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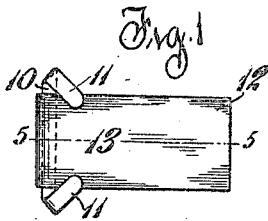


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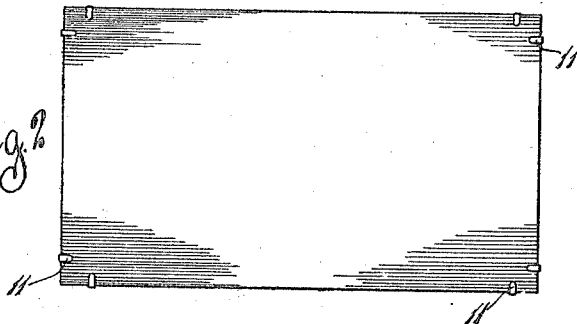


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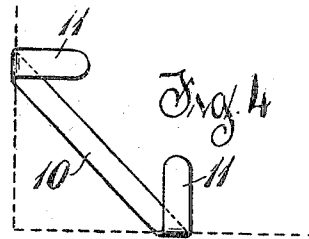
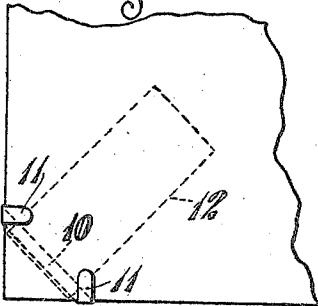


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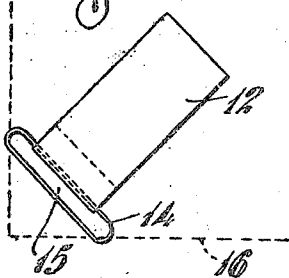


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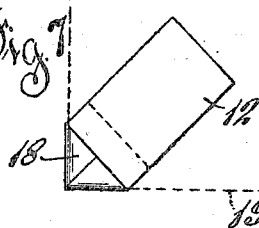


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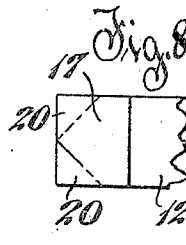


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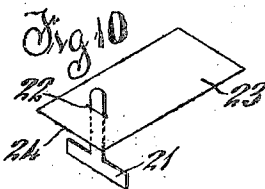


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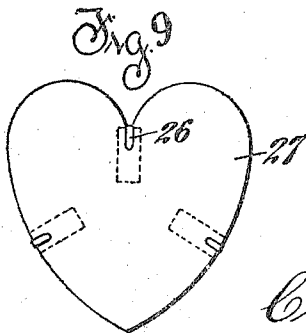
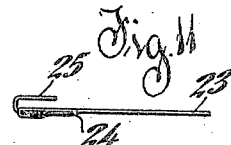


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CLIFFORD EWING, a citizen of the United States, residing at Covington, in the county of Kenton and State of Kentucky, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Post-Card Holders, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to holders for post cards, photographs and such other exhibits as are generally preserved by being placed in an album or other form of book.

The well known method of forming slots and strips or bars in the leaf of the album to receive the post cards whereby it is necessary to lift up the strip between the slots and insert the cards has many disadvantages, such as tearing out the strip, weakening the leaf and covering part of the view of the card.

It is the object of my invention to provide means for neatly inserting a post card or any other similar exhibit of any shape or size in an album or book at any desired angle, or at any particular place upon the leaf of same, without employing the unsightly bars or strips formed by cutting the slots in the leaf.

One of the advantages of my device is that it permits the use of more space on the leaves of the album, and it affords a more compact method of mounting. The cards may be placed in any desired design, formation or arrangement upon the leaf and the view of the illustrations on the cards is unobstructed by the holder.

With my invention in use for post card albums the holders for the postals are less conspicuous than the old style bars or strips and slots in the leaf, and this adds neatness to the appearance.

Another advantage of my invention is that the cards are more firmly held in position and may be quickly and easily removed without danger to the holder or leaf.

My invention is extremely simple in construction and comprises certain new and useful combinations of parts which will hereinafter be described and claimed.

Referring to the drawing: Figure 1 shows a view of my improved device. Fig. 2 shows a post card with my invention employed. Fig. 3 is an enlarged view showing a fragment of a post card with my invention employed. Fig. 4 is an enlarged view showing

a part of my improved post card holder. Fig. 5 is an enlarged section taken on the line 5-5 of Fig. 1. Fig. 6 shows a modification of my invention. Figs. 7 and 8 show another slight modification of my invention. Fig. 9 shows a modification of my invention applied to a card of irregular shape. Fig. 10 is an isometric view showing a modification of my invention illustrating the manner in which the parts are put together. Fig. 11 is a section taken through the middle of the modification shown in Fig. 9 after the strip has been bent to its proper position.

Referring more particularly to the drawings, I show a strip 10 made of some suitable pliable material in order that the tips or ends 11 may be bent to any desired angle. I provide a tail 12 made of some suitable material, preferably flexible, and gummed on one side in order that it may be moistened and attached securely to a leaf of an album. The tail 12 may be made of paper or any other suitable material that may be wrapped about the strip 10 as shown in Fig. 5. It is seen that in this view the tail 12 is wrapped once around the strip 10 thus forming a means for holding the tail 12 to the strip 10. The strip 10 is best shown in Fig. 4, and is shown bent over at the ends forming the said tips or ears 11. It is the purpose of these ears 11 to extend over the post card and form means for holding said post card in any position desired. Thus, it is seen that the entire post card clip 13 may be placed in any desired location on the leaf of the album or book and held securely thereto by the gum coating which is placed on its back.

In Fig. 6 I show a modification of my improved clip which is made in this case of a thin piece of wire 14 bent so as to form a loop 15. The tail 12 may be easily applied to this loop as shown in this figure. The post card is indicated by the dotted line 16 which shows how this loop may be adapted to the post card, the corner of the post card extending through the loop 15.

In Figs. 7 and 8 I show another modification of my invention. This modification comprises a metal tip 17 adapted to be bent down at the corners forming a pocket into which the post card indicated by the line 19 may be inserted. The tip 17 may be easily fastened to the tail 12 by attaching the adhesive side of the latter thereto and wrapping same around the entire surface

of the tip, thus forming the structure shown in Fig. 8. Then the corners at 20 may be bent to the position indicated in Fig. 7.

Referring more particularly to Fig. 10 5 it is seen that this modification is made of a T-shaped piece of metal 21 inserted through a slot 22 in an adhesive strip or tail 23. After the stem of the T-shaped piece of metal is inserted in the slot in the tail 23 10 the portion of the tail 23 lying between the slot 22 and the edge 24 of the tail is lapped over the T-shaped piece of metal, as shown in Fig. 11. Then the stem portion of the piece of metal 21 is bent over to form a catch 15 25. The advantage of having but one catch on my improved holder is readily seen in Fig. 9 where it is adapted to a novelty in post cards. For instance, a clip 26 is placed in the extreme lower end of the V-shaped 20 portion of the heart shaped post card 27 and serves to hold it more securely and more neatly than one of the holders with two catches. For this reason my improved post card holder will be very desirable in cases 25 where it is desired to insert somewhat of a novelty in post cards in the album or book or to engage the middle part of very long cards, the ends of which are fastened as shown in Fig. 2. When it is desired to place a post 30 card in an album it is first necessary to place the post card in its proper position in the improved post card holder, then by slightly moistening the back of the tail fastened to the holder the card may be adjusted to the 35 leaf in any position desired. After the first corner of the post card has been fastened by the holder it is very easy to moisten the other holders before placing them in their

proper position relatively to the post card and then securing them to their desired position. Thus are apparent the advantages 40 my invention has over the old style method of holding post cards employing slots and strips or bars in the leaf of the album.

What I claim as new and desire to secure 45 by Letters Patent is:

1. A device of the character described comprising a strip of pliable metal adapted to be bent over at the end to form a holder 50 for the edge of an exhibit made of thin material, and a strip of thin adhesive material fastened at one end to said strip of metal and adapted to be attached to an album leaf, substantially as set forth.

2. A device of the character described 55 comprising a strip of metal adapted to be bent over at the ends at any given angle to form a holder for exhibits made of thin sheets of material, and a strip of thin material 60 gummed on one side and fastened at one end to said metal holder, substantially as set forth and for the purposes specified.

3. A device of the character described comprising a piece of thin metal, a strip of thin material gummed on one end to said 65 piece of metal, the two outermost corners of the piece of metal being bent to form a pocket to receive the corner of an exhibit made of a sheet of thin material, substantially as set forth and for the purposes 70 specified.

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