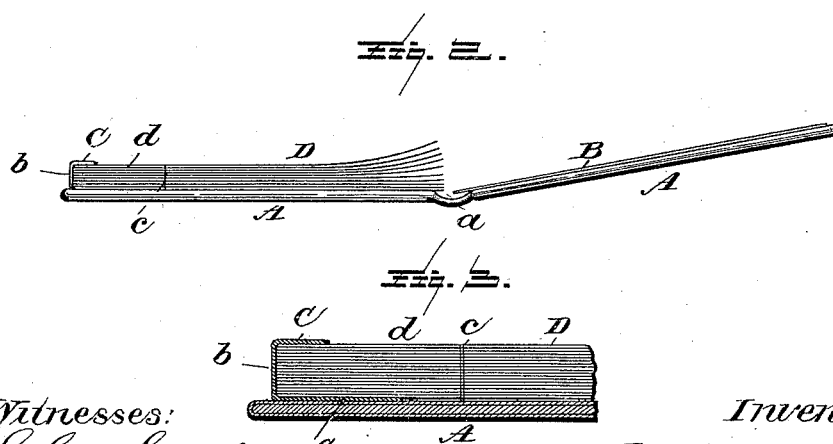


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## CHECK-BOOK.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JACOB KNAUBER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Milwaukee, in the county of Milwaukee and State of Wisconsin, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Check-Books, (for which I have obtained Letters Patent in Canada, No. 51,581, dated November 20, 1889;) and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in check-books of that class wherein a plurality of checks are held in a cover with a record leaf or leaves.

It has for its object to provide an improved check-book of this character adapted to be folded in the center, the checks being provided with stubs held to one portion of the cover, and upon the inner surface of the other half of the cover there being affixed a record sheet or sheets divided vertically into columns for the number of the check, the amount drawn, the amount deposited, and the balance.

The invention consists in the peculiarities of construction and the combinations, arrangement, and adaptation of parts, all as more fully hereinafter described, shown in the drawings, and then particularly pointed out in the appended claim.

The invention is clearly illustrated in the accompanying drawings, which, with the letters of reference marked thereon, form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved check-book open. Fig. 2 is an edge view of the same. Fig. 3 is an enlarged section on the line *x x* of Fig. 1.

Like letters of reference indicate like parts throughout the several views.

Referring now to the details of the drawings by letter, A designates a cover of any suitable material, united by means of any suitable flexible connection *a*, so as to constitute two like portions adapted to be folded one over the other to form a book one-half

the size of the extended cover, as will be readily understood from Fig. 2.

To the inner face of one portion or half of the cover is affixed in any suitable manner a record-sheet B, (or there may be a plurality of them, if desired,) divided vertically into columns in sets of four, the first column of each set being designated at the top by the symbol "No.," the next by the words "Amount drawn," the third by the words "Amount deposited," and the next or fourth by the word "Balance." In the drawings I have shown three of these sets of four columns; but of course this number may be varied according to the size of the book without departing from the spirit of the invention. This record-sheet is also divided horizontally with a plurality of lines, as shown in Fig. 1. The upper edge of this record-sheet extends partially over the flexible connection *a*, between the two halves of the cover, and may be left loose or unattached, as shown in Fig. 2, or gummed or otherwise secured to the said flexible connection, as shown in Fig. 1, as may be preferred.

To the inner face of the other portion of the cover is attached a strip C of fabric—such as linen, for instance—a portion of said strip C being extended beyond its connection to the cover and adapted to embrace the ends and extend a short distance over the top edge of the stubs of the checks, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3. The upper edge of this strip C is arranged at a distance from the top edge of the upper portion of the cover, as shown more clearly in Fig. 3, so that when the book is closed the portion *b* of said strip will be within the compass of the two portions of the cover.

D are the checks, each provided with a stub *d*, the checks and stubs being divided by means of a line of perforations *c*. The stubs of the checks are gummed or otherwise secured to the strip C. The free ends of the checks extend a slight distance beyond the inner edge of the portion of the cover to which they are attached, as shown in Fig. 2, so that when the book is folded the ends of the checks will press upon the free end of the record-sheet and press into the space formed by the flexible connection between the two portions of the cover, thus preventing the crumpling of the free ends of the checks,

and serving also to prevent inward folding of the flexible connection.

The simple method of attaching the checks and stubs to the cover allows of the ready  
5 removal of the used set and the insertion or attachment of a new set when desired by simply taking out the used set and regumming the portion of the strip C which is un-  
10 attached to the cover and applying it to the new set of checks in a manner which will be readily understood. The strip C does not extend entirely under the stubs; but the portion of the stubs near their junction with the  
15 checks is left unattached, as shown in Fig. 3, so that the checks can be more readily removed from the stubs when desired.

The books may be made up in different sizes; but it is intended to make them mostly in sizes adapted for pocket use.

20 What I claim as new is—

A check record book consisting of a cover connected at its center by a flexible connection, as *a*, a series of stub-checks attached at their stub end to the inner face of one portion of the cover, with their free ends ex- 25 tended into the space between the adjacent edges of the two portions of the cover, and a record-sheet attached to the inner face of the other portion of the cover, with its inner edge free and extended into the said space be- 30 tween the adjacent edges of the two portions of the cover, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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