picture when examined by opening the book may cause surprise by comparison with the portion exposed through the window or otherwise enhance the interest.

I claim—

1. A picture-holding device comprising a card or sheet having a panel of flexible, transparent material, secured upon its face by means of marginal strips gummed onto the leaf and lapping the edge of the panel at three sides, and a similar strip adherent to the edge of the fourth side of the panel, but unattached to the leaf opposite such edge.

2. A picture-holding device comprising a card or leaf having a panel of flexible, transparent material, secured to its face by means of marginal strips gummed onto the face of

the leaf, and lapping three edges of the panel, a fourth strip gummed on its under side, but adherent to the face of the leaf only at the corners or ends of the strip.

3. A picture-holding device comprising a card or leaf having a panel of flexible, transparent material, secured upon its face by means of gummed strips lapping the margins of the panel, and adherent to the face of the leaf at three sides of the panel, but free from the leaf at the fourth side; in combination with a removable card or slip corresponding in width to the picture to be entered under the panel, and adapted; when inserted, to protrude beyond the edge of the panel at said fourth side under the unattached gummed strip, the surface of said slip at the protruding marginal portion facing said gummed strip being coated or saturated with material adapted to prevent its adhesion to the gummed strip.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, in the presence of two witnesses, at Chicago, Illinois, this 9th day of January, 1903:

ALBERT W. ENGEL.

In presence of—

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