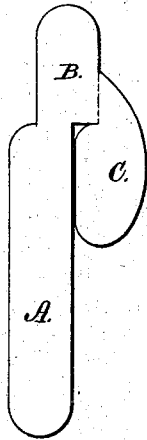


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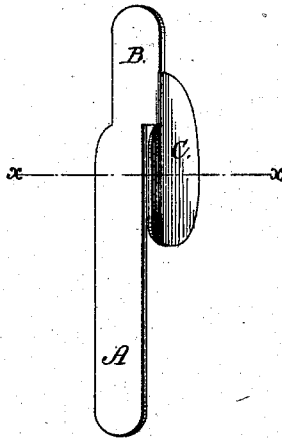
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN INDEXERS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN SUTER, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Indexer, or literary companion, embracing in its applicability a book-mark, reference-guide, movable indexer, paper cutter and folder, of which the following is a specification:

The object of my invention is to furnish a simple device for marking or denoting the place or page in a book which is required to be used or extracted from, and by the same contrivance, when attached to the book, to clasp against the outside cover or binding thereof blank paper, manuscript notes, and the like, used for memoranda or other purpose. The device is also adapted for use as a paper-cutter when detached from the book.

Figure 1 of the drawing represents the indexer in the flat, as cut or stamped from a metallic plate. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the device when bent into shape and fitted for use. Fig. 3 is a cross-section on line *x x* of Fig. 2.

The device consists of the parts A B C, which are cut or stamped out of tin or other thin metallic plate. The part or blade A is designed for insertion between the leaves of a book, to indicate the place where reading is

to be resumed, or an extract made, &c. The part B is an extension of A, and projects above the top of the book, to indicate the place where the book is to be opened when required for use. C is a wing or lateral projection of part B, which is so bent as to stand at right angles thereto, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3.

When the device is applied to a book, the part C is in contact with the back thereof, and acts as a clamp to hold the marker in place and prevent it becoming detached, and also to secure loose papers or slips on which notes or memoranda may be made.

When the device is detached from a book, the blade A serves as a paper cutter and folder, the part B being, in such case, used as the handle.

What I claim is—

The device consisting of the blade A, its extension B, and the wing or clamp C, substantially as shown and described.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my name in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

JOHN SUTER.

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