

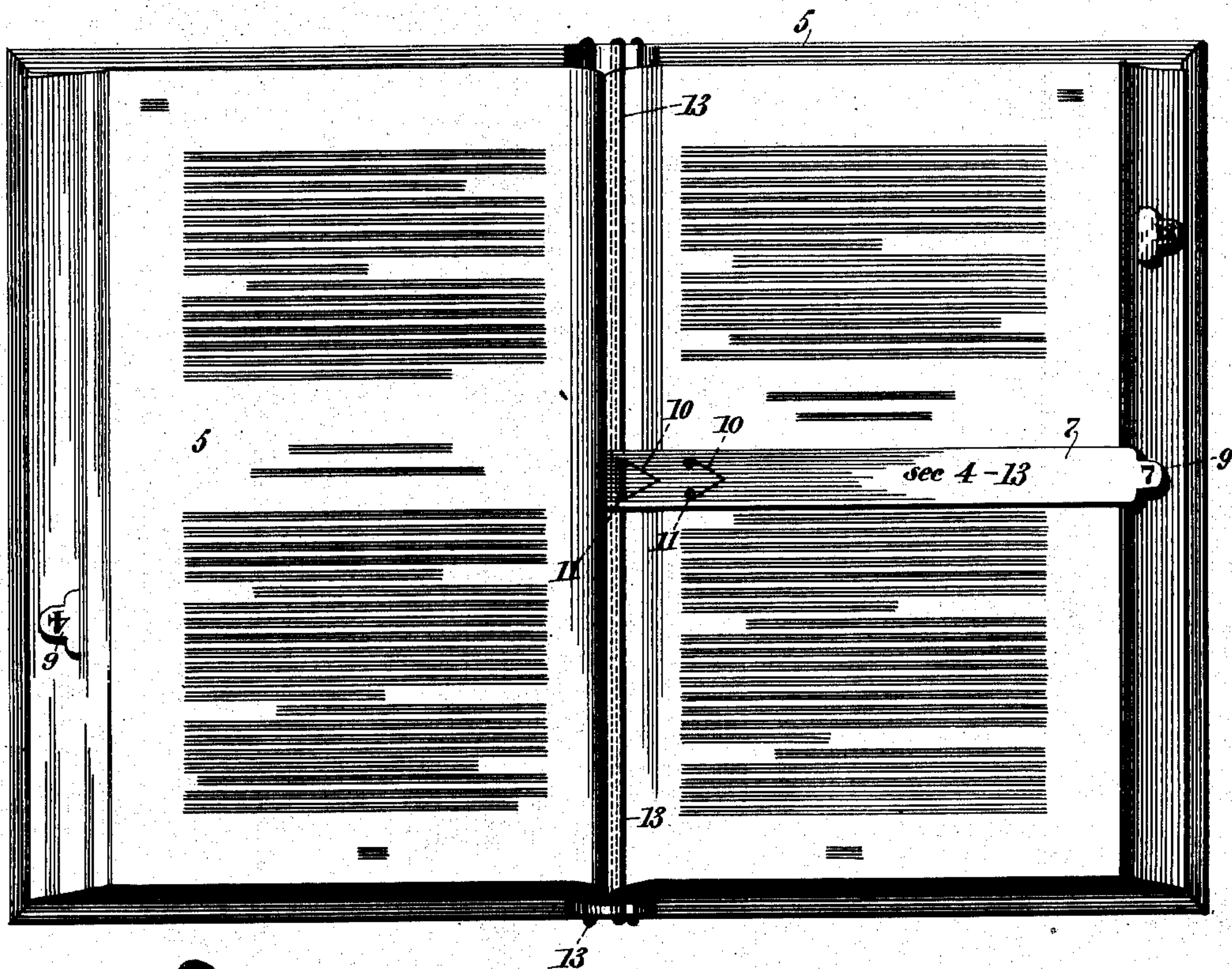
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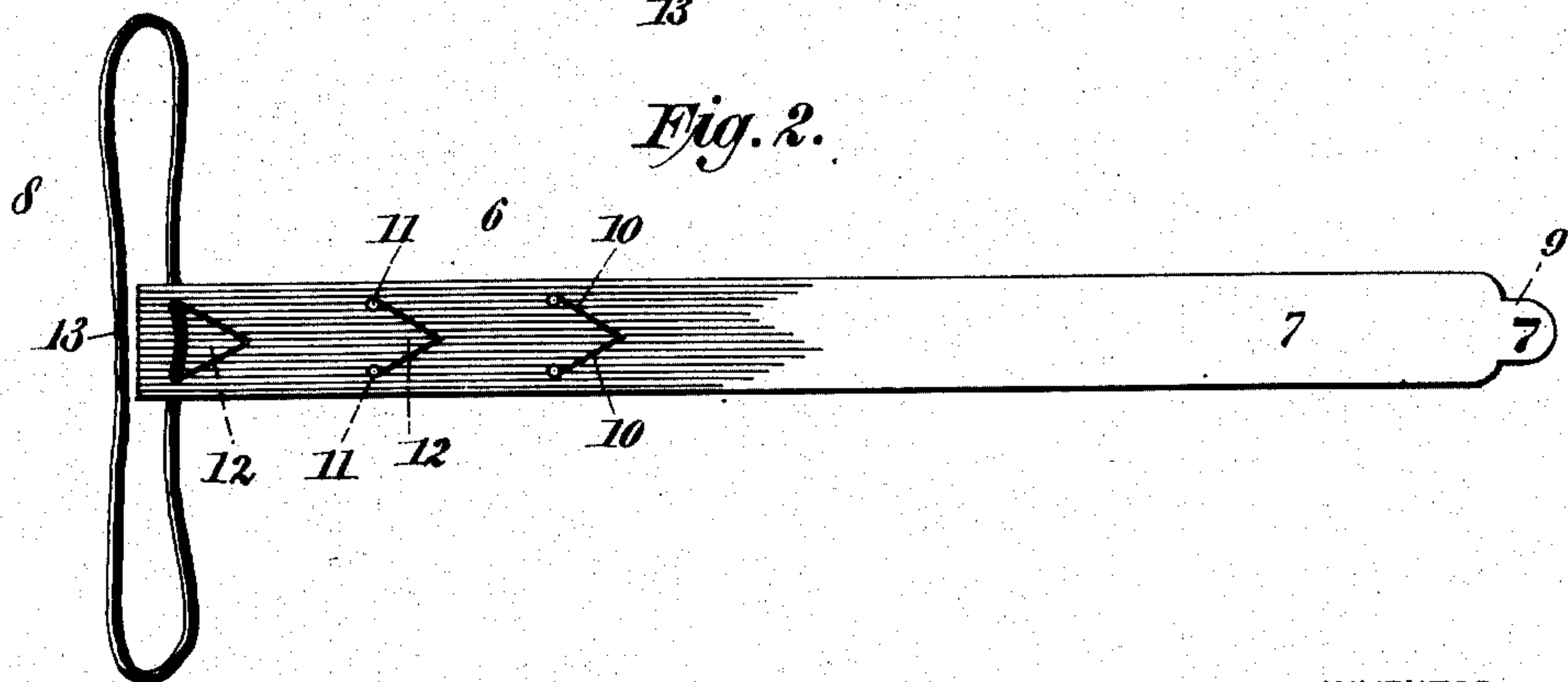
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, KNUTE ERICKSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Book-Marks, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact specification.

My invention relates to improvements in means for marking or indicating pages or particular portions of pages of books, and the same has for its object more particularly to provide a simple, efficient, reliable and inexpensive device which may be readily applied to a book to indicate a page or portion of a page without interfering with the use of the book or prevent its being placed in position upon a shelf in an upright position.

Further, said invention has for its object to provide a book-mark which may be readily adapted to books of different sizes, and which may also be secured to a book intermediate its pages as to permit of the mark proper being shifted or adjusted upon the securing means in order to indicate any portion of a page between the upper and lower edge thereof.

Further, said invention has for its object to provide a book-mark upon which references may be temporarily inscribed in order that a number of the same may be used conjointly as cross-reference devices.

To the attainment of the aforesaid objects and ends my invention consists in the novel details of construction, and in the combination, connection and arrangement of parts hereinafter more fully described and then pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings forming part of this specification wherein like numerals of reference indicate like parts, Figure 1 is a face view of an open book showing book-marks constructed according to and embodying my said invention applied thereto, and Fig. 2 is a face view of the book-mark with its attaching means; the same being shown detached from a book.

In said drawings 5 designates an ordinary book, and 6 the book-marks, each of which is composed essentially of an indicating member or guide 7 and an attaching member 8. The indicating member or guide slip 7 being in the form of a thin, narrow strip or slip made of any suitable flexible material, preferably thin celluloid and provided at its outer end with a smaller projecting portion 9 upon both sides of which are marked suitable identifying characters; in the drawings the same are shown as numerals. At the inner ends of said indicating member or guide slip 7 are provided a series of V-shaped slits 10, 10 the ends of which terminate in small circular apertures 11, 11, arranged at the inner ends of the prongs 12, 12.

13 denotes the attaching member made of any suitable thin, flexible material, but preferably a rubber band. To attach the rubber band 13 to the indicating member or guide slip 7 it simply becomes necessary

to raise the pointed end of the appropriate prong 12 within one of the V-shaped slits and insert the band 13 into the circular apertures 11, 11, as shown in the drawings. Hereupon the band 13 is passed over the open pages and cover of the book and adjusted upon the back of the same, whereupon the indicating member or guide slip 7 may be shifted up or down thereon to indicate any portion of the page intermediate the upper and lower edge of the book.

The purpose of providing the indicating members or guide slips 7 with a series of triangular or V-shaped slits and prongs spaced at intervals from each other is to enable the user to adapt the same to pages of different widths, and this may be readily done by cutting off a sufficient amount of the inner ends of said indicating members or slips to bring the appropriate slit against the inner edge of the page. The said indicating members may be made of any suitable material but preferably of some material which will permit of memoranda being made thereon in such a way that the same may be readily erased and the indicating members again used.

It will be observed that by means of my invention the indicating devices or markers may be attached to a book without interfering with its use, and that the same when applied to a book do not interfere with or prevent the same being replaced upon the book shelves, and further that the device being adjustable, the necessity for a large number of devices designed to indicate different portions of a page is entirely obviated.

Having thus described my invention what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. A book-mark comprising an endless flexible member, an indicating slip, and means arranged upon said indicating slip for slidably attaching the same to said endless flexible member, substantially as specified.

2. A book-mark comprising a flexible member, an indicating slip, and a plurality of attaching devices arranged upon said indicating slip for securing the same to said flexible member, substantially as specified.

3. A book-mark comprising a flexible member, an indicating slip, and a plurality of integral attaching prongs arranged adjacent to one end of said indicating slip for securing said indicating slip to said flexible member, substantially as specified.

4. A book-mark comprising an endless flexible member, an indicating slip, and a plurality of integral attaching prongs having recesses at their inner ends adapted to receive said endless flexible member whereby to hold said indicating slip to its adjusted position thereon, substantially as specified.

5. A book-mark comprising an endless elastic member, an indicating slip, and a plurality of integral attaching prongs arranged adjacent to one end of said indicating slip for securing said indicating slip to said endless elastic member, substantially as specified.

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