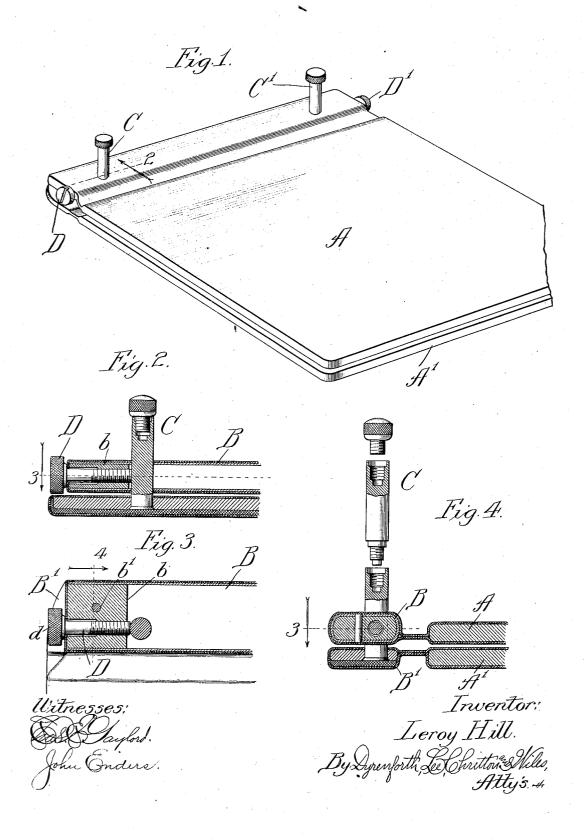
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LOOSE-LEAF BINDER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LE ROY HILL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have 5 invented a new and useful Improvement in Loose-Leaf Binders, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates particularly to transfer binders; and my primary object is to pro10 vide improved and simplified means for the adjustment of the upper clamping-bar upon the posts of the binder.

The invention is illustrated in its preferred embodiment in the accompanying drawing,

in which—

Figure 1 represents a broken perspective view of a transfer binder constructed in accordance with my invention; Fig. 2, a broken sectional view taken as indicated at line 2 of 20 Fig. 1; Fig. 3, a broken sectional view taken as indicated at line 3 of Figs. 2 and 4; and Fig. 4, a broken sectional view taken as indicated at line 4 of Fig. 3.

In the construction illustrated, A, A¹ rep25 resent the upper and lower cover-sections, respectively, of a binder; B, B¹, upper and lower clamping-bars flexibly connected, respectively, with the upper and lower coversections; C, C¹, sectionally-constructed bind30 ing-posts rigidly connected with the lower clamping-bar and extending freely through perforations provided in the upper clamping-bar near the ends thereof; and D, D¹, a pair of clamping-screws having threaded connec35 tion with the end portions of the upper clamping-bar and bearing at their inner ends against the binding-posts C, C¹.

The clamping-bars may be of any suitable construction. The upper clamping-bar is preferably of tubular or hollow construction, being fitted at its ends with inserted plugs b secured in place by pins b. The plugs b are provided with threaded perforations which extend longitudinally of the bar B and receive the clamping-screws D, D. The lower clamping-bar projects somewhat beyond the

ends of the upper clamping-bar and the heads d of the clamping-screws bear against the outer ends of the plugs b and lie above the projecting ends of the lower bar and inside the 50 plane of longitudinal edges of the cover-sections, the outer end-surfaces of the heads of the screws being substantially flush with the ends of the lower bar. The screws are preferably oppositely threaded, this arrangement 55 facilitating the manipulation of the screws.

The construction of the sectional bindingposts is well understood, and need not be de-

scribed

To adjust the upper clamping-bar on the 60 binding-posts, it is only necessary to turn the clamping-screws outwardly slightly, i. e. unturn the screws, move the upper bar upwardly or downwardly, as desired, and then turn the screws inwardly to securely clamp 65 the upper bar to the binding-posts. The disposition of the clamping-screws is such as to protect them in the ordinary use of the binder, and prevent the screws from being brought into contact with the table. The 70 construction is exceedingly cheap, thoroughly durable and reliable, and perfectly adapted to the purpose.

What I regard as new, and desire to secure

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by Letters Patent, is-

In a binder, the combination with a lower clamping-bar and binding-posts rising therefrom, of a tubular upper clamping-bar having perforations receiving said posts, the ends of the upper clamping-bar lying some distance within the planes of the longitudinal edges of the cover-sections, end-plugs in said upper clamping-bar having threaded perforations, and clamping-screws extending through said perforations and engaging said posts and having heads lying substantially inside the planes of the longitudinal edges of said cover-sections.

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