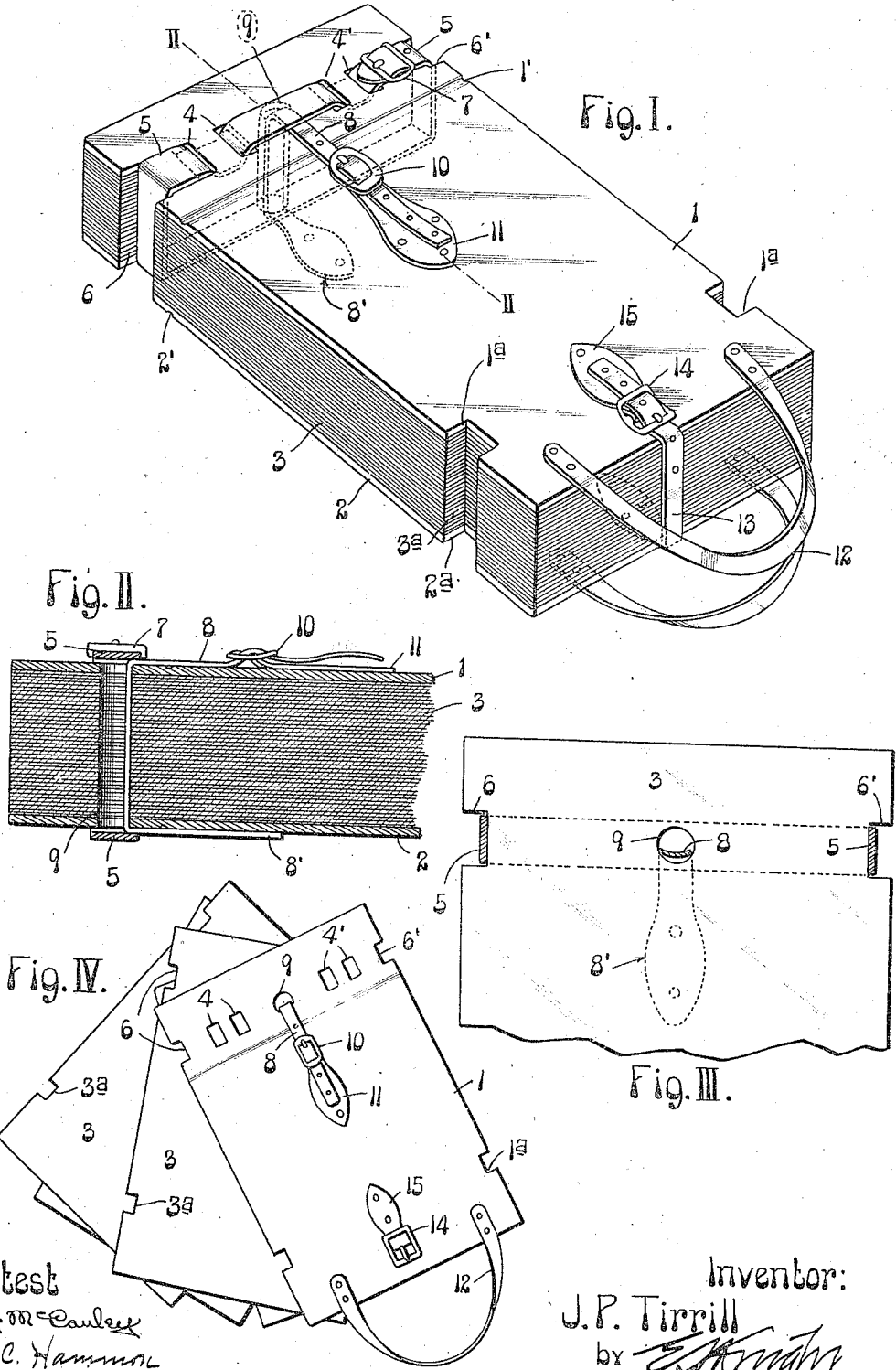


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JACOB P. TIRRILL, a citizen of the United States of America, residing in the city of St. Louis and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Sample-Sheet Holders, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in removable sample sheet holders, and has for its object to provide a simple and compact arrangement whereby a varying number of sheets may be inserted or removed from the covers, and the increase or reduction in thickness be adjusted.

Another object of my invention is to provide a flexible pivot for the covers and intermediate leaves, whereby they may be swung thereon for displaying said leaves without the necessity of removing the leaves from the book.

Figure I is a perspective view of my holder as it is used for holding samples of paper board. Fig. II is a section taken on line II—II, Fig. I. Fig. III is a detail view of a part of one of the paper boards showing the perforation for the pivot, the flexible pivot being shown in section. Fig. IV is a top view of the holder illustrated, in which the samples are turned relative to each other and to the cover to expose them to view.

In the accompanying drawings: 1 and 2 designate, respectively, the top and back covers, and 3 the samples of paper or paper board between these covers. The cover 1 is provided with perforations 4 and 4' for the reception of a strap 5 which passes about the covers and their contents intermediate of one of the ends of the book. Recesses or slots 6 and 6' are preferably provided in the sides of the covers, and the sheets therebetween, for the reception of the strap 5. This strap is preferably secured by a buckle 7 secured to one of its ends.

8 designates a strap secured at 8' to the cover 2 and passing through a perforation 9 through the covers 1 and 2, and the sheets therebetween, and secured in any desired adjustable manner to the cover 1, such as a buckle 10 secured to the strap 11 fastened to the cover 1.

12 designates a pair of handles fastened

respectively to the top and back covers 1 and 2.

13 designates a strap secured to the lower cover 2 and provided with perforations, and adapted to be secured to the top cover 1 by a buckle 14 carried by the strap 15 secured to the top cover.

In the use of my holder, any desired number of leaves are threaded upon the flexible strap 8 on top of the back cover 2, after which the top cover 1 is also threaded on said pivot strap 8, which is then secured to the top cover 1 by the buckle connection secured thereto. The strap 5 is then passed about the book at the pivot end and secured by means of the buckle 7. The strap 13 at the open end of my holder is then secured to the buckle 14, when the holder is in condition to be carried by the handles 12.

When it is desired to inspect any of the sheets 3 in the holder, the strap 13 is disengaged from the buckle 14 and the strap 5 is disengaged from the buckle 7, when the covers and sheets are in condition to be swung about the pivot strap 8, as clearly illustrated in Fig. IV.

The sample sheet holders herein described are sometimes made of such size and utilized to contain samples of such weight as to render it infeasible to carry the sample holder and the samples therein by means of the handle, or handle straps 12 hereinbefore described. To provide for the sample holder or samples being readily carried under conditions such as that just referred to, I produce in the top and back covers of the holder notches 1^a and 2^a, and in the samples 3, notches 3^a that register with the notches in the covers. These several notches are located near the ends of the covers and samples farthest removed from the end at which the strap 5 is located, and they permit of a supplementary strap being placed around the covers and samples, occupying said notches and making it possible for a handle to be applied to the two straps in a manner similar to that in which the handle of a shawl strap is applied to its straps, whereby a carrier for the sample holder is furnished by which it may be carried with readiness, even though the holder and samples be of great weight.

I claim:

1. In a sample holder, top and back covers, leaves between said covers, a flexible

pivot swingingly connecting said cover and leaves at one end, and handles mounted on the other ends of said covers, said handles being adapted to hold said covers in position
5 covering the leaves.

2. A sample holder comprising top and back covers, sample sheets, a flexible adjustable pivot strap passing through said covers and sheets, and a binding strap adapted to
10 pass about said covers and sheets.

3. In a sample holder, top and back covers connected by a flexible pivot adjustable in length, and means other than said pivot for holding said covers against relative pivotal
15 movement.

4. A device of the character described comprising covers, sample sheets arranged between said covers, an adjustable strap piv-

otally connecting said parts, said sheets and covers being provided with recesses in their
20 side edges, and an adjustable binding strap surrounding said sheets and covers, said binding strap being removably mounted in said recesses so as to constitute a lock for
25 said pivotally connected parts.

5. A sample holder comprising top and back covers, sample sheets therebetween, a flexible pivot strip connecting said covers and sheets, and a binding strip extending
30 about said covers and sheets adjacent said pivot strip, said covers being provided with slots for holding said binding strip.

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