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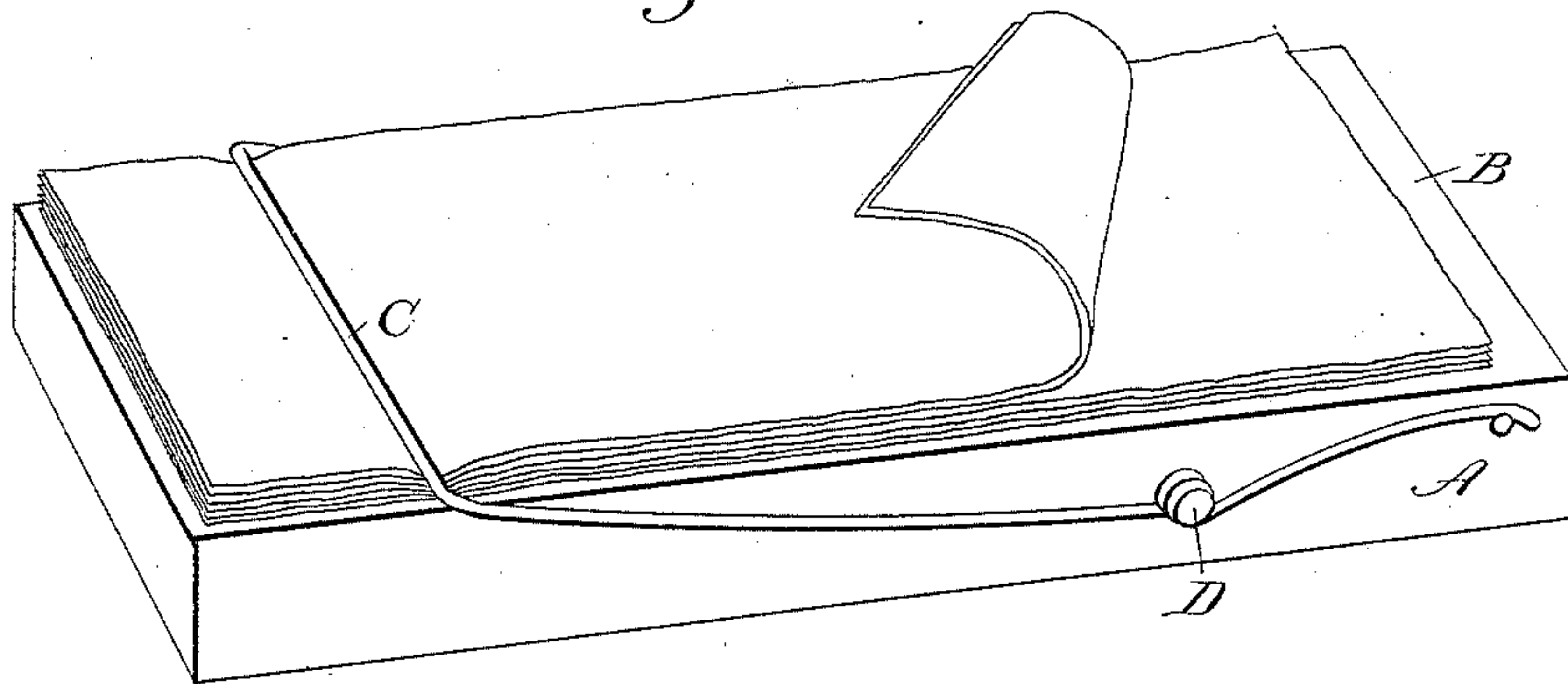
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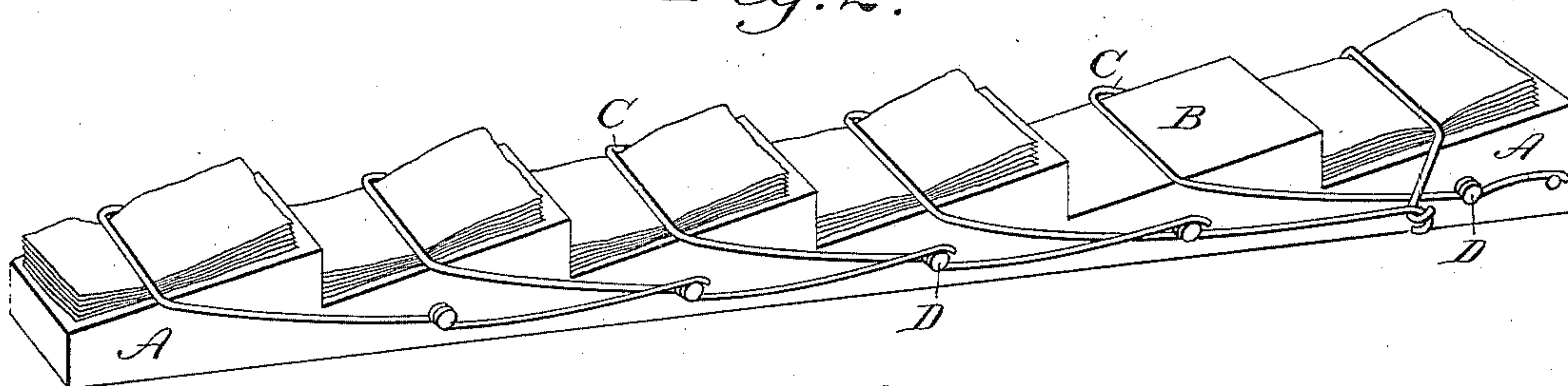
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



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## HOLDER FOR PAPER SACKS, &c.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, CHAS. B. TOMPKINS and PERRY J. STANDARD, citizens of the United States, residing in the city of Lewistown, county of Fulton, and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Paper-Holders; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

Our invention is for the purpose of holding druggists' labels, paper sacks, and other papers in numbers of fifty, more or less, so firmly in position that one of the number may be separated and withdrawn without deranging the remaining ones. We attain these objects by the mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents the device for holding only one bag or paper, and Fig. 2 represents the device for holding a series of papers.

A A is a form, of wood or other light material, with a plane surface, B, as in Fig. 1, for holding only bunch of papers, and in Fig. 2 with a series of inclined planes, B B, for holding a series of papers, the size of the planes to be the same as the papers to be held, respectively. These inclined planes B B are so arranged that the right-hand end of any bunch of papers will be above the left-hand end of the adjoining bunch, so that the last of any bunch of papers may be withdrawn without interfering with the adjoining ones.

C C are wire springs passing over the pa-

pers and down the sides of the form A A, with one or more coils around the pivot D and passing onto the second pivot D. D D are pivots around which the wire spring is coiled, holding one spring in position and furnishing a support for the ends of the next spring. The first and third lot of papers from the right end are held by a single wire only, as in the drawings, so that one bunch of papers furnishes a support to the spring to hold the other bunch of papers in place, and vice versa. The papers are held firmly down by the elasticity of the springs, and are held from any sidewise movements by the shape of the springs, which bend down each side of the form as they approach the pivot around which it is coiled.

We claim—

1. The combination of a spring with a base, arranged in the manner and for the purposes set forth.

2. An inclined base, in combination with a spring, arranged in the manner and for the purposes set forth.

3. The manner of holding the papers, tables, tickets, paper bags, &c., from sidewise motion by means of the springs passing down the sides of the papers, &c., and fastened to the base A, as described.

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