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 POSTAL CARD HOLDER.
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Fig. 1.

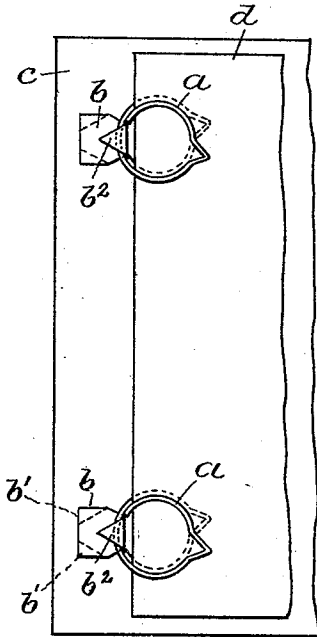


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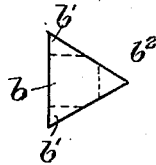


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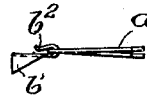


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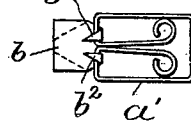


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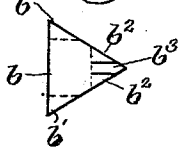


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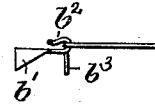


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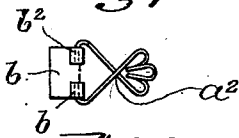


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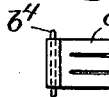


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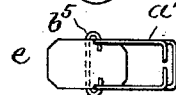


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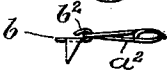


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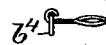


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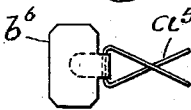


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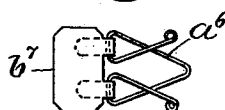


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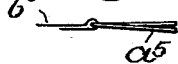
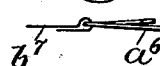


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WARREN H. MANNING, of Brookline, in the county of Norfolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Postal-Card Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to devices for securing souvenir postal cards and analogous articles to supports such as the leaves of an album.

The object of this invention is to provide means whereby postal cards or other similar articles may be removably connected to the support and in such manner that they may be turned over to permit inspection of both sides of the card.

To this end, my invention consists of a device and the combination of parts substantially as hereinafter described and claimed.

Of the accompanying drawings,—Figure 1 illustrates an elevation of a card and its support, the same being connected by my improved device, the card and the support being broken away at the right to economize space. Fig. 2 is a detail plan view of the blank for the plate or attaching member. Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the attaching member and the clip united and complete. Figs. 4, 5 and 6 are detail views of a modified form of clip and plate or attaching member. Figs. 7 and 8 are respectively a plan and side elevation of another modification hereinafter referred to. Figs. 9 and 10 are respectively a plan and side elevation of another modification hereinafter referred to. Figs. 11 and 12 are respectively a plan and side elevation of another modification hereinafter referred to. Figs. 13 and 14 are respectively a plan and side elevation of another modification hereinafter referred to. Figs. 15 and 16 are respectively a plan and side elevation of another modification hereinafter referred to.

Similar reference characters indicate the same or similar parts in all of the views.

Referring first to Figs. 1, 2 and 3. A well known form of spring clip is indicated at *a*, the same comprising a coiled wire having angular projections to form the guiding means whereby a card such as at *d* can be slipped between the two coils of the clip. The attaching member or plate *b* in this form comprises a plate of metal having two of its corners turned downward to form prongs as at *b'*, whereby the said plate may be secured to the support *c* which may be a leaf of an al-

bum. One corner or angle of the plate is bent upward and over as at *b²* to form an eye in which the clip *a* is mounted, said eye forming practically a hinged support for the clip. When two of the plates or attaching members are secured to a support, as indicated in Fig. 1, and when a card is slipped between the members of the two clips, the connection of the card to the backing or support is practically a hinged one similar to the hinges of a door, it being then possible to turn the card over so that either side may be inspected. Of course the card is also readily removable without removing the clips themselves from the support *c*.

In Figs. 4, 5 and 6, I have illustrated a modified form of device in which the plate *b* is provided with a third prong *b³* for attachment to the support *c*, this being accomplished by forming two slits extending inward from the edge on each side of one of the corners or angles of the plate, so that the metal between said slits can be turned down to form the prong *b³*, while the metal at each side of the middle tongue is bent in the reverse direction to form the eye *b²*. As shown in Fig. 4, the clip *a'* is different from the clip shown in Fig. 1, but is also of a somewhat well known type.

In the form shown in Figs. 7 and 8, the plate or attaching member is shown as substantially rectangular instead of triangular, and the clip *a²* is of another form, the outer end being bent back and forth to form three tongues between which a card may be slipped in an obvious manner.

In Figs. 9 and 10, the clip consists of a practically rectangular plate *a³* having two slits extending inward from one edge to form three tongues between which a card may be slipped, one edge of said clip being turned over to form an eye in which an attaching member *b⁴* of a staple form is mounted. With this device, the legs or ends of the staple-like attaching member are simply passed through the support and bent against the under side of said support so that the clip *a³* is hinged relatively to the support.

In Figs. 11 and 12, I have shown another form of clip *a⁴* between the jaws of which the card is to be slipped, said clip being pivotally mounted on the intumed ends of a somewhat staple-formed attaching member *b⁵*, which latter, instead of being passed through the support, is secured to said support by means of a gummed strip *e*. As a matter of fact,

the members b^5 and c may together be considered as comprising the attaching member, by means of which the clip a^4 is hingedly connected to the support.

5 In Figs. 13 and 14, I have illustrated another well known form of clip at a^5 which is hingedly connected to an ear of a gummed strip b^6 . When this form is used, the end of the tongue is preferably turned under the
10 body of the gummed strip before the latter is stuck to the support.

In Figs. 15 and 16 I have shown a device similar to that in Figs. 13 and 14, but in this case the clip a^6 is formed with two pairs of
15 jaws and is hingedly connected to the attaching member b^7 at two points instead of one. This form also will preferably include the attaching member as a gummed strip which can be readily secured adhesively to a leaf of
20 an album or any other desired support.

While I have not undertaken to show but one device of each of the several modifications, excepting in Fig. 1, it is to be understood that in practice it will usually be preferred to attach the card to its support by at
25 least two of the devices so that the card may be conveniently turned over and back for inspection, like the leaves of a book or like a door, without much liability of its slipping
30 from the clips. Still the card can be readily removed when desired and replaced again, or another card can be substituted for it.

Practically all of the devices are capable of use in the manner above described in connection with Figs. 1, 2 and 3.

Figs. 5 to 16 inclusive are only intended to illustrate some of the various forms of clip and attaching members which may be employed.

In each of the forms shown, the attaching member is adapted to be secured to the face of the album leaf or support within the margin of the latter; that is, the attaching member is not adapted to be secured so as to project from the edge of the album leaf or support. But, being flat and having the means which enables it to be attached located on or projecting from one side, the said attaching member may be located anywhere between the edges or margin of the leaf or card or support so that the card which is connected with two of the hinged clips may be turned flat against the leaf or support or may be turned over like any leaf.

Having now described my invention, what I claim is:

An album leaf provided with means for hingedly attaching a card thereto, said means comprising an attaching member provided on one face with means whereby it may be secured to said leaf within the margin of the latter and a clip hingedly connected to the attaching member and arranged to grip the edge of the card.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature, in presence of two witnesses.

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