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Fig. 1.

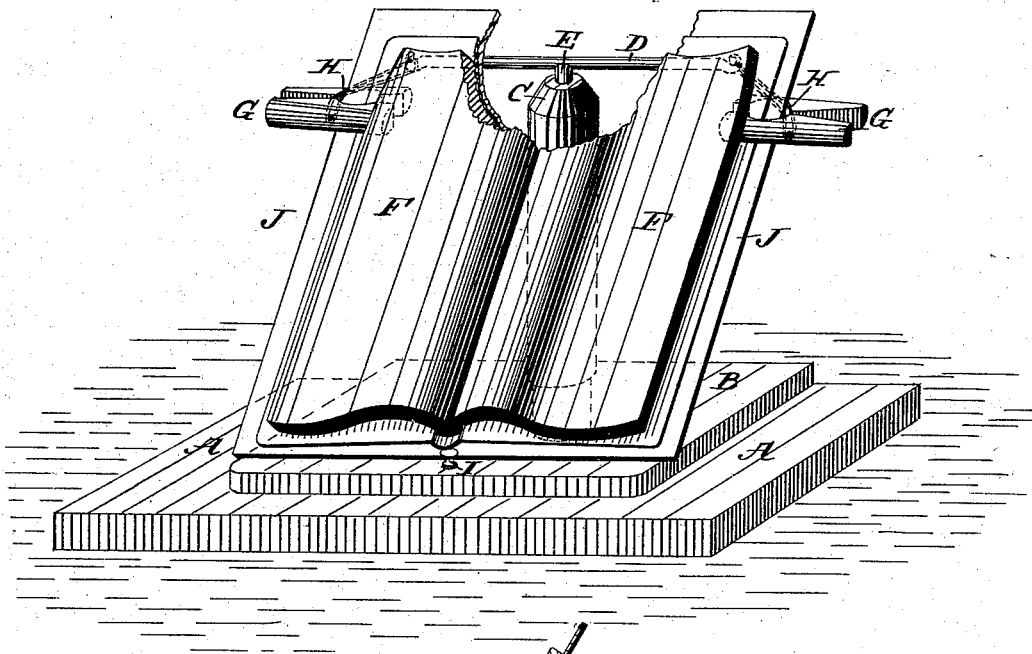
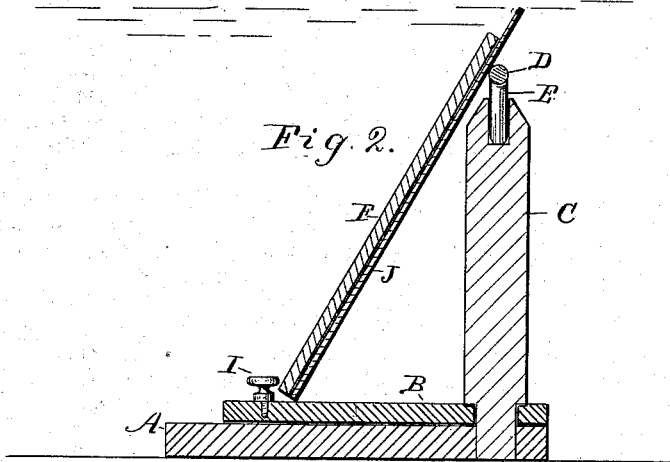


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM B. BROWN, of West Union, Adams county, Ohio, have invented a new and Improved Book-Holder, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention consists of a book-holder contrived to support the book in a suitable inclined position for convenience in copying from it; also, to hold the leaves open, and also so that the book may, when so held, be shifted around on a vertical pivot for turning it to suit the convenience of the user for sight and for other purposes, as hereinafter described, reference being made to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a perspective view, with a part broken out, of my improved book-holder, together with a book thereon; and Fig. 2 is a central vertical cross-section.

A represents a suitable base-plate, on which is another plate, B, fitted so as to turn on A around the axis of a post, C, fitted on the base-plate A, and supporting a horizontal rod or bar, D, on its top by a pivot, E, of said rod inserted in a vertical socket in the top of post C.

F represents the open book, resting at the bottom near the front edge of the plate B, and bearing across the rod D near the top of said book.

G represents a couple of spring paper-clips, connected to the rod D, one at each end, by rubber, spiral, or other springs, H, said springs being attached to the pivots of the clips and arranged with hooks in the end of the rod, so that they can be stretched outward more or less from the ends of the bar to engage with books of different sizes, and being clipped onto the edges of the books, as represented in the drawings, to hold them on the bar D, and also to hold the bars open, if desired.

J represents a thin board or sheet of stiff card-board, that may be used if desired, to rest on plate B and rod D, to place the book on in case it is too small to reach the rod; but it may be dispensed with, if desired.

I represents a knob-stud attached to plate B at its front edge and at the foot of the book to keep it from slipping off the rod D when not held by the clips, and also for use to turn the plate B. It will be seen that when plate B is turned with the book on it that the rod D will also turn by and with the book, making a very convenient book-rest to be used on a table or desk.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. The combination, with the base A and the stationary post C, of the revolving plate B and the rod D, pivoted in the upper end of said post, and carrying spring-clips at its ends, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. The combination of the base-plate A, plate B, revolving thereon, stationary post C, rotary bar D, and the paper-clips G, substantially as specified.

3. The paper-clips G and springs H, in combination with revolving rod D, stationary post C, rotary plate B, and the stationary plate A, substantially as specified.

4. The knob-stud I, rotary plate B, post C, rotary arms D, and paper-clips G, in combination, substantially as specified.

5. The combination of board J with table B, rod D, and post C, substantially as specified.

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