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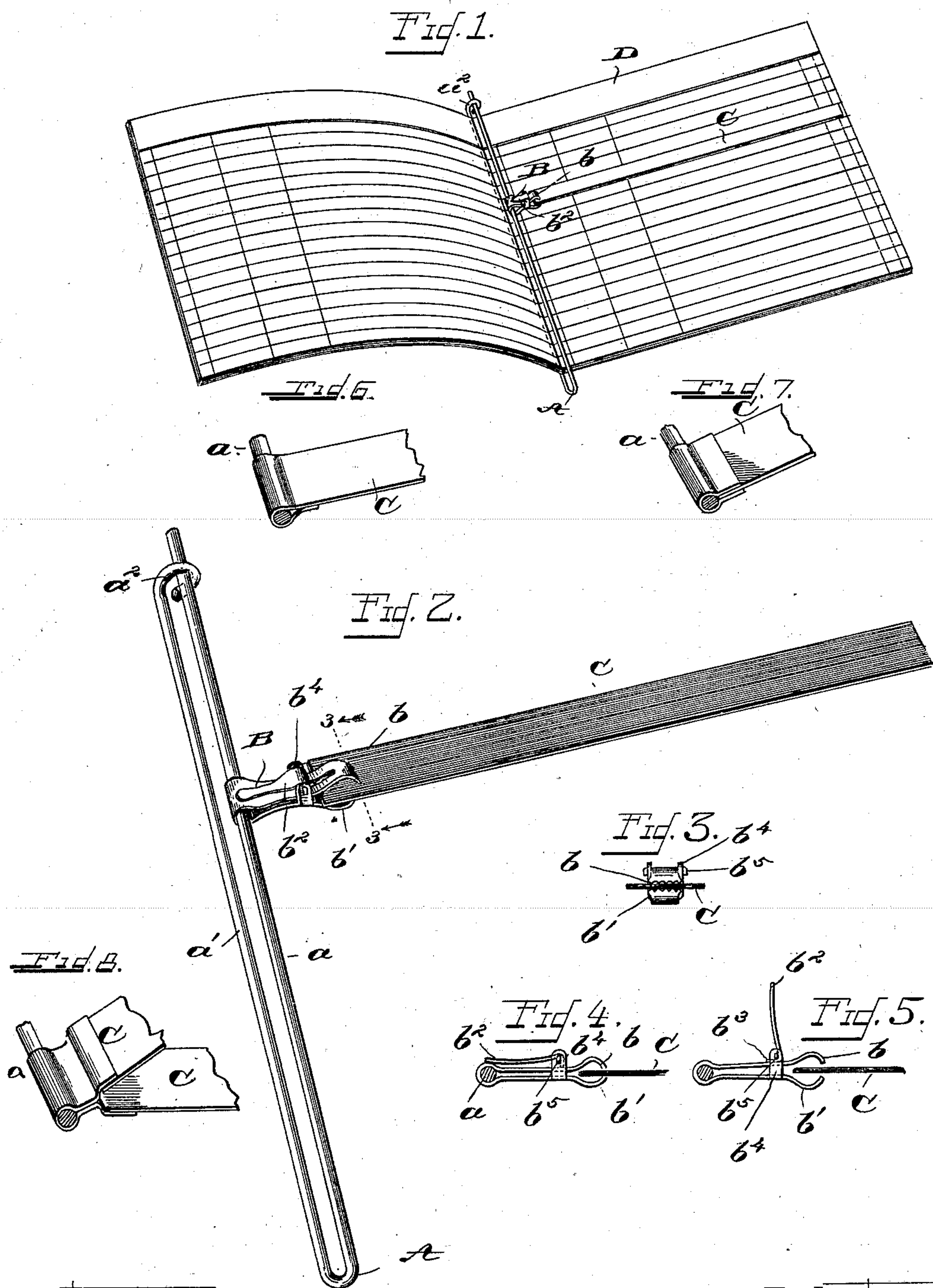
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE W. HOAGLEN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Adjustable Holders for Copy-Slips and other Articles, of which the following is a specification.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, wherein like reference-letters indicate the same or corresponding parts, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a book, showing the preferred form of my device as applied to children's copy-books. Fig. 2 is an enlarged perspective view of a portion of the parts shown in Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a detail of a portion of the parts shown in Figs. 1 and 2, taken on the line 3 3 of Fig. 2 and viewed in the direction indicated by the arrows at the top and bottom of said figure. Fig. 4 is a detail of one form of copy-slip or blotter-engaging device that may be employed in connection with the other parts of my invention, showing the position the parts thereof assume when engaged with said slip or blotter and the bar *a*. Fig. 5 illustrates the position the parts of the engaging device assume when not engaging the slip or blotter *C*. Figs. 6 and 7 are fragmentary views illustrating two means by which the copy-slip *C* may be adjustably and removably attached to the rod *a* without employing the rod and copy-slip-engaging device *B* shown in Fig. 2. Fig. 8 is a fragmentary view illustrating one manner in which several copy-slips or blotters may be simultaneously and adjustably and removably fastened upon the rod *a*.

To obviate the necessity of repetition throughout the description and claim, it will be understood that the words "copy slip" or "slips" where used will signify said slip or slips, a blotter or blotters, or both slips and blotters; that the word "book" shall signify a book, blotting-pad, paper-block, or other similar article, and that wherever several terms are employed to signify the same or equivalent things any of said terms thereafter used singly shall be understood to include the other terms and their equivalents.

The object of my invention is to provide a cheap, attractive, and serviceable device that may be readily attached to or removed

from a book, provided with adjustable means whereby a copy-slip may be removably secured and readily moved from place to place upon the underlying surface; and to that end it consists in the features of construction and combination hereinafter to be more particularly described, and set forth in the claims hereto annexed.

The object of my invention is to provide an improved copy-slip-holding device which is so constructed that it is adapted to be attached to books, sheets of paper, &c., and which will enable the user to adjust the slip held thereby to any desired point upon the page or sheet and by means of which the slip can be detached from the device for the purpose of substituting another slip in its place or for reversing the slip, as may be desired.

I will now describe that form of my device which is shown in the drawings and intended to be used in connection with children's copy-books.

Referring to the drawings, *A* is one form of copy-book-engaging device that may be employed, consisting, preferably, of a wire bent to form the arms *a a'*, the arm *a'* being bent at its free end to form the hook *a²*, which hook is adapted to engage the free end of the arm *a'*, all the parts described operating in the well-known manner of a safety-pin.

B is a copy-slip-engaging device, preferably formed by bending a piece of sheet metal in such manner that one end will be adapted to engage the arm *a*, and the free ends form spring-jaws *b b'*.

b² is a lever having a cam-operating end *b³*, fulcrumed to the lips or flanges *b⁴* at the point *b⁵*, said lips being attached to or a part of the spring-jaw *b'*.

C is a copy-slip having upon it or attached to it letters, characters, words, or numerals to be used as a copy by the student in copying into the copy-book *D*.

The operation of this form of my device is as follows: The spring-arm *a* may be pressed toward the engaging arm *a'* and released from the loop *a²*. The device may then be slipped onto a book, as shown in Fig. 1, and the arm *a* pressed into engagement with the loop *a²*, thus securing the book or portion thereof between the two arms *a a'*. Assuming the parts of the copy-slip-engaging device

B to be in the open position shown in Fig. 5 and the copy-slip *c* inserted between the jaws *b b'*, as therein shown, by pressing the lever *b²* backwardly and downwardly toward the arm *a* the cam-operating end *b³* of the lever presses down upon the spring-jaw *b*, causing said jaw to approach the jaw *b'*, the two jaws gripping the copy-slip *C*, the parts described assuming the position shown in Figs. 1, 2, 3, and 4. The copy-slip-engaging device *B* being adjustable upon the arm *a*, the copy-slip may be moved from place to place upon the underlying surface, the student thus being able to regulate the distance at which the copy-slip shall be from the point at which he is endeavoring to make a facsimile of the characters thereon, thus doing away with the necessity of printed or engraved copies at the tops of the sheets within copy-books and the objectionable features hereinbefore set forth, which are common to all such books now known to the art.

A second use to which my device may be put is as an adjustable blotter-holder for bookkeepers' or others' use. In case of such use, in place of the copy-slip a blotter would be employed.

It is obvious that instead of the safety-pin form of book-engaging device any suitable means may be employed to retain the arm *a* in the proper position upon the underlying surface and that any suitable gripping device may be substituted for the jaws and lever; that the gripping device may be omitted and the copy-slip be provided with means attached thereto or forming a part thereof for adjustably and removably engaging the rod *a*, (see Figs. 6 and 7;) that the copy-slip, blotter, or other article may be of any size; that as many copy-slips may be employed as desired; that when a number of copy-slips are employed

the same may be used singly or fastened together in the manner of a book in such number as desired, (see Fig. 8;) that the characters on said slips to be copied may be attached to said slips or printed directly thereon, either on one or both sides thereof, or that a blotter may be attached to one side of the slip, or that the slip may in itself be a blotter, or that said slip and a blotter may be separately or simultaneously used; that the device as a whole and the article to which it may be attached may be of any suitable size; that the number, size, and form of the parts of the device may be greatly varied without departing from the principle of the invention, and it is further obvious that the uses to which my device may be put are not limited to those described.

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

An adjustable copy-slip holder comprising a straight rigid rod provided with means for detachably clamping it to a book, a slidable slip-holder having at its inner end an elongated socket receiving and fitting closely said straight rigid rod, whereby the holder is held firm in its movements, in respect to the book when moved upon said rod, and provided at its outer end with a movable slip-clamp constructed to firmly and detachably hold a copy-slip, whereby the copy-slip when adjusted in alinement will remain so when the holder is moved upon the said rigid rod for adjusting the slip in respect to the book, substantially as described.

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