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CLOTH SAMPLE BINDER.

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(No Model.)

FIG. 1.

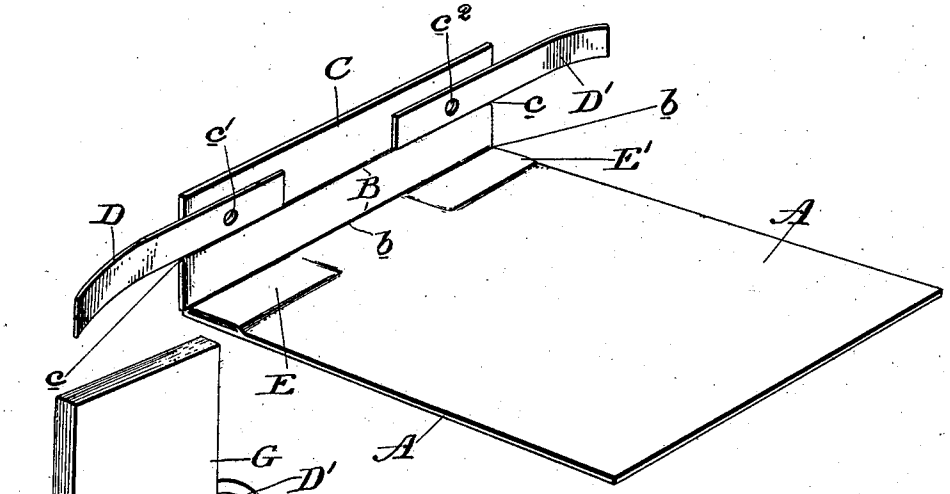


FIG. 4.

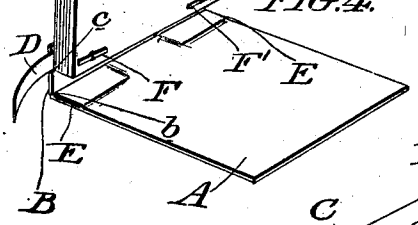


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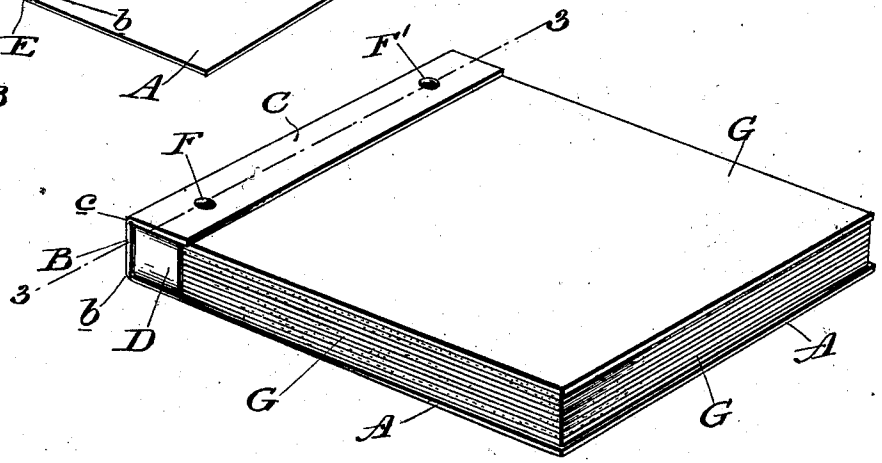
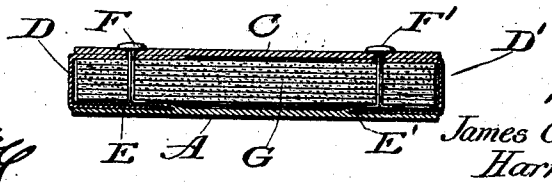


FIG. 3.



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CLOTH-SAMPLE BINDER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, JAMES G. REYNOLDS and HARRY E. BODINE, citizens of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cloth-Sample Binders, of which the following is a specification.

Our invention relates to a binder for securing samples of cloth and other fabrics together in a book-like manner, so that they may be readily handled or examined and, if desired, one or more of the samples may be detached from the remaining lot or others may be inserted without trouble or inconvenience.

Our invention consists of the combination of the several parts constituting the binder, as will be fully described hereinafter.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, forming part of the specification, Figure 1 illustrates a perspective view of our improved binder in an open position ready to receive the samples of cloth. Fig. 2 represents a similar view of the binder with a number of samples in position and the binder closed. Fig. 3 shows a vertical section of the same on line 3 3 of Fig. 2; and Fig. 4 is a view similar to Fig. 1, showing the manner of inserting the samples.

Referring to the letters of reference denoting the several parts of the binder, A represents the back of the binder, which may be made of pasteboard covered in any suitable manner. B represents an end portion of the binder, made of similar material and flexibly connected or hinged at a point *b* to the back portion A, and C denotes a similarly-constructed top portion which is hinged or flexibly connected at a point *c* to the portion B. Secured at the sides and on the inside of the portion C are a pair of flaps D and D′, which are adapted to slits or pockets E and E′, located on the upper side of the back piece A and which serve when inserted in the pockets to retain the binders in a closed position, as illustrated in Fig. 2.

In the top portion C of the binder are holes c' and c^2 for the reception of staples F and F′, which pass through the samples G and are bent over on the back of the samples, as shown in Fig. 4.

Importance is attached to the pockets in the opposite edges of the back and that the flaps embrace the opposite edges of the samples and engage in said pockets, whereby a compact device is formed, the flaps being held by the weight and pressure of the samples on the flaps and pockets.

Having described our invention, what we claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A binder comprising a back, an end portion flexibly connected to one end of said back, a top portion flexibly connected to the end portion, means for securing the samples to the under side of the top portion, the said back being provided with pockets at opposite edges adjacent the end portion, and independent flaps secured at one end to the under face of the top portion by said means and adapted to embrace the side edges of the samples and folded over and detachably inserted in said pockets, all substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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