

spools by their ends, spindles, or holes. In the example shown, each of the cheeks 7^c is provided with a hole 7^d with outwardly turned edges, to receive the corresponding spindle of the spool. One of the spool-carriers 7 has two lateral cheeks 7^c, while that which is provided for the winding spool has a single cheek, since the said spool is engaged at its other end with the key 8.

As regards the variation represented in Figure 4, each of the longitudinal partitions 4 of moulded material is replaced by a spool-carrying member formed by an iron plate 9 provided with tongues 9^a in the form of hooks fitting into the longitudinal grooves 6 provided in the casing, the said iron plate comprising a bent upper portion 9^b resting on the transverse partitions 5 and serving to guide the film, the said member being provided with side lugs 9^c, with pins 9^d, projecting beyond the partitions 5 and serving to receive the drilled ends of the spools.

It is to be understood it is possible, without departing from the scope of the invention, to conceive variations and improvements in details, and to provide for the use of equivalent means.

Having now particularly described and ascertained the nature of our said invention, and in what manner the same is to be performed, we declare that what we claim is:—

1. Photographic and similar apparatus having a casing of moulded material and having spool supports, that are fitted into position by the engagement of bent resi-

lient tongues thereon with cavities or grooves formed in the casing, which tongues are fixed by being forced into the said cavities or grooves.

2. Photographic and similar apparatus according to Claim 1, in which the resilient tongues are shaped to a hook-like form with extremities that are adapted to engage the material of the casing when forced into the cavities or grooves.

3. Photographic and similar apparatus according to Claim 1 or Claim 2, having spool supports formed from a single member of resilient metal or alloy and comprising a base, one or more tongues intended to be applied into the cavities or grooves in the casing and with one or more tongues serving as means for braking the film, the said base being also provided with one or two lateral members forming the supporting cheeks for the bobbin of the spool.

4. Photographic and similar apparatus according to Claim 1, provided with a fitting of metal or alloy having one or several tongues adapted to be fitted into grooves or cavities in the casing, the said member serving as a support for the spools as a partition for the dark chamber and as a guide for the film.

5. Cameras having the casing and spool supports constructed in the manner as hereinbefore described with reference to the accompanying drawings.

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