

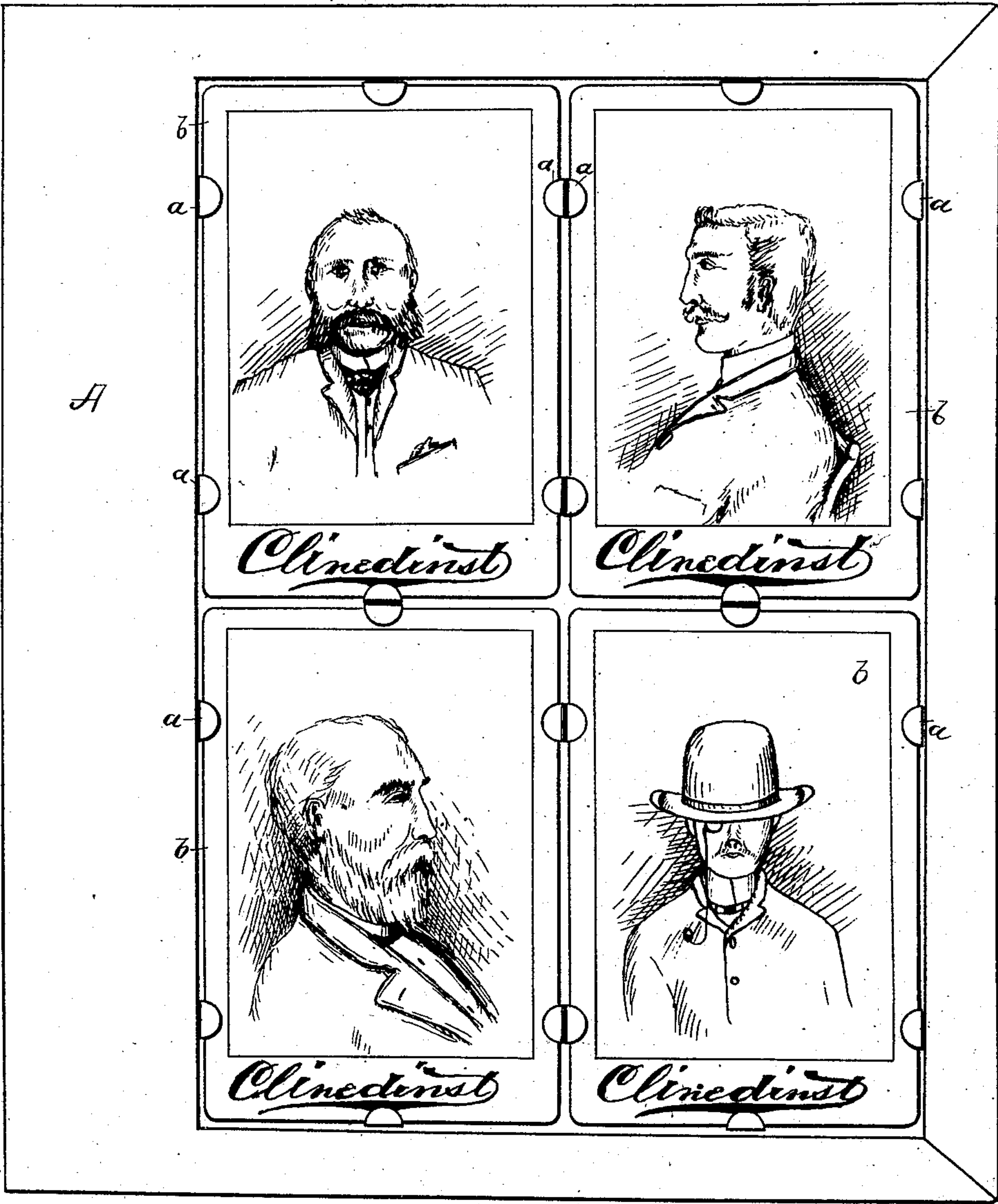
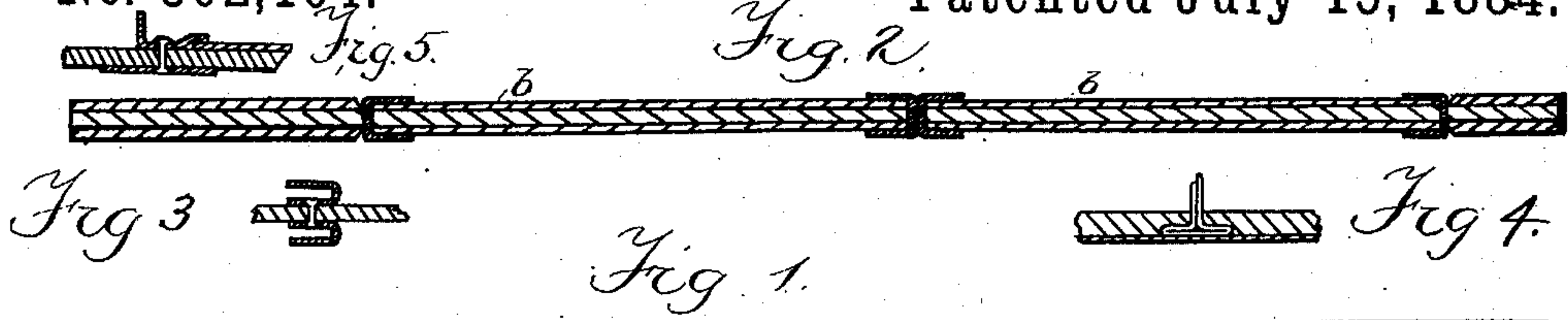
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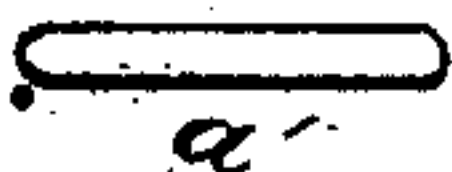
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Fig. 6.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, BARNETT M. CLINEDINST, a citizen of the United States, residing at Baltimore, in the county of Baltimore and State of Maryland, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Means for Mounting Photographs, Cards, &c.; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

The principal object of my invention is to increase the capacity of sheets or leaves for photographic albums; and it consists in a sheet of card or other paper board provided with flexible metallic ears or clips, arranged with definite relation to each other, so that they may embrace and clamp the edges of one or more cards.

It also consists in a body or base of paper-board provided with a raised border and flexible clips to clamp superposed cards.

It also consists in the combination, with a sheet of straw or other board, of clips of flexible material extending through said board and adapted to be bent over the edges of cards placed on opposite faces of said sheet.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a view representing a sheet or board of straw-paper or other material having pictures mounted thereon according to my invention. Fig. 2 is a section of the board, the pictures, and the clips in position. Figs. 3, 4, and 5 illustrate different ways of connecting the clips with the board. Fig. 6 shows different forms of clips.

A is a base, of card or other paper board, which is provided or armed with flexible clips or clamps *a*. These clips are preferably made from sheet metal in the form of a disk, the double ones, however, being formed for convenience in handling of two disks joined by a short web, as shown in Fig. 6. The board A is provided with small slots for the reception of the clips, cut at the proper points, according to the size and shape of the picture or card to be mounted. These slots are made so that when the clips or disks are inserted they will fit closely. A board having been thus fitted with the slots and clips or disks, the cards *b* are placed in the proper spaces,

and that part of the clip projecting above the face of the board is turned or bent down over the same, thus securely fastening it to the board. To remove the picture or card, it is only necessary to raise a part of the clips, when the picture may be removed and another put in its place.

In the group of figures marked 6, I have shown simply a straight, flat strip, *a'*, which may be used as a clip in place of the disk. The clips are cut from thin sheet metal, preferably in the form of disks joined together in pairs, and may be ornamented with figures of any desired pattern, and gilded, and may be put up in boxes and sold separately as an article of trade for use in mounting cards upon any suitable base. The margins should be raised to an extent equal to the thickness of the cards or pictures to be mounted, so that the sheet may operate in the nature of a frame to guard the face of the pictures from injury by chafing when either face of the sheet is in contact with another sheet or with a plane surface.

For photographic albums the sheets may be made with decorative margins, and should be of such size as to afford means of binding them together in book form. The sheets, when so bound, are to be interleaved with firm paper, which may be laid off in squares or rectangles, within which a sketch or explanation of the print opposite the same may be inserted, and serves as a cushion to protect the faces of the prints. The clips nearest the outside of the sheet will ordinarily be single, while those between the edges of the card will be double, as shown. Where cards are to be mounted only on one side of a sheet—as, for example, the inside of the cover of an album—the board or cover should be built up of two or more thicknesses of material, the clips passed through one of them, and the heads covered by the other. Ordinarily, the sheets will be prepared and the clips inserted and bent down in the proper position for cards of a given size, and albums will have some leaves or sheets for each of the sizes of cards generally adopted by photographers; but it is obvious that arrangement may be made for cards of different sizes on the same sheet.

It is observed that all sheets may be built up of two or more thicknesses of board, and that the clips may have one of their ends embedded between the layers, and thus pictures 5 or cards of different sizes may be conveniently mounted on opposite sides of the sheet.

By my invention the entire sight of both sides of a sheet may be utilized, and the entire face of the card is displayed—trade-mark, 10 trade-name, and all.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new is—

1. The combination of a sheet or base of card or other paper board, and flexible ears 15 or clips, substantially such as described, adapted to be bent to clamp the edges of cards and hold them against the face of the sheet, as specified.

2. The combination, with a sheet of paper-board, of a number of flexible ears or clips 20 arranged with relation to the sheet and with each other, as shown and described, whereby

a number of cards may be clamped and held with their edges adjacent to each other for simultaneous display, substantially as described. 25

3. The combination, with a sheet of straw or other board, of clips of flexible material extending through said boards, adapted to be bent over the edges of cards on opposite sides 30 of the sheet, substantially as described.

4. The combination, with a sheet of paper-board provided with a raised border, of flexible clips adapted to be bent over and to clamp 35 the edges of cards or pictures, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing, I hereunto affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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