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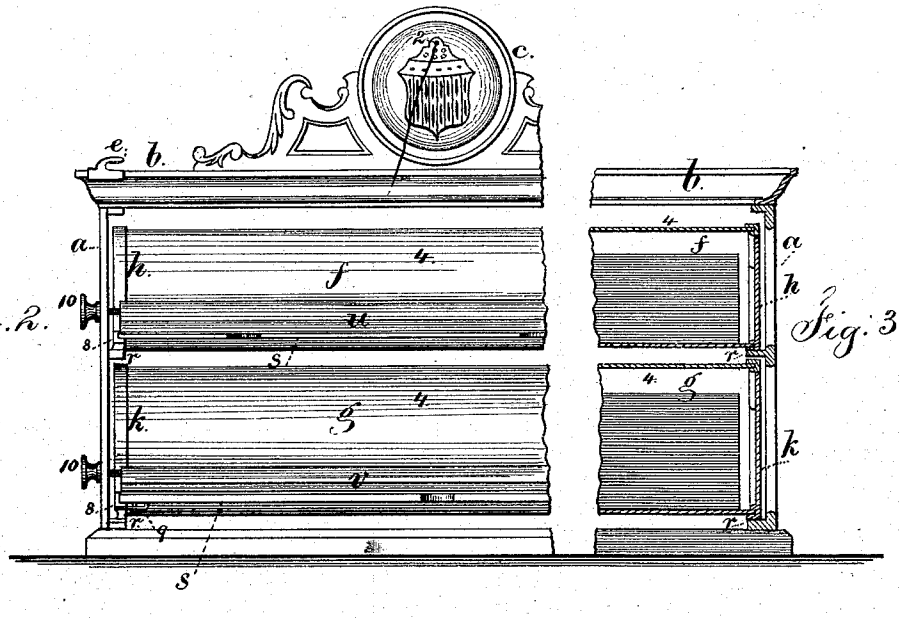

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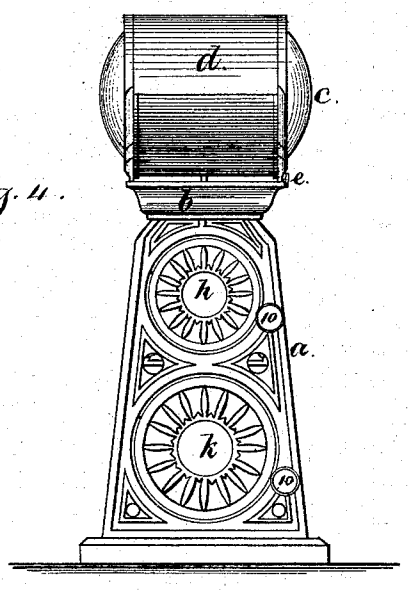

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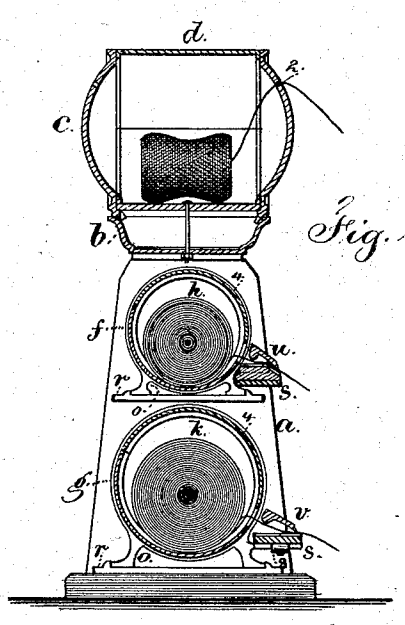

Fig. 1.

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IMPROVEMENT IN PAPER AND TWINE HOLDERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, BENJAMIN F. EATON, of Albany, in the State of New York, have inivented an Improvement in Paper-Holding Cases, of which the following is a specification:

I make use of a rest for the paper covered with a strip of india-rubber or other yielding material to compensate for inequalities in the paper or in the knife, and I mount the paper-holding case removably in a frame, so that two or more paper-cases with rolls of paper of different widths or qualities may be inserted in the holder, and I use a twine holder and cutter upon the frame. Thereby the holder is complete in itself, with all the appliances required in putting up packages or parcels.

In the drawing, Figure 1 is a vertical transverse section. Fig. 2 is an elevation at one end of the frame and rolls, and Fig. 3 is a section at the other end. Fig. 4 is an elevation of the end of the holder.

The frames *a a* are of ornamental shape, and provided with a connecting top frame, *b*, upon which is the twine-holder *c*, that is provided with a movable cover, *d*, and an opening, 2, at one side for the string to be passed out. The twine-cutter *e* is attached to the holder *c* or frame *b*. The cylindrical cases *f* and *g* are made with heads or ends *h* and *k* and movable sections at 4, forming the top portions of the cylinders, that can be taken off for inserting the rolls of paper *m n*. I remark that in one of the cylinders the roll may be the entire length of the case, and in the other case two rolls may be inserted of about two-thirds and one-third, respectively, of the length of the case, so as to provide three widths of paper. These cylindrical cases are each made with a mouth at one side for the paper to pass out, and there are end legs or rests *o* that sit upon flanges or supports *r* at the inner surfaces of the frames *a*, so that the cases may be lifted bodily out from the frames for inserting the roll of paper. There are lugs at the ends of the flanges *r*, to keep the cases in place when they are inserted into their positions. Contiguous to each mouth there is a rest, *s*, for the paper. This may be of wood or metal, and it has an upper surface made of a strip of india-rubber or yielding material cemented into place; and it is preferable to sustain this rest at the ends by the arms 8 projecting from the ends of the cases or sides of the frame, to which arms the said rests are clamped or fastened, as at 9 9.

The tearing-straight edges or knives *u v* are preferably sustained by the frames *a a*, and at each end a screw, 10, with a head forms the means for moving such knife to press its edges upon the paper while it is being torn off against such edge; and I remark that, by unscrewing these screws 10, the knives may be taken out for sharpening.

I claim as my invention—

1. The removable case for holding a roll of wrapping-paper, combined with a frame having ledges or flanges upon which such case rests, and a turning-knife supported by such frame, and against which the paper is torn, substantially as set forth.

2. The rest *s* for the paper, covered with a strip of rubber or yielding material, and the swinging knife arranged in relation to the removable paper-holding case, substantially as set forth.

Signed by me this 18th day of November, 1874.

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