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PHOTOGRAPH ALBUM.

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Fig: 1.

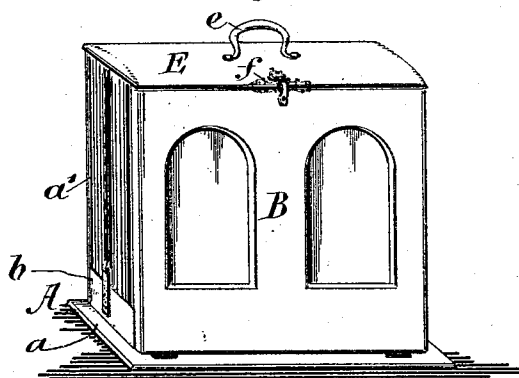


Fig: 2.

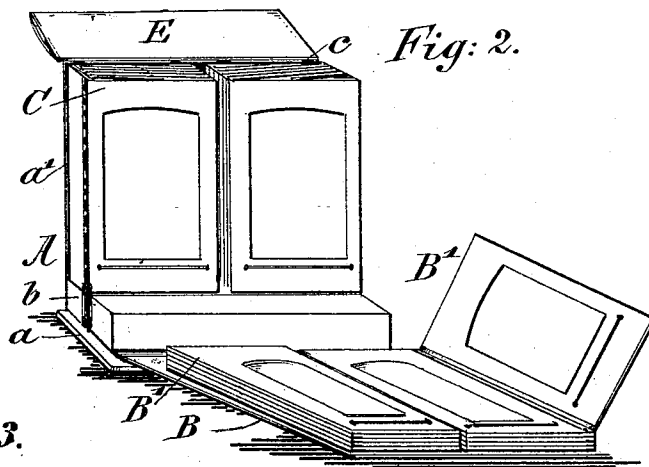
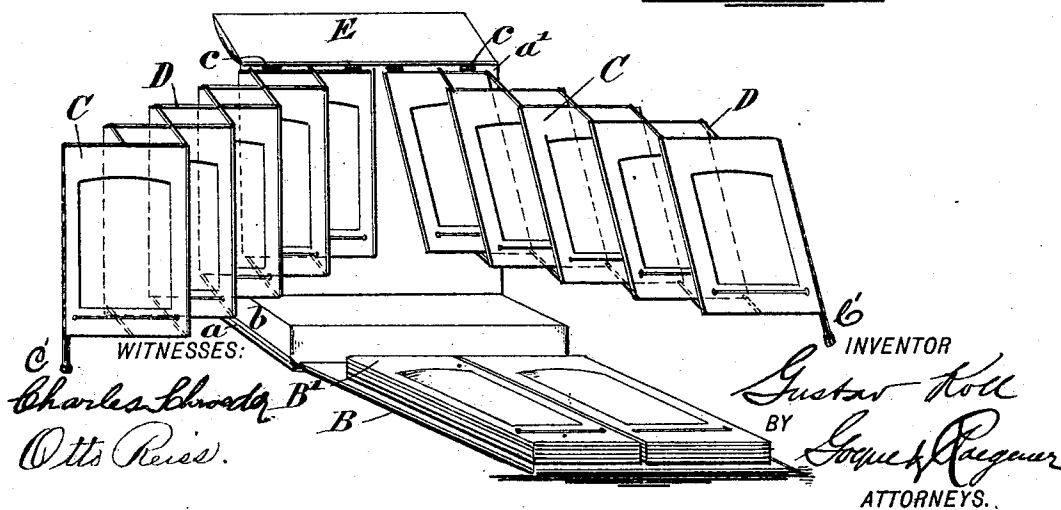


Fig: 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GUSTAV KOLL, a subject of the Emperor of Germany, and a resident of the city, county, and State of New York, have
5 invented certain new and useful Improvements in Photograph-Albums, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an improved photograph album of that class in which not only
10 a number of ordinary leaves for photographs are provided, but in which also a number of folding picture-frames are arranged, by which a number of photographs can be exhibited at the same time, so that the album is adapted
15 in a higher degree for family, exhibition and other purposes; and the invention consists of a photograph album which is composed of an upright supporting frame, a front-plate or wall hinged to the base of the frame, and provided with a number of hinged leaves at the inside of same, a number of frames that are
20 connected with each other by lazy-tong frames, the rearmost frames being hinged at their upper ends to the upright supporting frame against which the entire lazy-tong frames can
25 be folded and a hinged lid that extends over the folding frames and the front-plate or wall, so as to lock all the parts together, as will be fully described hereinafter and finally pointed
30 out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a perspective view of my improved photograph album, showing the same in closed position. Fig. 2 is a perspective view, showing the front plate or wall lowered. Fig. 3 is
35 a perspective view, of the photograph album, showing the front-plate or wall and the folded picture-frames extended.

Similar letters of reference indicate like
40 parts.

Referring to the drawings, A represents the supporting frame of my improved photograph album, which is composed of a base *a*, a block
45 *b* on said base-plate, and an upright portion *a'* at the rear edge of the base-plate. To the front part of the base-plate is hinged the front plate or wall B of the album, to the inner side of which are applied a number of hinged
50 leaves B' that open in the opposite direction from each other from a number of folding frames that move either toward the left or

right, as desired. Above the block *b* are arranged a number of folding-frames C, which are connected at the upper ends by lazy-tong frames D, so that they can be folded up to-
55 ward the upright portion *a'* of the supporting frame A, as shown in Fig. 2. The folding-frames C are arranged in two sets or groups, which fold alongside of each other against the upright portion *a'* of the supporting-
60 frame, the rearmost frames being hinged by their upper edges at *c* to the upright portion *a'*, so that the frames when extended may be placed either into vertical or inclined position, as shown in Fig. 3. When the frames
65 C are extended they will be supported in open position by means of a leg C' on each of the outer frames C. The arrangement of the folding and lazy-tong-connected frames C permits the insertion of a number of pictures
70 and the simultaneous display of the same, which is very desirable, whereby may be exhibited all the members of a family or all the members of a theatrical company, or for other
75 purposes.

To the upper edge of the upright portion *a'* of the supporting frame A is hinged a lid E which is provided with a handle *e* and with
80 a suitable locking device *f* at its front edge, the said locking device engaging the front plate or wall B when the same is raised, so as to inclose thereby the folded up frames and the leaves B' applied to the inner surface of
85 said front plate or wall as shown in Fig. 1.

When the photograph album is closed, 85 which is accomplished by first folding the lazy-tong frames C against the upright portion *a'* of the supporting frame, then moving up the plate or wall B into the upright position and closing the lid E and locking said
90 front plate or wall by the locking device *f* on the lid, the album is supported in upright position and takes up a comparatively small space, while being readily available for exhibiting the pictures by lowering said front
95 plate or wall and extending the folding-frames C in the opposite direction from the supporting-frame.

The folding-frames C can be moved side-
100 wise to such an extent that they do not interfere with the regular turning of the hinged leaves B' applied to the inner surface of the

front plate or wall B, so that the usefulness of the article is thereby enhanced.

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

5 Patent—

1. In a photograph album, the combination of an upright supporting-frame, folding picture-frames, connected in sets by lazy-tongs and located one at each side of said supporting-frame, hinge-connections between the tops 10 of the rear picture-frames of each set and the supporting-frame, a lid hinged to the latter, a front-plate or wall hinged to the base of the supporting-frame, and means for holding the 15 said picture-frames, lid and plate or wall in closed position, substantially as set forth.

2. In a photograph-album, the combination with an upright supporting-frame, several sets of folding picture-frames located one at

each side of said supporting-frame, lazy-tongs 20 connecting said picture-frames, hinge-connections between the tops of the rear frames of each set and the supporting-frame, the outer frames of each set having a depending 25 leg whereby the sets of said picture-frames are supported in open position, a lid hinged to the supporting-frame, a front plate or wall hinged to the base of the supporting-frame, and means for holding said picture-frames, 30 lid and plate or wall in closed position, substantially as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

GUSTAV KOLL.

Witnesses:

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MAX SOLL.