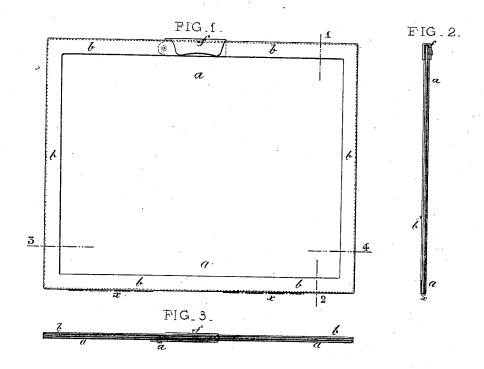
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SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 306,715, dated October 21, 1884.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, Honoré Théophile Brunet, professor, and Jules Charles Devèze, proprietor, citizens of France, residing at Sisteron, Basses Alpes, in the Republic of France, have invented new and useful Improvements in Portfolios, (for which we have obtained patents in England, No. 3,328, dated July 5, 1883, for fourteen years; France, No. 154,625, dated April 5, 1883, for fifteen years; Belgium, No. 62,146, dated July 27, 1883, for fifteen years,) of which the following is a specification.

The object of this invention is to preserve
the edges and sides of copy-books or other thin books, or sheets of drawing or other paper from dirt, breakage, or dogs'-ears.

The invention consists of the new combination of parts hereinafter pointed out.

Figure 1 is a face view of our improved portfolio. Figs. 2 and 3 are sections on the lines 1 2 and 3 4, respectively.

a, Fig. 1, is a card-board cover composed of two leaves that are hinged together, its dimensions being somewhat larger than the paper or papers it is intended to protect.

b is the metal frame, the width of whose sides and ends will vary to suit the margin of the paper to be preserved, the depth being sufficient to receive the thickness of the paper and

card-board cover a combined. The angles of the frame may be rounded. One of the sides is pierced with holes to receive a hinge, pin, or equivalent cord, by which the card-board cover a is hinged to the frame b. The opposite side of the frame b is furnished with the pivoted hasp f of metal, which folds over the card-board cover a.

When the copy-book or other paper is not in use, it is inclosed in the card-board cover, 40 which forms a kind of portfolio, and when in use the book or paper rests on the card-board cover, and the margin is protected by the frame b.

The frame may be cut from a sheet of metal, 45 or be made of a band of steel, iron, or copper with the angles bent up and made thicker than the flat parts of the frame.

We claim as our invention-

The metal frame b for containing copy or 50 other thin books or sheets of drawing or other paper, combined with the double cover a, to which said frame is hinged, and with the hasp f, substantially as herein shown and described.

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