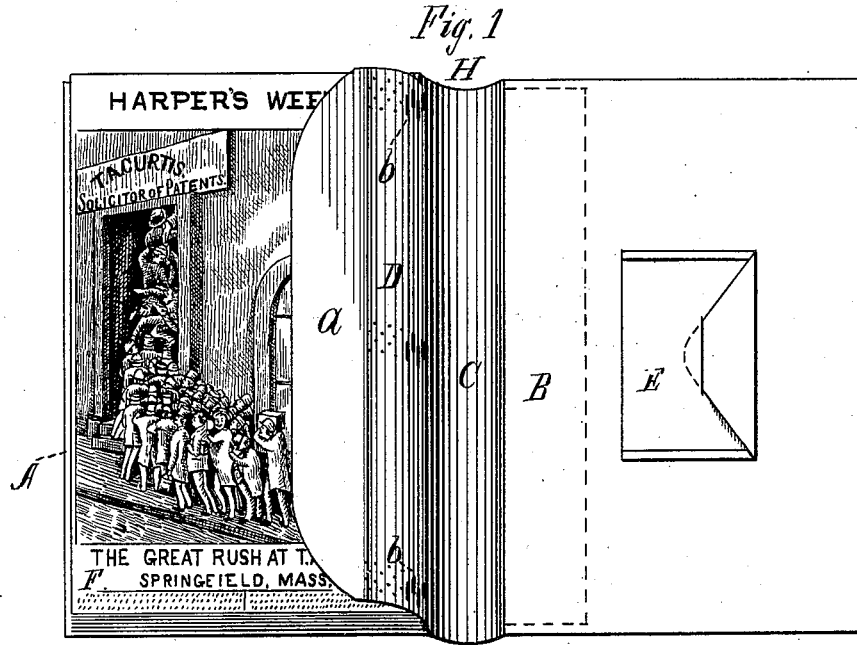


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IMPROVEMENT IN TEMPORARY BINDERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JESSE F. TAPLEY, of the city of Springfield, county of Hampden, State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Improvement in the Manufacture of Temporary Binders for Holding Newspapers, Books, &c.; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and clear description thereof, which will enable others to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification.

My invention has for its object the filing of papers and periodicals for temporary preservation and reference; and it consists of a binder composed of two lids, united by a permanent back, and having a loose back, to which the papers are temporarily secured, one by one, when desired, by wires inserted through the loose back and fold of the papers, and bent down, as will be more fully hereinafter described.

Figure 1 represents a plan view of my improved cover, showing several folds of paper fastened in; Fig. 2, a transverse section of the same filled with paper. Fig. 3 is an end view of my invention.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both drawings.

A represents one lid of the cover; B, the other lid; C, a permanent back that holds the two lids together; D, a back attached permanently to one lid, but detachable from the other; and E, a pocket fastened to one lid of the cover, to hold wire staples, needles, or any other device for fastening the papers to the back; and F, papers fastened to the back D.

The cover may be made of cloth, leather, or any other suitable material, and put together in the usual method familiar to book-binders. It is made with two backs—one, C, attached permanently to the boards of which the cover is in part composed, and the other, D, with only one side so attached. The opposite edge of this back has a flap or projection, *a*, hinged to it, by which it can be attached or detached from the lid B, at will.

The lid of the cover B is composed of two pieces of board, pasted or glued together, except a portion near the inner edge, of sufficient width to allow the flap *a* to slip in be-

tween them, as shown in Fig. 2. This loose back may be made of cloth, leather, or any suitable material, and should be of sufficient strength for the purpose required. At the point where it is permanently attached to the cover, and at the line where the flap joins, it is made flexible, so as to bend easily.

The pocket E is made in the form of a letter-envelope, with a slit cut in the upper side to admit of tucking in the point of the flap, for the purpose of holding its contents more securely. It may be made of paper, leather, or any suitable material, and is fastened permanently to the inside of the cover, so that its contents may be always at hand when needed to fasten the paper into the cover.

The operation of fastening the papers into the cover is as follows: Slip the tucking-flap *a* out from between the boards of the lid B, and raise the back to the position shown in Fig. 1. Then take one of the wire staples and pass through the back, as shown at *b*, Fig. 1, and through the center of the fold of paper to be fastened. Then bend the ends of the staples down close to the paper, which secures it strongly to the back. Then slip the flap *a* between the boards of the lid B, and the operation is complete. Repeat this process as often as is necessary until the cover is full.

In place of wire staples a needle and thread may be used, passing the thread through at one point and back at another, and tying the ends together, or any other suitable fastening may be adopted.

If it is desirable at any time to remove any or all of the papers for any purpose, it can be done without injury to them by removing the wires or cutting the thread that holds them in, leaving the back in good condition for receiving others.

The outer back C, covering the inner one, hides the fastenings, and may be lettered or ornamented with any suitable design, giving it the effect of a regularly-bound book.

By this invention I furnish a cheap and durable cover, particularly adapted to the wants of a large class of people who wish to preserve newspapers and other works in a cheap and convenient form for reference or preservation.

Having thus described my invention, I

claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

An improved temporary binder, consisting of the two lids A and B, united by a permanent back, C, in combination with the loose back D, adapted for the insertion of wires *b* through holes made therein, said back being secured at one side to the lid A, and having

the tucking-flap *a* at its other side, all arranged and constructed substantially as and for the purpose hereinbefore described and set forth.

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