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IMPROVEMENT IN PAPER-FILES.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, BARUH NEY and HENRY HOF-HEIMER, both of the city and county of Alexandria, in the State of Virginia, have invented a new and useful Advertising Newspaper-File; and we do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, sufficient to enable others skilled in the art to which our invention appertains to fully understand and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which are made a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure I is a front view of the device, illustrating

our invention, and

Figure 2 is a side view thereof.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding

parts in the two figures.

This paper-file consists of a suitable stock or frame, to which the papers or sheets are impaled by a detaining-rod armed with prongs; and around a part of said frame is a marginal casing or series of card-holders, designed to afford an effective means of displaying a number of business-cards.

In the drawings, A may represent a stock or frame,

of wood, metal, or other material.

It will be seen that the frame A is so constructed as to support the papers contained in the file at or near their outer edges. The advantage of this will be readily appreciated by those accustomed to use the ordinary files for newspapers.

C is a rod, bar, or piece of wood or metal, hinged or pivoted to the stock A at a, and having a series of prongs or pointed pins, c, which, by penetrating the paper, and entering a corresponding series of small holes, a, in the stock A, serve to secure the paper or sheets to said stock.

When the rod C is turned down, so as to be, throughout its entire length, in contiguity with the stock A, it is held at its free end by a suitable catch at D, the sheets being thus made fast between the rod and the stock by the pins c.

E and E' are parts suitably connected together and joined to the frame or stock A, and constituting a series of card-holders, said parts being rebated or grooved in such a way that cards may be slid into them from the direction of the retaining-rod C. The cards being thus introduced, may be confined therein for any length of time, by the metallic strips F, or otherwise, said

strips being screwed to the stock A.

It will be noticed that when the newspapers are properly attached to the frame or stock, the entire marginal series of cards will be exposed and presented to the view of the spectator, simultaneously with the titlepage of the sheets on file, and, by their weight, serving to counterbalance the weight of the papers upon the part A' of the frame.

Hence the invention offers a simple and effective means of advertising, as well as a desirable paper-file.

Having thus described our invention,

What we claim as new herein, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The paper-file A, provided with an outer supporting-edge A', counterbalanced by the advertising-frames E, arranged and combined substantially as shown.

To the above we have signed our names, this 20th day of August, 1868.

BARUH NEY. HENRY HOFHEIMER.

Witnesses:

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