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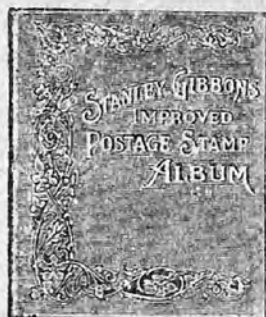
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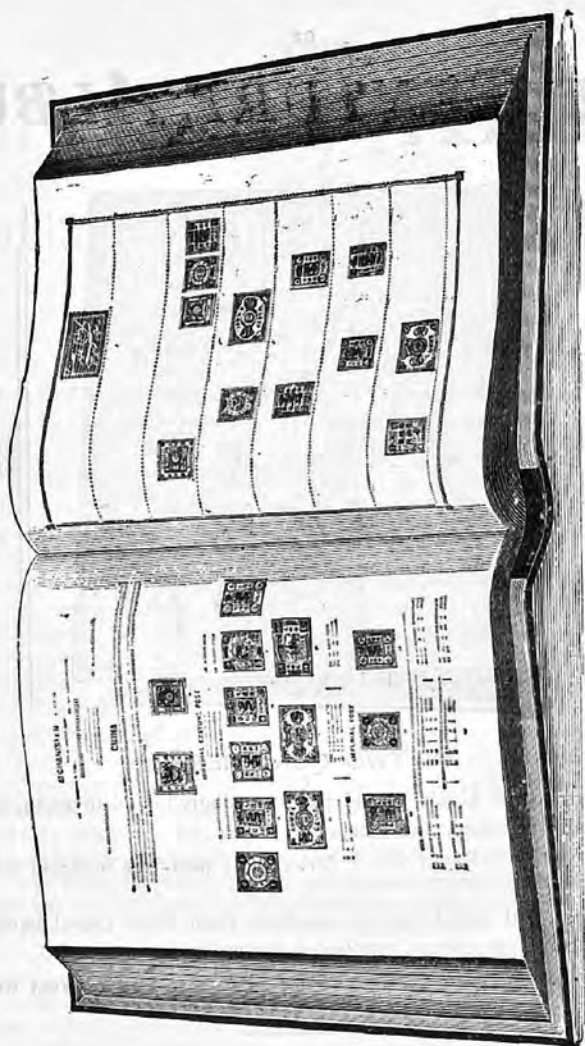
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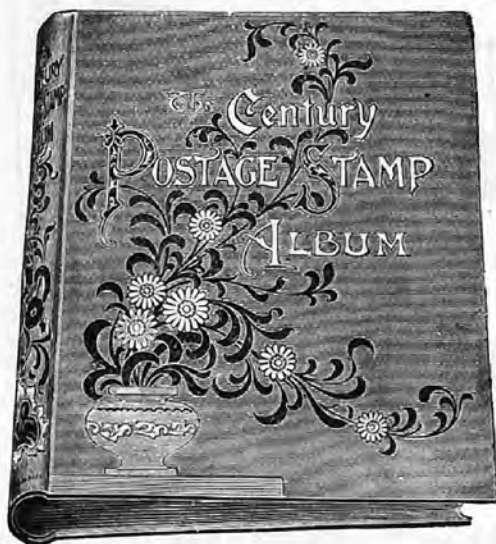
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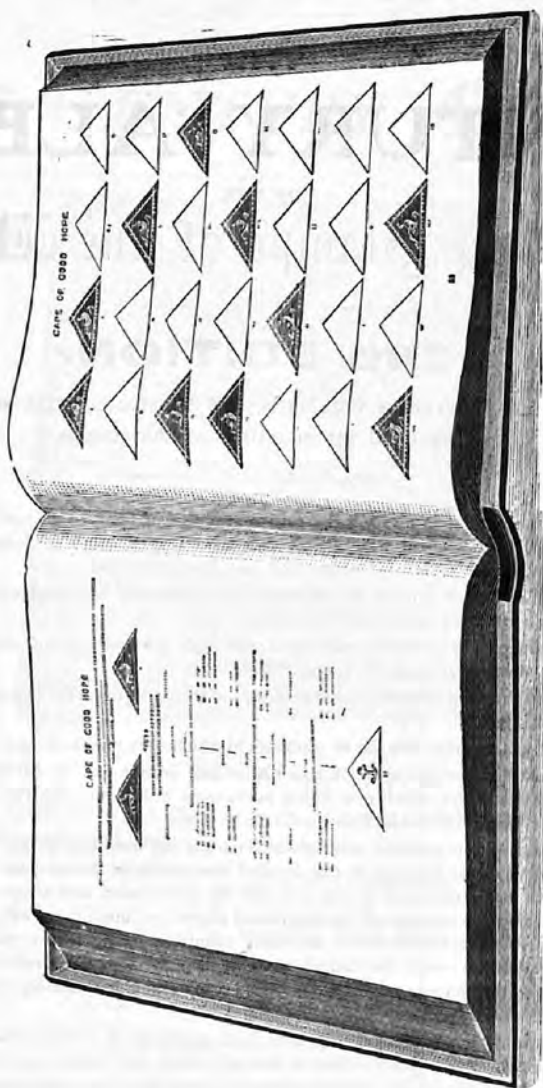
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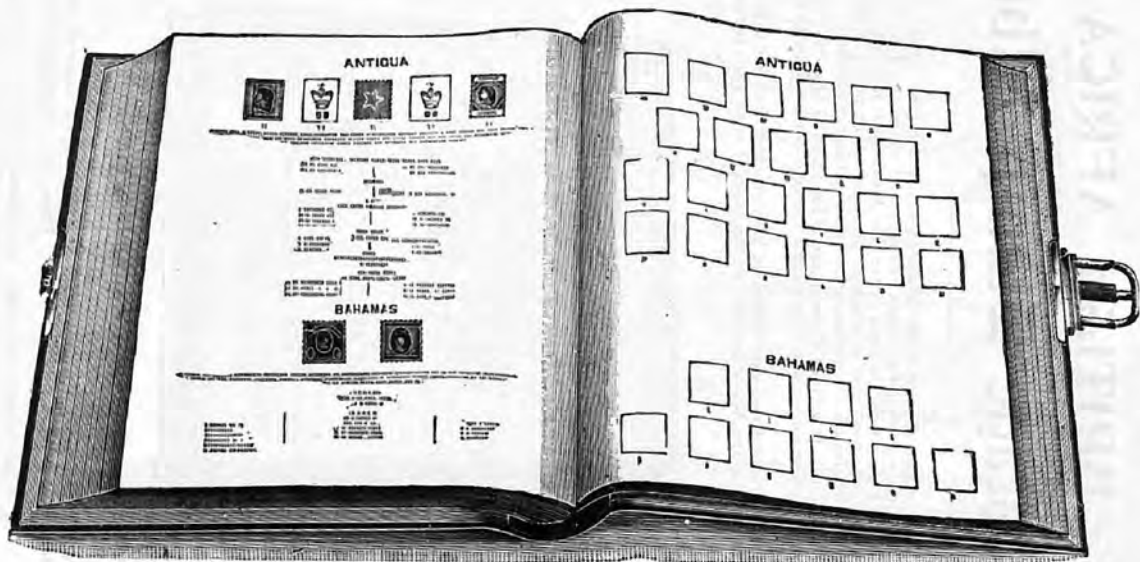
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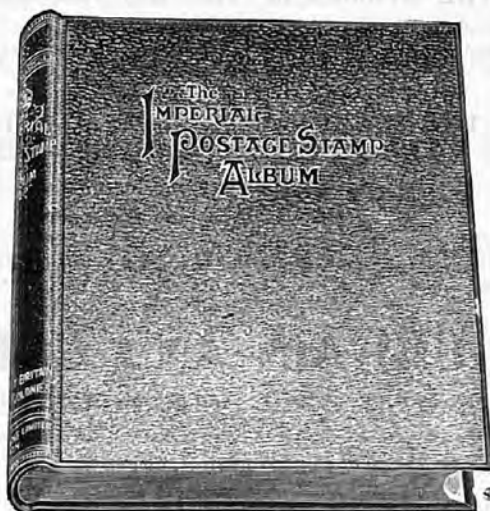
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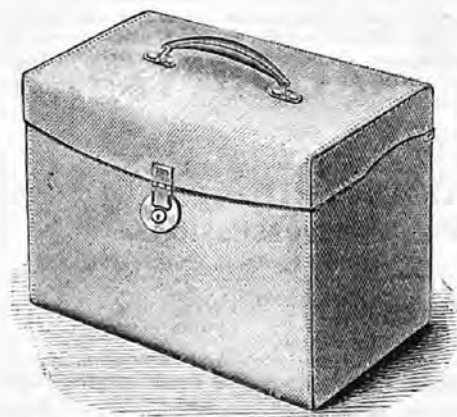
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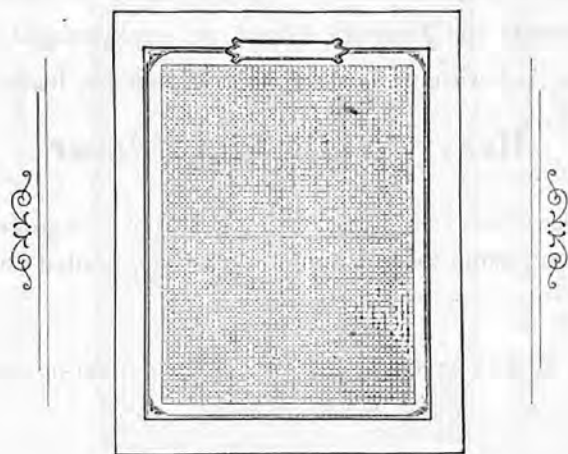
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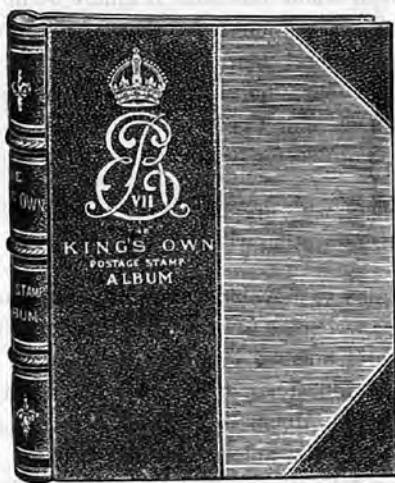
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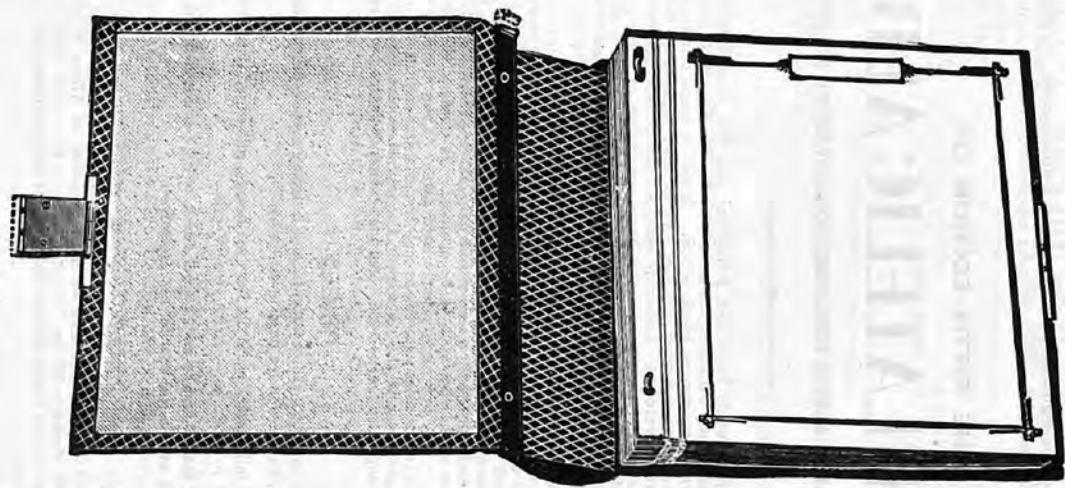
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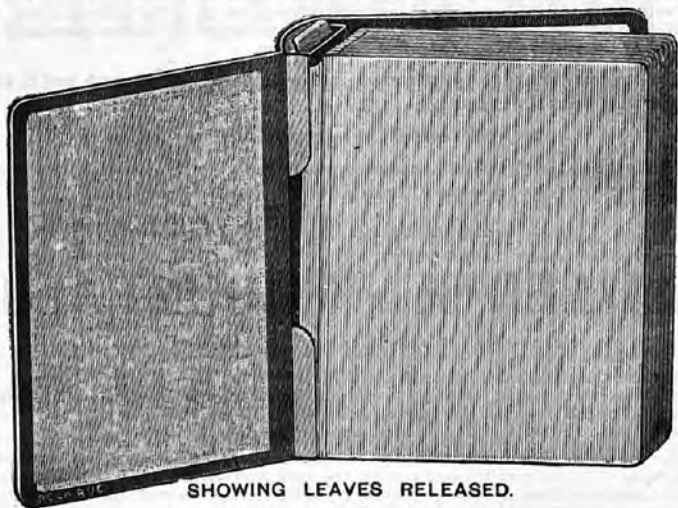
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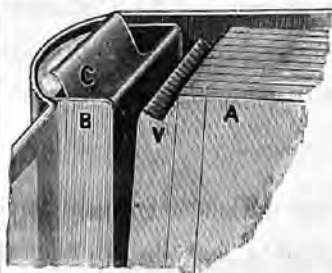


FIG. 1.

Fig. 1 represents the bracket open for the removal of the leaves, and Fig. 2 shows the same closed. **B** is a bracket fixed to the back of the book, and **C** is a V-shaped hinged stop, which, when pushed down into its proper position, is caught and held by the spring-catch **S**. A corresponding bracket, with a V-shaped stop (not hinged) fixed thereto, is attached to the back of the book at its lower extremity. The pages, which are linen-hinged at the back, are cut away at top and bottom to V-shape (**V**), so as to fit the V-shaped stops described above.

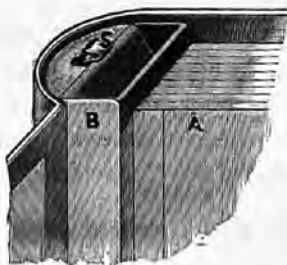


FIG. 2.

Instructions for Use.—**TO INSERT THE PAGES:** Push the spring-catch **S** back so as to release the upper **V-stop C** (Fig. 1), then knock the pages up so that the edges are even, and holding them firmly together, insert the lower edge of the backs into the bottom bracket, resting them on the fixed **V-stop**. Then insert the upper edge of the backs into the top bracket, and push the **V-stop** down into its proper position (as shown in Fig. 2), when it will be caught and held by the spring-catch. The pages will then be firmly held between the **V-stops** of the upper and lower brackets. **TO REMOVE THE PAGES:** Push back the spring-catch **S**; the hinged stop **C** will then fly up, and the pages **A** can be removed.

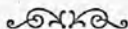
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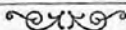
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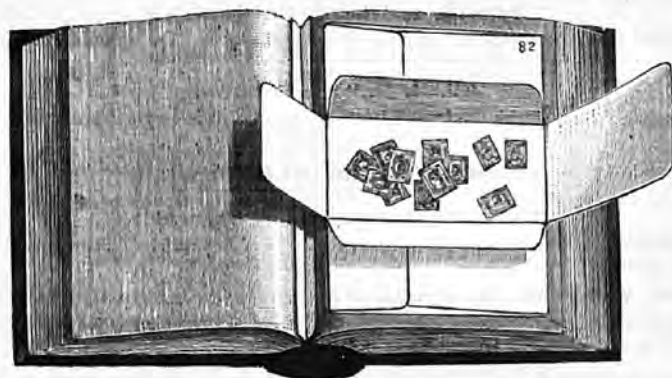
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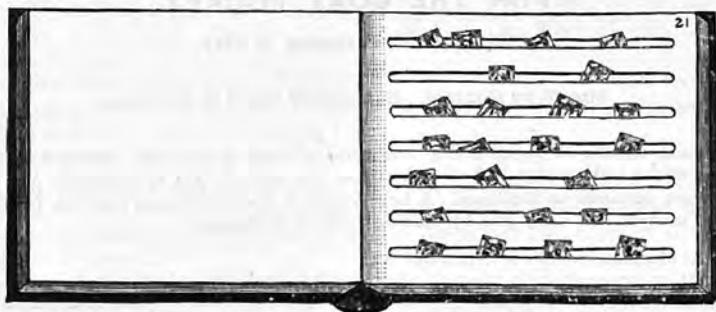
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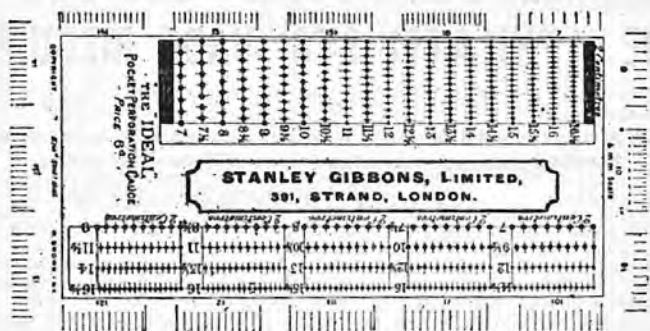
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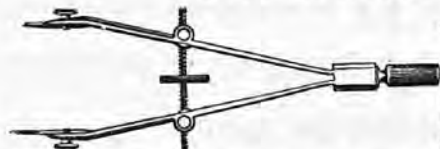
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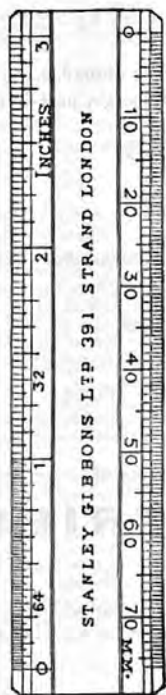
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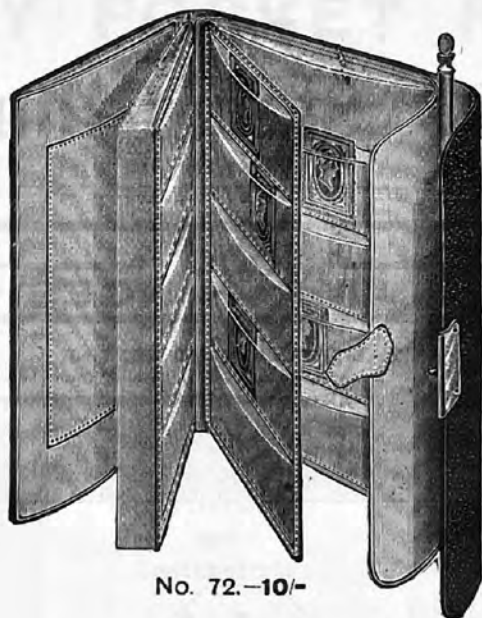
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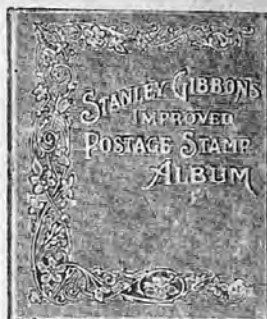
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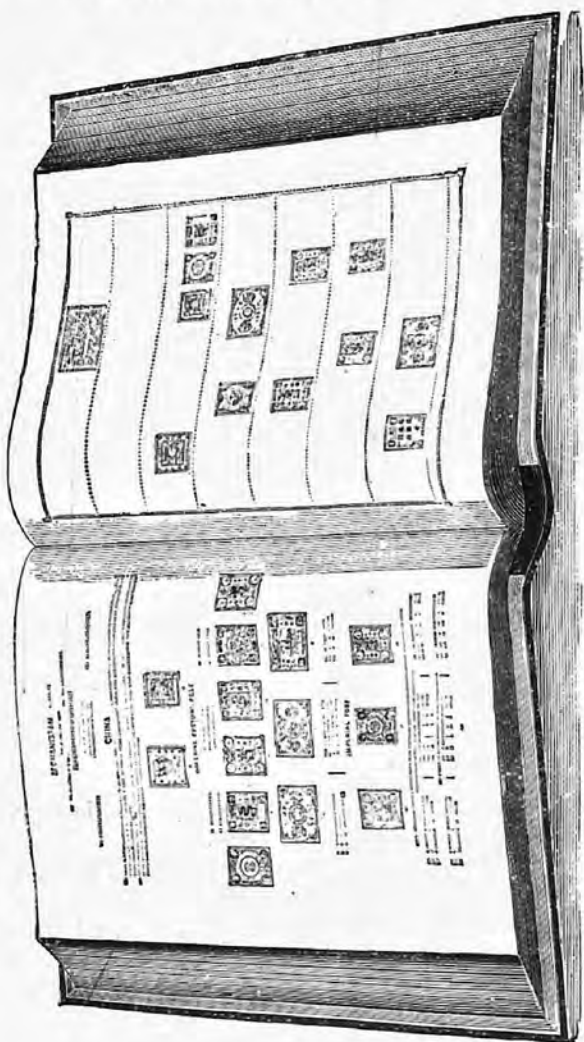
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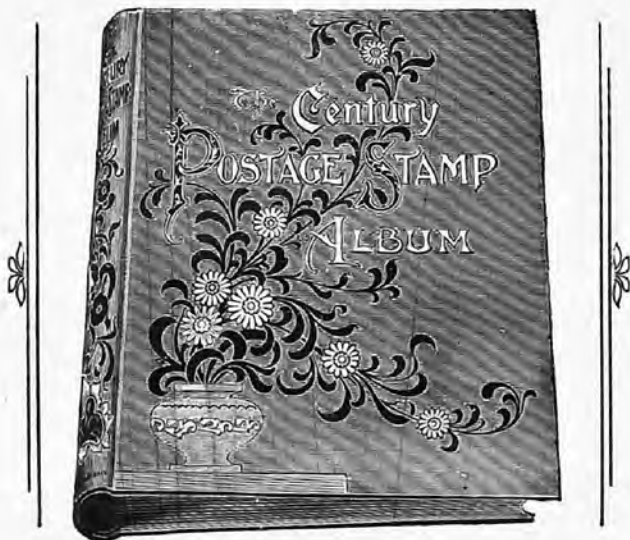


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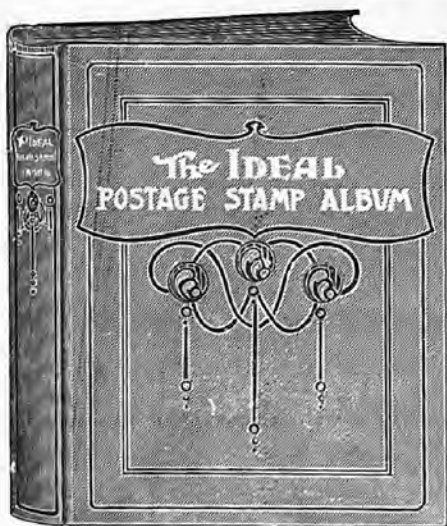
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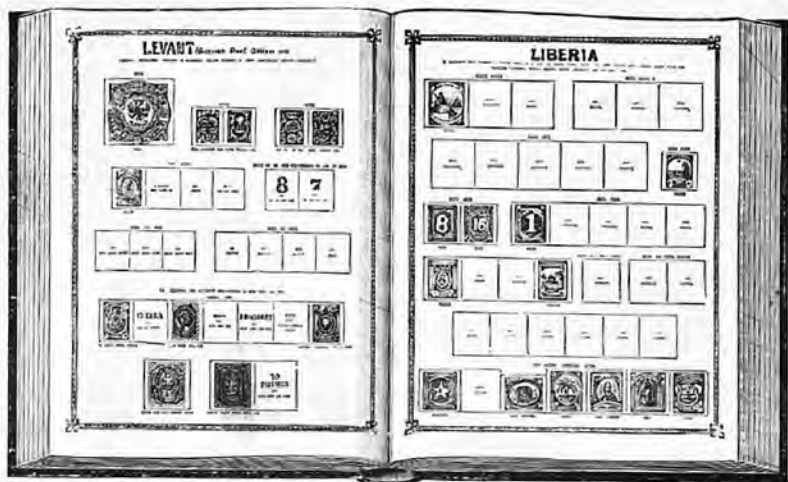
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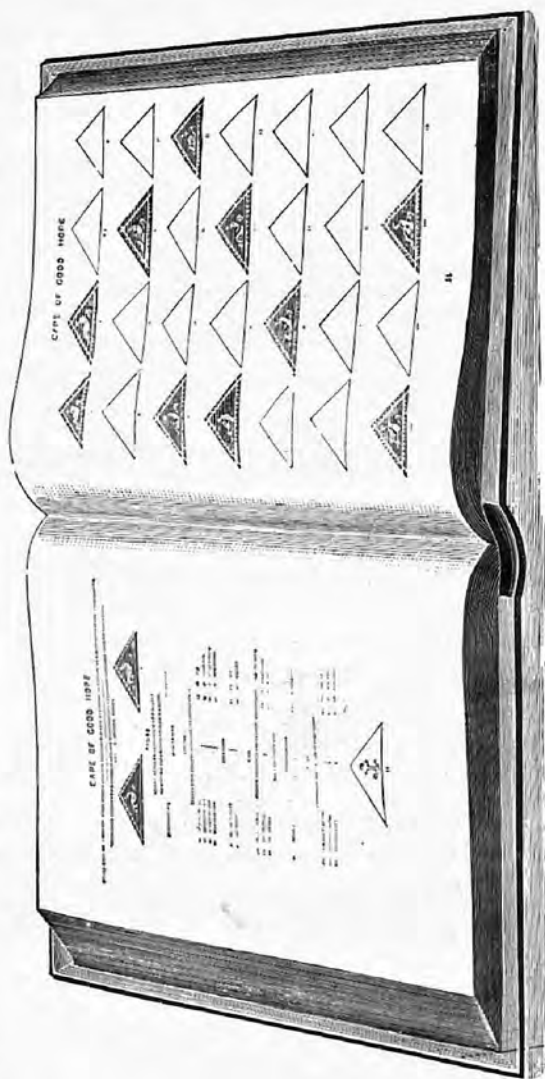
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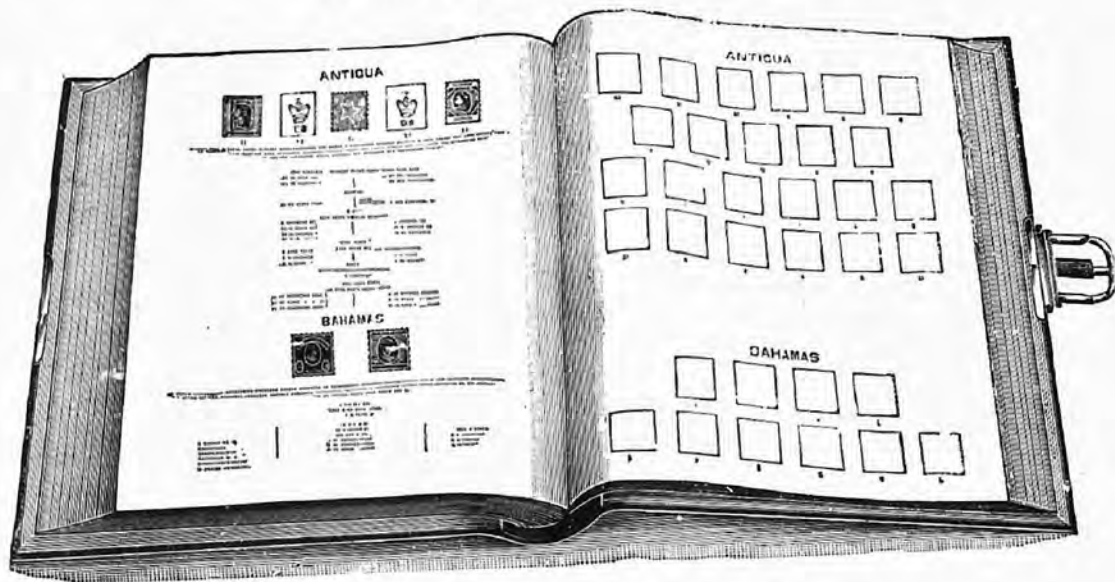
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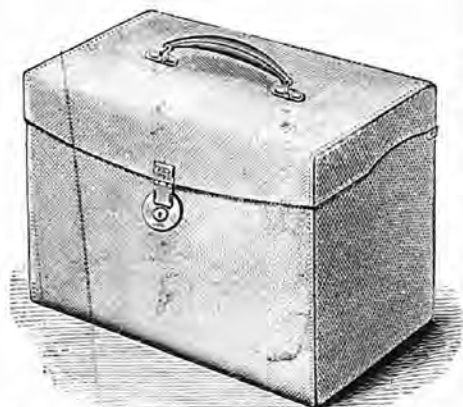
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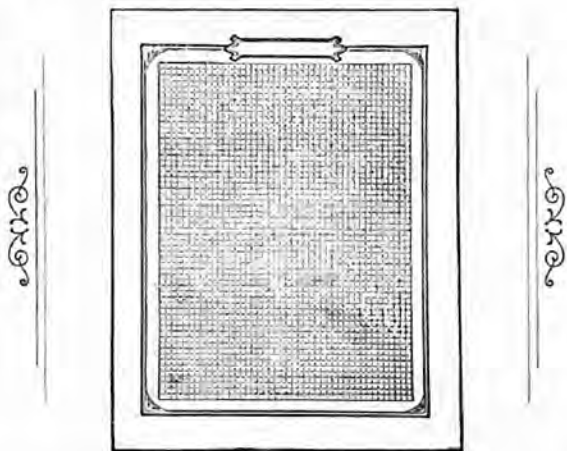
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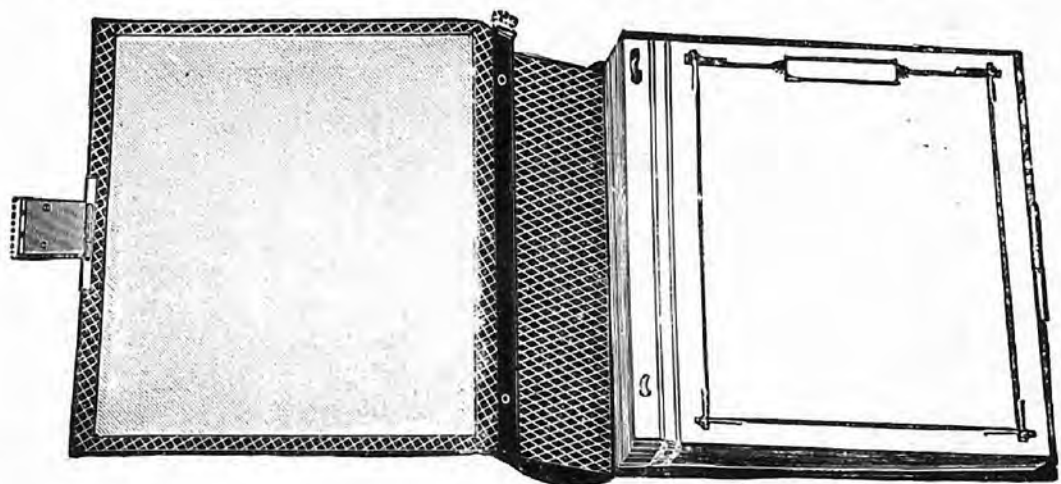
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THE PHILATELIC ALBUMS A TO E.



As described on pages 22 and 23.

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AT the request of several London collectors we have prepared an Album of portable size, and convenient for taking to meetings of the Philatelic Society, etc. Our large blank Albums, as described above, are found to be too heavy and cumbersome for such purposes, and our new book will be found a very suitable one.

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It is adapted to contain about 1500 Stamps, is of a similar size to Class A and B, and can be used in unison with them if desired.

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The leaves are of the latest approved size, with a narrow border $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. at top and bottom, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. at the sides. The body of the leaf is sunk, the sunk portion measuring $2\frac{1}{2} \times 6$ in., and is ruled with very faint quadrillé lines, to aid in accurately placing the specimens. Each leaf has a sheet of Jap. tissue paper stuck down the back edge to further aid in protecting the stamps from friction. It is scarcely possible to overstate the amount of injury by friction which is prevented by this ingenious method for preserving such stamps as British Guiana 1853, Portugal Azores, early Natal, etc.

This Album contains 30 leaves. Size, $11\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$, and weight 7 lbs.

D.—Handsomely bound in half marone morocco, with cloth protecting case, each book containing 30 leaves, 50s., or 50/6 by parcel post.

SPARE BLANK LINEN=JOINTED LEAVES

(All overprinted with quadrillé network)

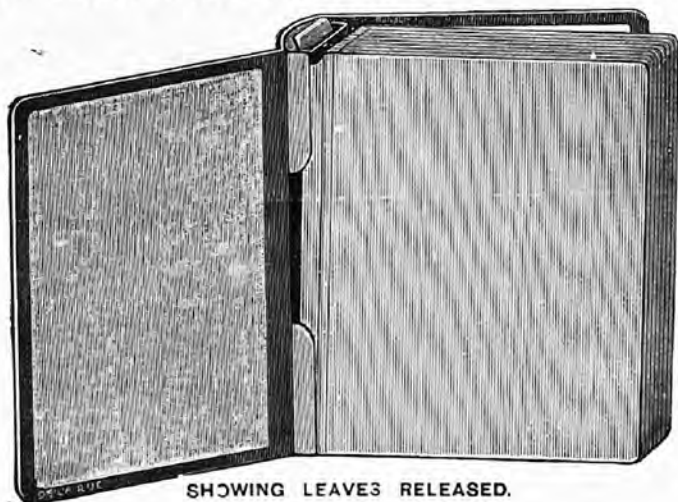
Can be had for the above Five Albums, at the following rates, post-free:

For A.	Size, $12\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$ inches	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1/9 per dozen.	12/6 per 100.
" B.	" $12\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$ "	Gilt edges	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2/3 "	15/6 "
" C.	" $11 \times 9\frac{1}{2}$ "	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1/9 "	12/6 "
" E.	" $12\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$ "	Sunk Mounts, gilt edges	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7/7 "	50/- "
" D.	" $11\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$ "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	10/- "	70/- "

NOTE.—The sizes of the leaves are from the extreme edges. The leaves of B and C, or E and D, are not interchangeable.

The "G. H.-S." Album

With Patent Binding, whereby any or all of the leaves may be detached and replaced in a few moments ❧ ❧ ❧



SHOWING LEAVES RELEASED.



SHOWING LEAVES SECURED

THE "G. H.-S." ALBUM.

This Album is the outcome of researches and experiments, by an experienced Philatelist, to obtain an Album that will combine all the essentials of a well-bound book, together with the advantages of detachable leaves, and having been thoroughly put to the test for the past five years, is now offered to Collectors as the

Best and Cheapest Album obtainable!

The two illustrations give general views of the Album, with the leaves released and secured, and it will be seen at a glance that the action of the patent fastening is simplicity itself, and is just the very thing wanted by Philatelists, especially by those who collect in an "advanced" style. Users of all other Albums, in which the leaves are secured by means of metal spikes, will recognise the boon of being able to remove or replace the whole of the leaves without the necessity of unthreading and rethreading them one by one. The fastening of this Album is, moreover, simple and *certain*, there being no such thing as thinking all is secure, and then finding the fastening has "not caught." Another immense advantage of this Album is that when opened out, the leaves lie perfectly flat and even.

The following illustrations give details of the Patent Binding:—



FIG. 1.

Fig. 1 represents the bracket open for the removal of the leaves, and Fig. 2 shows the same closed. B is a bracket fixed to the back of the book, and C is a V-shaped hinged stop, which, when pushed down into its proper position, is caught and held by the spring-catch S. A corresponding bracket, with a V-shaped stop (not hinged) fixed thereto, is attached to the back of the book at its lower extremity. The pages, which are linen-hinged at the back, are cut away at top and bottom to V-shape (V) so as to fit the V-shaped stops described above.

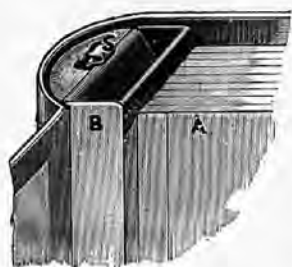


FIG. 2.

Instructions for Use.—**TO INSERT THE PAGES:** Push the spring-catch **S** back so as to release the upper **V-stop C** (Fig. 1), then knock the pages up so that the edges are even, and holding them firmly together, insert the lower edge of the backs into the bottom bracket, resting them on the fixed **V-stop**. Then insert the upper edge of the backs into the top bracket, and push the **V-stop** down into its proper position (as shown in Fig. 2), when it will be caught and held by the spring-catch. The pages will then be firmly held between the **V-stops** of the upper and lower brackets. **TO REMOVE THE PAGES:** Push back the spring-catch **S**; the hinged stop **C** will then fly up, and the pages **A** can be removed.

The leaves, which are linen-jointed, are made of the finest quality paper, and each leaf has a neat border line, with tablet space for name of country, or other information; the space inside the border being filled in with a semi-visible quadrillé network of lines, of a gauge carefully thought out and arranged for the most convenient disposition of the general run of stamps. This quadrillé network has also an addition in the shape of semi-visible indicators, showing the central and half-central lines, both vertically and horizontally, an advantage that will be readily appreciated by Collectors, who have hitherto had to count the lines to find the required positions. If preferred, we can supply the Album with perfectly plain leaves.

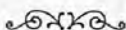
This Album is published in an upright shape and is of a medium size, so as to be handy and portable, and yet is designed to take almost as many stamps on a page as other Albums of a

much more cumbersome nature. Each book contains about eighty leaves, in addition to a frontispiece. The size of the leaves is $10\frac{3}{4}$ inches deep by $8\frac{7}{8}$ inches wide, irrespective of the linen joint. It is published in one quality, as described below; the leaves are backed with best Japanese silk tissue paper, which prevents all friction, and which admits of the Album being safely used for embossed stamps.

PRICES.

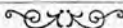
Upright shape, bound whole padded morocco, gold lined, gold tooled extra, rounded corners, leaves of special hand-made paper with gilt edge, each leaf being backed with Japanese silk tissue paper, etc. etc., and fitted in a specially designed cloth-covered case, lined swan's-down.

40/-; post-free in Great Britain, 40/7.



The above can be supplied fitted with heavily gilt patent expanding lock and key, at 5/- extra.

Additional leaves supplied at 3/- per dozen.

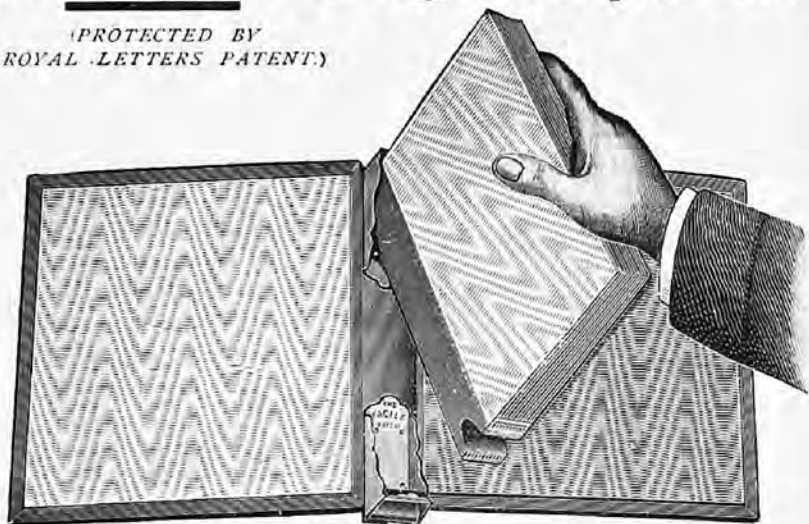


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The "FACILE" Postage Stamp Albums

(PROTECTED BY
ROYAL LETTERS PATENT.)



A—SHEWING LEAVES RELEASED.

THESE Albums present externally the same appearance as our well-known
"ORIEL" and "PHILATELIC" BLANK ALBUMS

(see pages 20 to 23), and are identical in all respects except as regards the method of holding the detachable leaves, which is now a vast improvement upon the old system.

The leaves instead of being threaded upon pegs have a groove cut across each end of the linen joint (see A), and, together with a protecting cover, are held in position by means of two "V"-shaped projections, the whole being securely fastened by an ingenious spring.

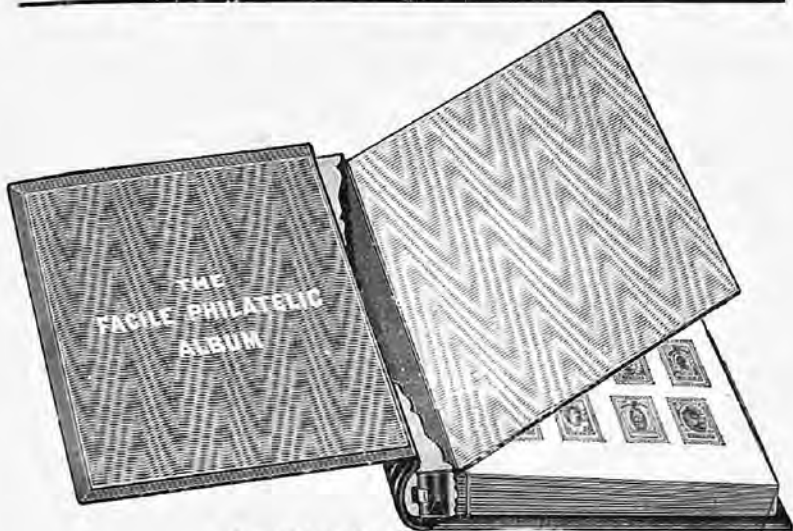
When it is desired to remove the leaves it is only necessary to release the spring, when the "V"-shaped projections open automatically, and the contents can be removed with one hand. A great feature of this improvement is that a single leaf can be inserted or detached without disturbing the contents of the Album. Collectors already using the "ORIEL" and "PHILATELIC" can conveniently continue with the "FACILE."

Leading Features of the "FACILE,"

1. It is undoubtedly the "acme" of loose-leaf albums.
2. Changing position of, or adding to the number of the leaves can be effected instantly and without disturbing contents of Album.
3. The binding of cover being rigid, all possibility of friction between the leaves is prevented.
4. The patent binder has no loose or detachable parts, and therefore cannot get out of order.
5. The action of the patent binder is automatic, and can be perfectly understood the moment it is seen.

(CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE.)

The "FACILE" Postage Stamp Albums—continued.



B—SHOWING LEAVES SECURED.

At present we are applying this improvement to the following, supplies of which are now ready:—

THE "FACILE" ORIEL ALBUM.

Containing fifty detachable leaves (10 in. \times 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.), of the best handmade paper, overprinted with quadrillé network, faced with Japanese tissue paper, and bound in half-red morocco with cloth sides, finished in gold.

Each Album is contained in a cloth drop-in case lined with lambswool.

Price 30s.; post-free in U.K. 30s. 6d.

THE "FACILE" PHILATELIC ALBUMS.

Each containing 100 leaves of a very fine quality white card paper, overprinted with quadrillé network, and strongly bound in half-morocco, gilt ornaments and lettering, and packed in a box.

A—Size, 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ in. \times 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ in. Price 30s.; post-free U.K. 30s. 9d.

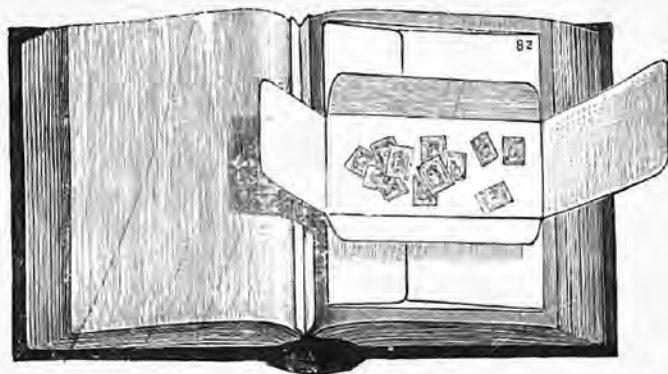
E „ 11 „ \times 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ „ „ 25s.; „ „ 25s. 7d.

Spare Blank Leaves for these Albums can be supplied at the same prices as for ordinary "ORIEL" and "PHILATELIC" Albums (see pages 20 and 23).

The same improvement is being applied to the "G.H.S." Albums, and a supply of these will be ready shortly. Prices will be announced later.

THE SECOND EDITION
OF THE
DUPLICATE POSTAGE STAMP ALBUM.
GREATLY ENLARGED AND IMPROVED.

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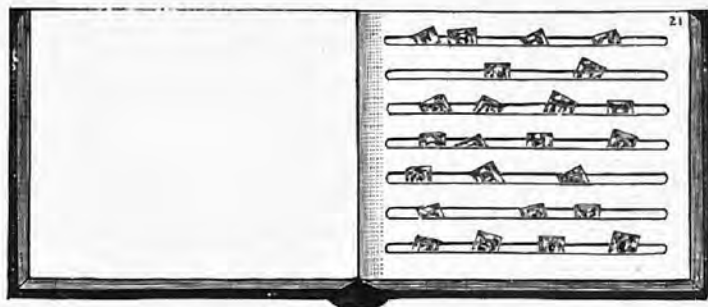
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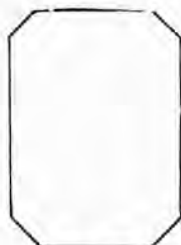
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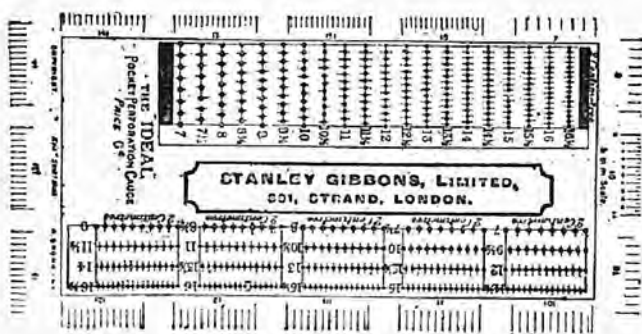
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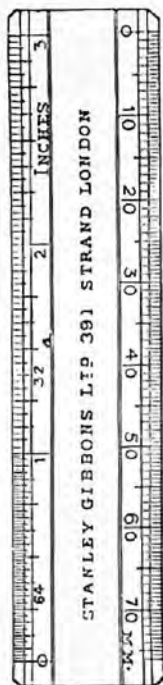
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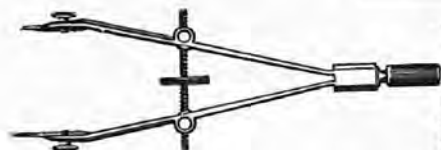
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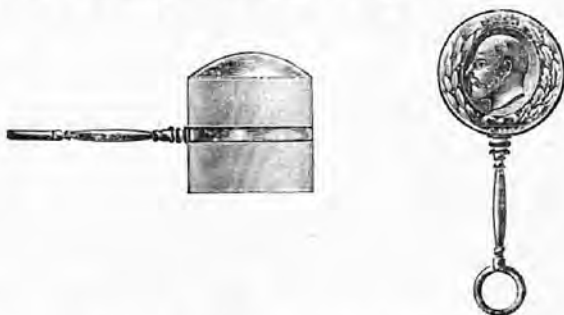
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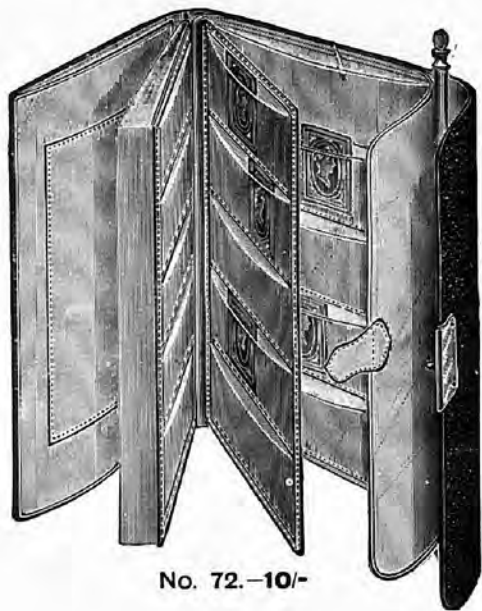
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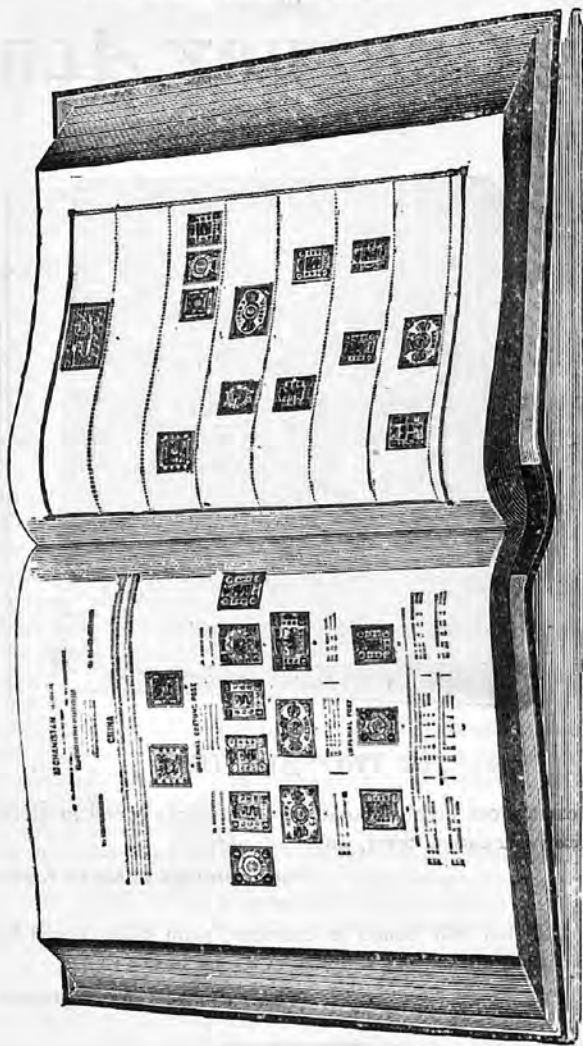
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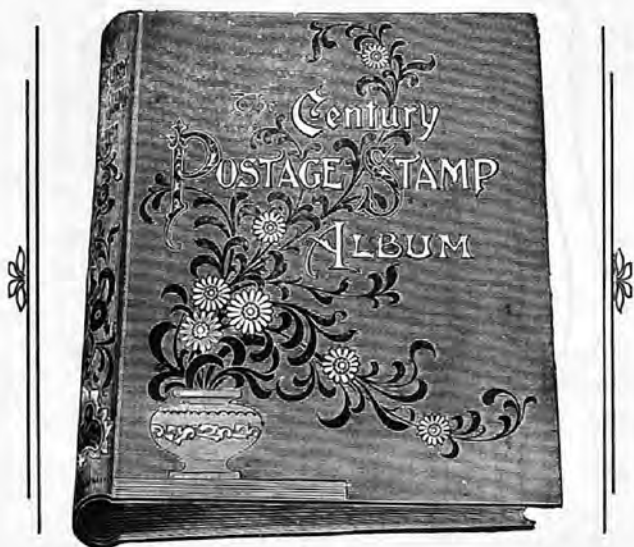


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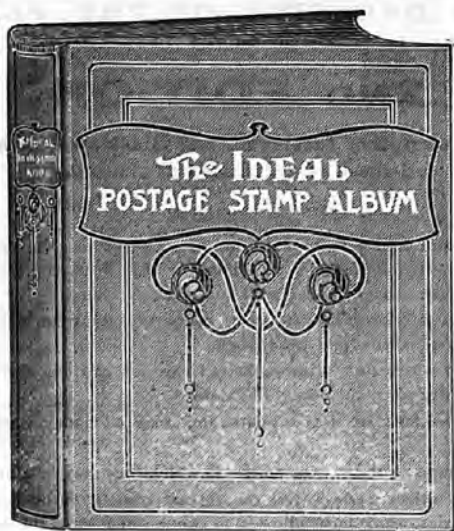
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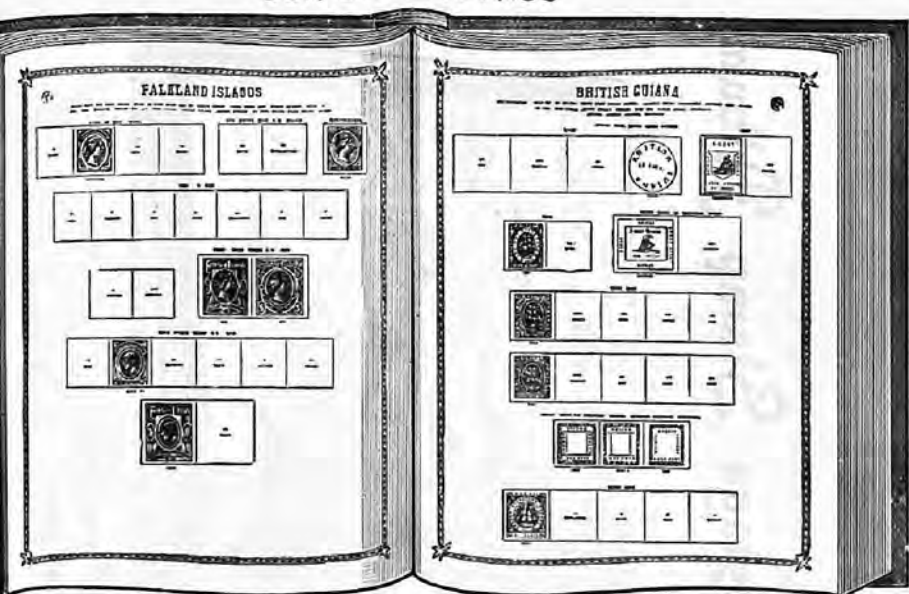
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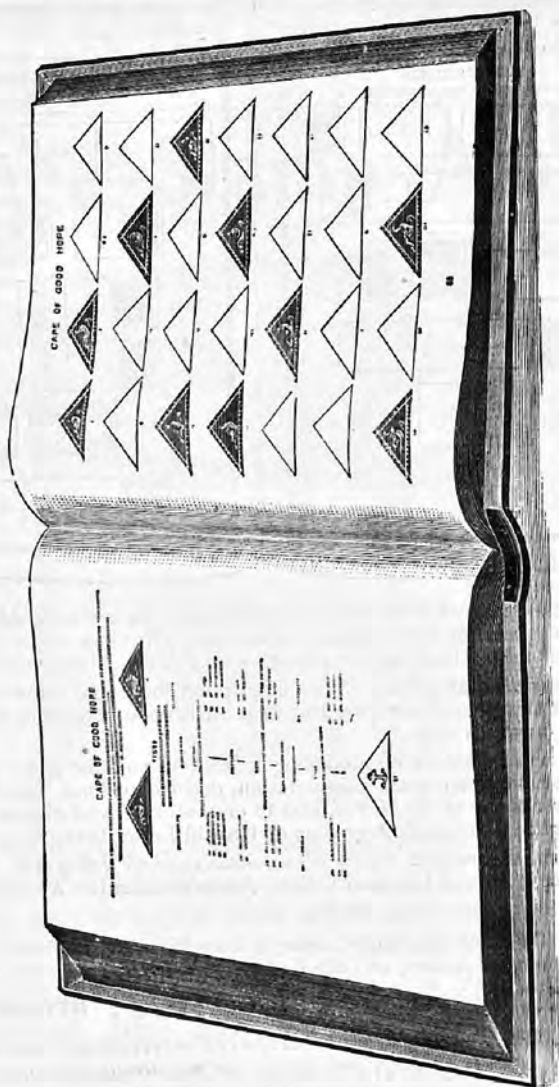
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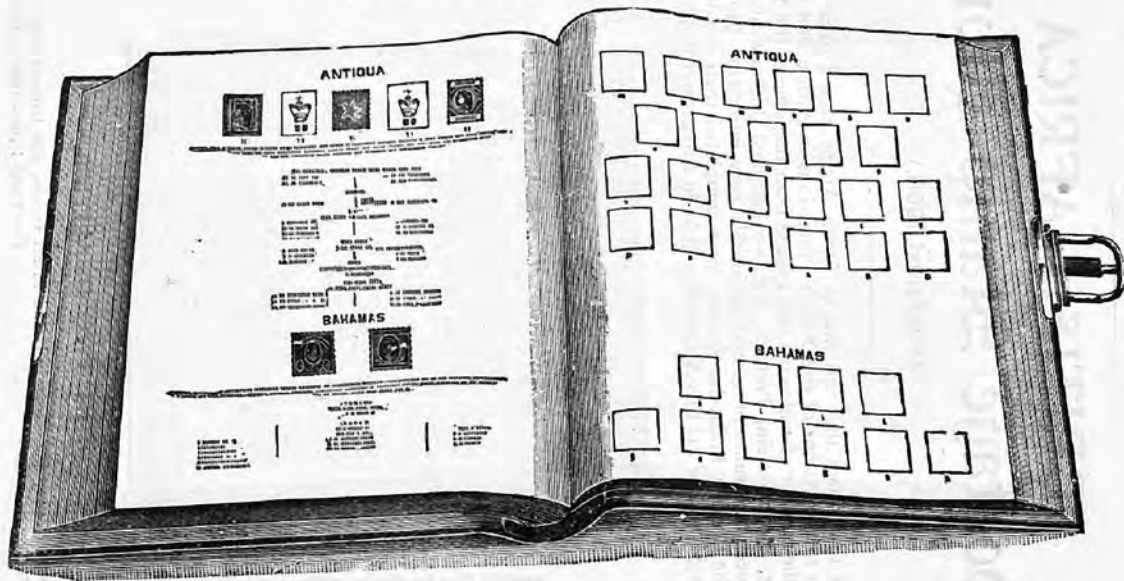
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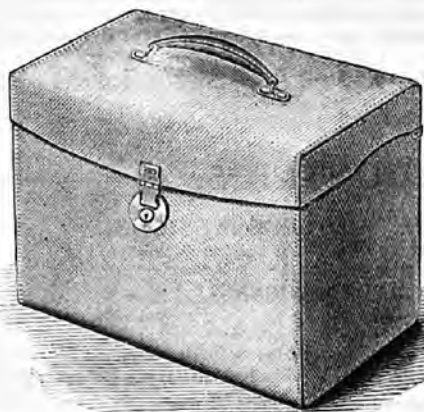
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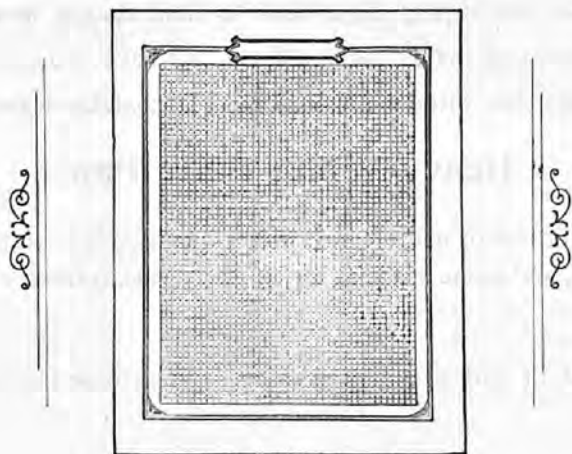
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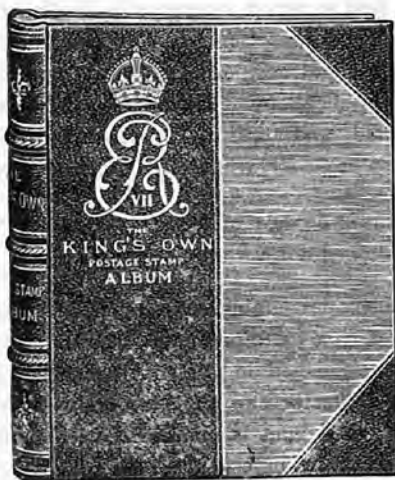
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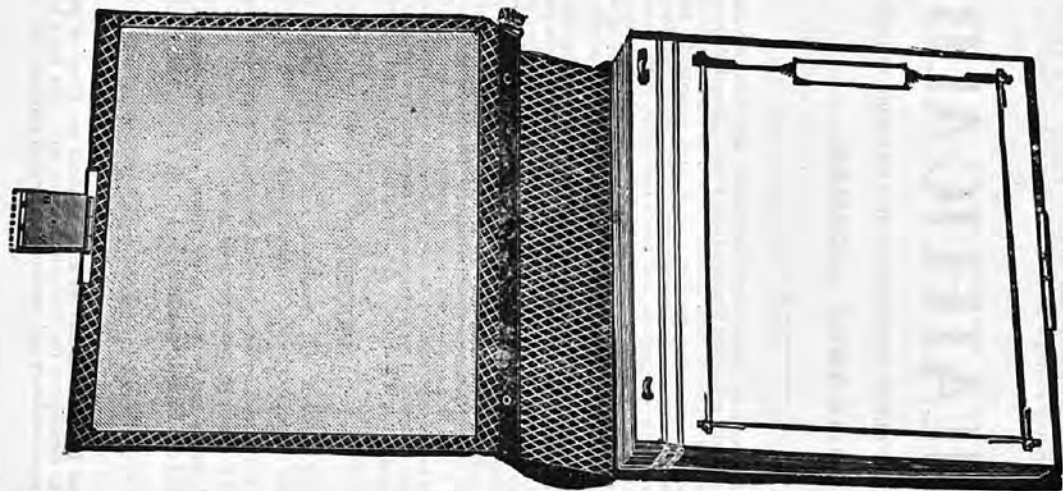
To those Philatelists who are unable to personally inspect same at our Establishment, a brief description will be acceptable:—

Each Album contains 50 detachable leaves of the best hand-made paper, faced with Japanese tissue paper, so as to prevent all friction, and is bound in half morocco, with cloth sides finished in gold. A space on the back of the cover is left plain, so that a Collector can have his books lettered or numbered to show the contents. Each Album is contained in a cloth drop-in case lined with lamb's-wool. The leaves, unless specially ordered, are supplied with a fine quadrillé background, as supplied to the other Philatelic Albums of this form, but if desired special leaves can be supplied blank, without any line border or background. Exact size of leaves from the outside edge 10 inches by 10½; available for mounting stamps, 8½ inches by 10½.

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As described on pages 22 and 23.

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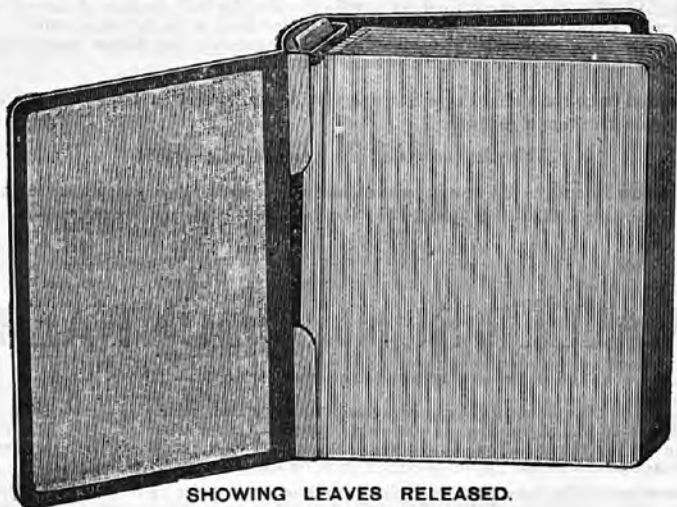
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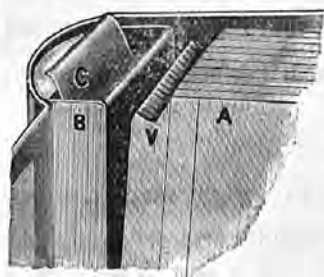


FIG. 1.

Fig. 1 represents the bracket open for the removal of the leaves, and Fig. 2 shows the same closed. **B** is a bracket fixed to the back of the book, and **C** is a V-shaped hinged stop, which, when pushed down into its proper position, is caught and held by the spring-catch **S**. A corresponding bracket, with a V-shaped stop (not hinged) fixed thereto, is attached to the back of the book at its lower extremity. The pages, which are linen-hinged at the back, are cut away at top and bottom to V-shape (**V**) so as to fit the V-shaped stops described above.

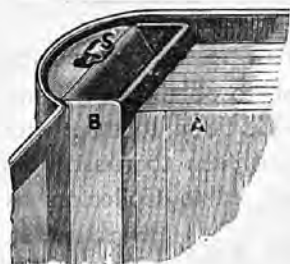


FIG. 2.

Instructions for Use.—**TO INSERT THE PAGES:** Push the spring-catch **S** back so as to release the upper **V-stop C** (Fig. 1), then knock the pages up so that the edges are even, and holding them firmly together, insert the lower edge of the backs into the bottom bracket, resting them on the fixed **V-stop**. Then insert the upper edge of the backs into the top bracket, and push the **V-stop** down into its proper position (as shown in Fig. 2), when it will be caught and held by the spring-catch. The pages will then be firmly held between the **V-stops** of the upper and lower brackets. **TO REMOVE THE PAGES:** Push back the spring-catch **S**; the hinged stop **C** will then fly up, and the pages **A** can be removed.

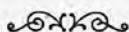
The leaves, which are linen-jointed, are made of the finest quality paper, and each leaf has a neat border line, with tablet space for name of country, or other information; the space inside the border being filled in with a semi-visible quadrillé network of lines, of a gauge carefully thought out and arranged for the most convenient disposition of the general run of stamps. This quadrillé network has also an addition in the shape of semi-visible indicators, showing the central and half-central lines, both vertically and horizontally, an advantage that will be readily appreciated by Collectors, who have hitherto had to count the lines to find the required positions. If preferred, we can supply the Album with perfectly plain leaves.

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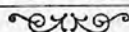
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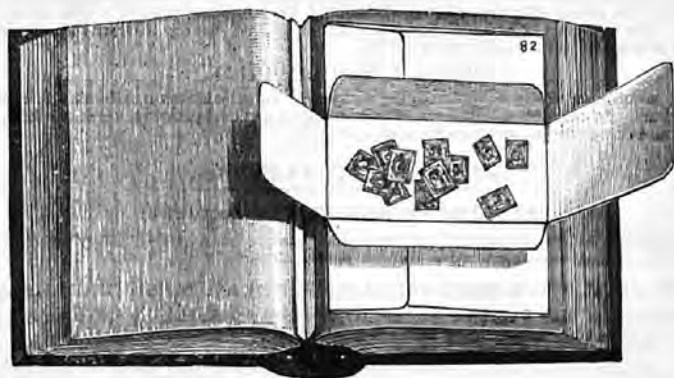
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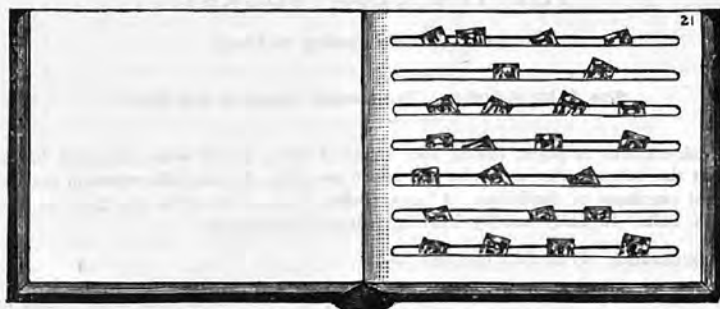
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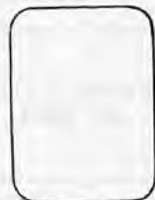
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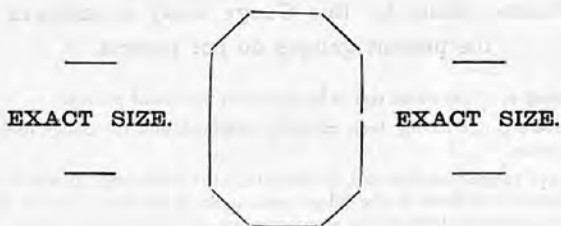


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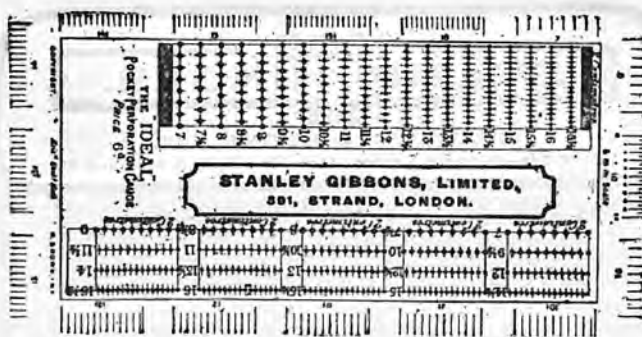


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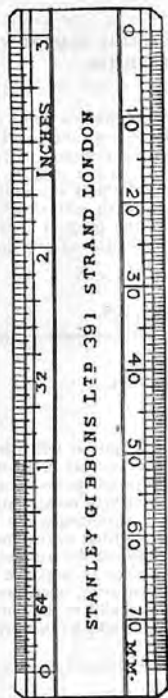
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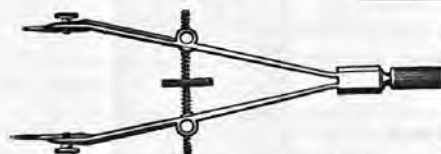
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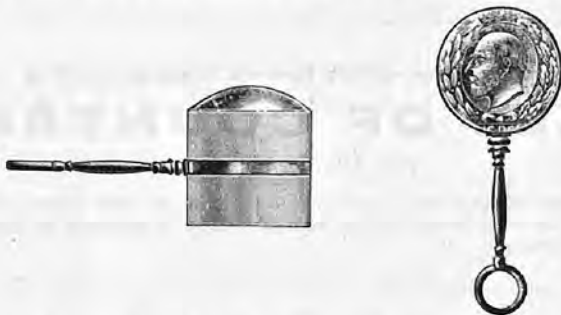
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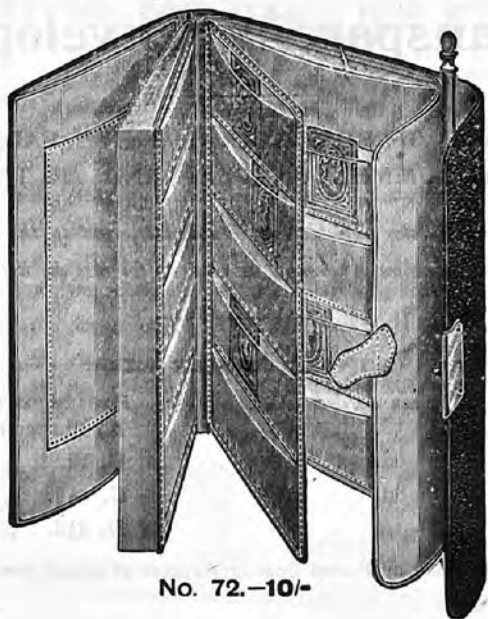
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