

Howard's Indestructible Book-Binding, Patented 1879.

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HOYT'S PATENT INDESTRUCTIBLE IRON BACK.

THIS remarkable invention entirely does away with the too frequent complaint that books come to pieces in the student's hands, before they have done reasonable service. The *Iron Books* are warranted to remedy this evil. With ordinary care there is practically no limit to their endurance.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMPROVEMENT

The point of advantage in this binding is simply that, in the opening and closing of the book, there is no friction, which is the destructive element of all ordinary binding.

By the patent method the leaves of the book are fastened by wire pins, inserted near the back margin, the ends of the pins being turned down and lying parallel with the margin, clamping the leaves together.

A back of thin metal is pressed on the book, with flanges overlapping the ends of the pins, which prevents the leaves from tearing from the pins, as is the case with wire, sewing or tape work.

By a peculiar curve in the pins, perfect flexibility is secured in the opening of the volume, the whole forming a practical and substantial binding, absolutely indestructible by ordinary wear and tear.

The Advantage of such a Binding

needs no further demonstration. It fully doubles the value of the volume to which it is applied, and the appearance of a popular series of school books thus invincibly clad will be hailed with enthusiasm by teachers, trustees, parents and pupils. In families the same book will suffice for each child in succession, and School Boards which adopt the *Free Book System* may purchase a single supply which will last for years, passing from hand to hand.

In neatness, convenience, weight and general appearance the *Iron Books* do not differ appreciably from the ordinary editions. The latter will be continued as long as called for, but it is confidently expected that the *Iron Bound* edition will rapidly take their place, there being no advance in price, while a general introduction of this improvement will effect at least an

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