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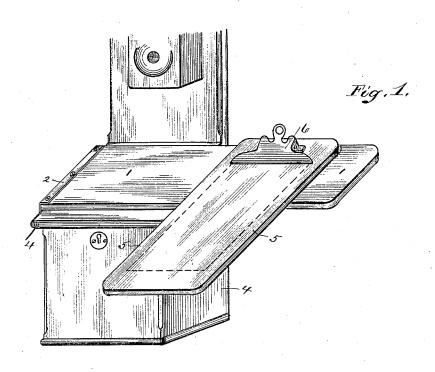
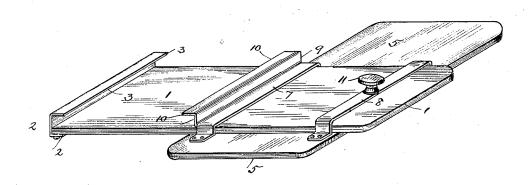


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD E. BAKER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Pittsburg, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Attachments for Telephones; and I do hereby 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 pertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to an improved attachment for telephones; and it consists in an adjustable device adapted to be secured to the box of a telephone for the purpose of holding a writing tablet or pad for recording messages, as will be fully described hereinafter.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved attachment, showing the same in position on the box of a telephone. Fig. 2 is an inverted perspective view of the same.

To put my invention into practice I provide a base-board 1, of suitable length and width, to one end of which I secure a downwardly-extending metallic piece 2, having an inwardly-projecting flange 3, adapted to rest 30 beneath one side of the box 4 of a telephone. Adjustably secured to this base-board 1, and at right angles thereto, is a small table 5, provided at the top with an ordinary paper-clip 6, and held in position by two straps 78. The 35 inner strap 7 is provided with a downward extension 9 and a flange 10 at right angles thereto, which projects beneath the opposite edge of the cover or lid of the telephone-box 4. The outer strap 8, which is attached to the 40 leaf or table 5 by wood-screws, is provided with a clamping-screw 11, which serves to make the leaf 5 rigid with the base-board 1

at any desired position.

In operation a writing-pad for memorandum purposes is attached by means of the clip 45 6. The binding-screw is first loosened and the flange 10 adjusted in the direction of the length of the base-board 1 until the same clamps tightly the two opposite edges of the box 4 and the screw 11 operated to hold the 50 device in that position.

This attachment, being adjustable, may be secured to various sizes of telephone-box lids, or may be attached to the arm of a chair, a desk, or other article of furniture.

Having thus described my invention, I

1. The herein-described attachment for telephone-boxes, consisting of a base-board having a depending flange at one end thereof, 60 and a leaf or table secured to said base-board and arranged to slide in suitable clamps thereon, one of said clamps being provided with a depending flange corresponding to the flange on the base-board, substantially as and for the 65 purpose set forth.

2. The herein-described attachment for telephones, consisting of the base-board 1, a downwardly-projecting clamp 3, secured to one end thereof, a leaf or table 5 at right anogles to said board, a combined strap and clamp secured beneath the leaf 5, capable of moving along the base-board 1 to serve as a clamp, and a strap 8, provided with a clamping-screw 11, whereby the device may be attached to objects of various sizes, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I hereunto affix my signature this 12th day of February, A. D. 1891.

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In presence of— C. C. LEE, M. E. HARRISON.