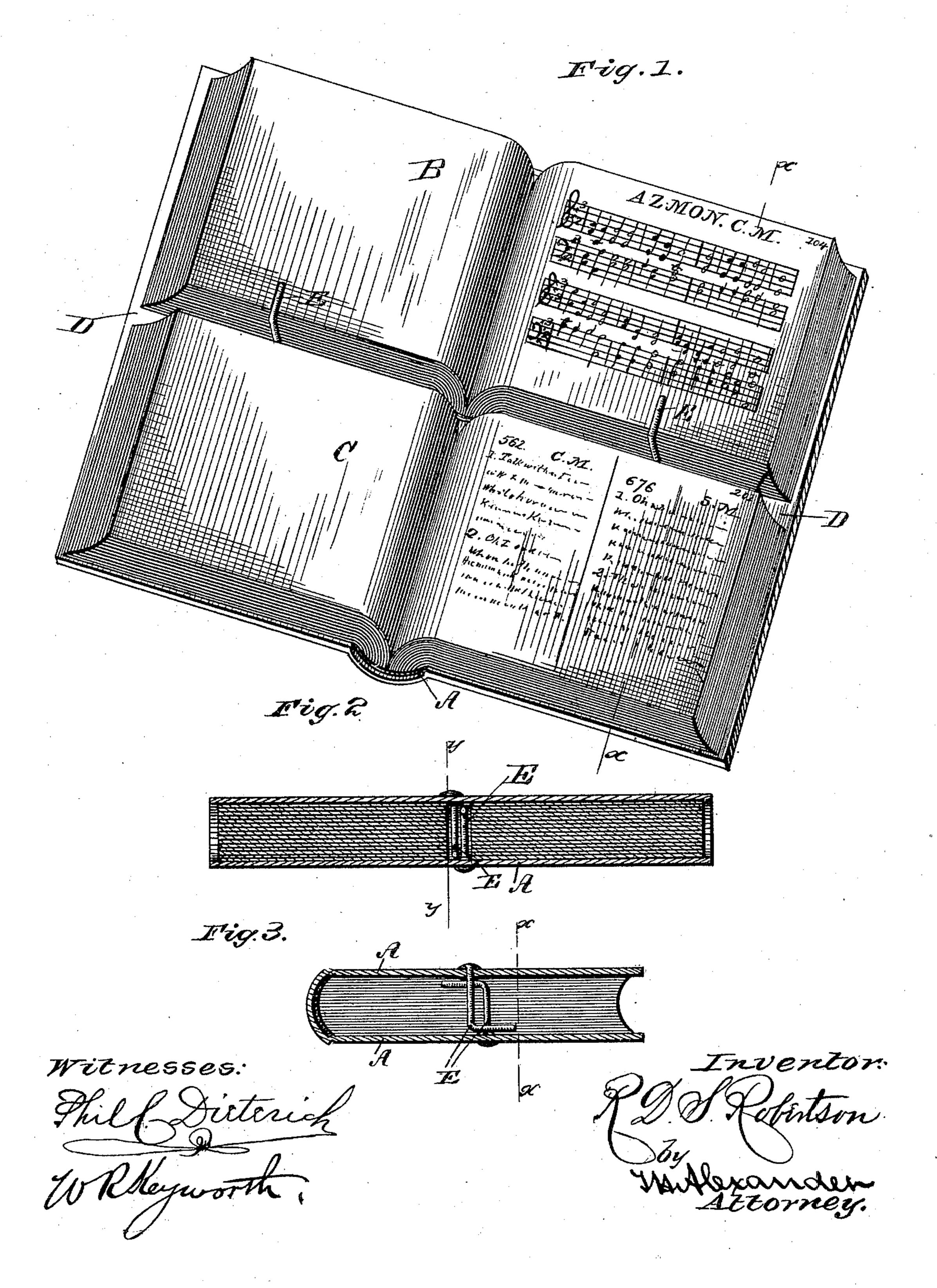
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, R. D'S. Robertson, of Columbia, in the county of Maury and State of Tennessee, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hymn and Music Books; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved hymn and music book combined. Fig. 2 is a section taken through the book, when shut, in the plane indicated by dotted line xx, Figs. 1 and 3. Fig. 3 is a cross-section through the shut book, indicated by the dotted line yy, Fig. 2.

This invention relates to a certain novel im-20 provement on music-books, which will be fully understood from the following description when taken in connection with the annexed

drawings.

A A designate the back of a book, which may be ornamented in the usual or in any improved manner, and B the body of that portion of the book which contains the music or the notes. The music may be arranged at the upper part or the lower part of the book, and the music itself may be arranged on the leaves in the usual well-known manner of preparing church or Sunday-school music.

C designates the body of that portion of the book on the leaves of which the hymns are printed. Between the upper and the lower

portions of the book I leave a space, D, and I bind the leaves of both portions in the cover in the well-known manner, so that in fact I have but one book or two books inclosed by a single cover. In the space D, and applied to 40 the two lids or covers so as to swivel, are wire turn-buttons or angular hooks E E, which are adapted for holding down the leaves of the upper or music section of the book when it is opened, the leaves of the lower or hymn sec- 45 tion being held in their places by the thumbs of the singer. It will thus be seen that any given piece of music and any given hymn contained in the book may, when brought or arranged in the desired relation to each other, 50 be secured in such position by means of the buttons or hooks E E.

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

The combination, with a succession of hymns and pieces of music bound independently of each other under one cover with a space between said hymns and pieces of music, of one or more buttons or hooks secured to the lid 60 or lids and projecting inwardly therefrom, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I hereby affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

ROBERT D'SHIELL ROBERTSON.

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