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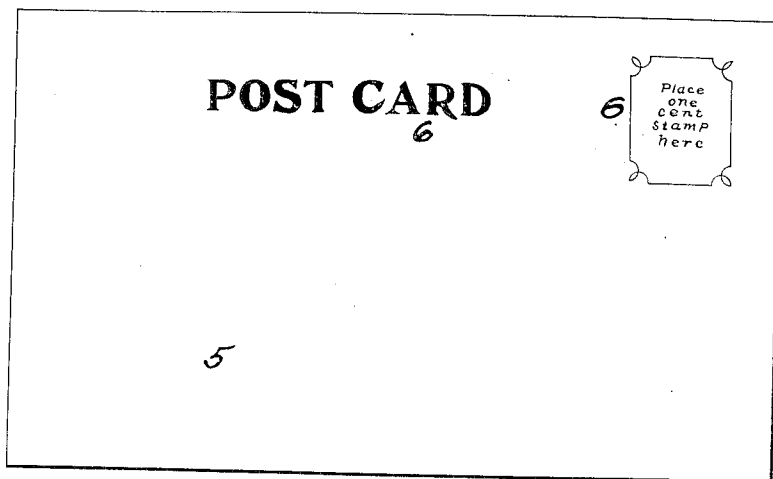


Fig. 1.

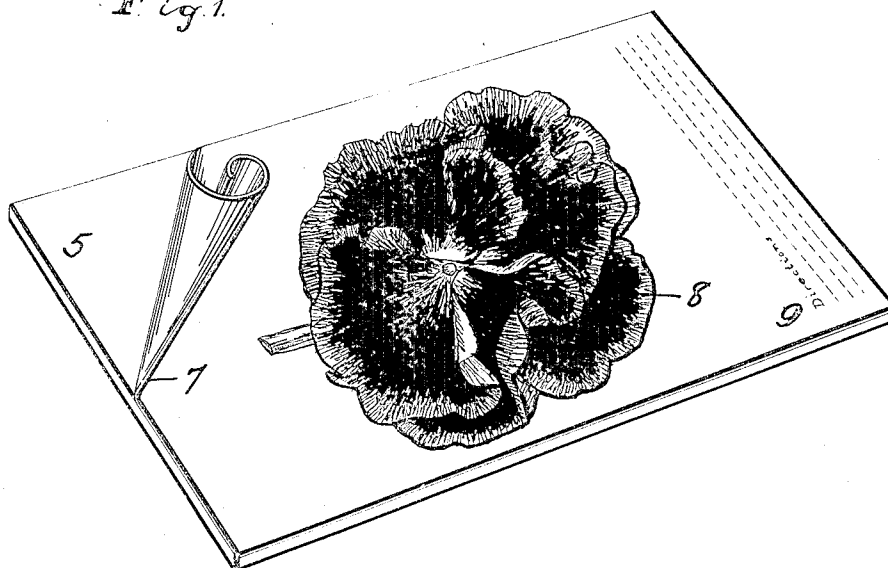


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, OTTO PALM, JR., a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Post-Cards, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a private mailing or post card of the class commonly known as souvenir post cards and has for its object the provision of a device of this character comprising a stiff backing and a removable thin decalcomania sheet carried by said backing.

As is well known the souvenir post card business has attained large proportions of late years and many people who make collections of these cards, file them in albums provided for that purpose. Since the entire cards are filed in these albums and since these cards are printed upon comparatively stiff and heavy cardboard, the album soon becomes bulky and hard to handle. I contemplate providing a post card in which the view to be retained as a memento by the recipient of a card, may be transferred directly to the album without increasing its thickness. I accomplish this as has been before stated, by providing a post card comprising a heavy backing and a thin decalcomania sheet, which during the transit of the card will be pasted upon the front of the card, this decalcomania sheet being pasted on the card, however, in such manner that it may be readily stripped therefrom by the recipient of the card. These decalcomania sheets may contain any desired picture, such as a public building, well known public characters or any of the other views that are commonly to be found upon post cards.

As an example of the element that may be employed to temporarily paste the decalcomania sheet upon the post card, I may mention water. I have found that if the decalcomania sheet be pasted upon the card with water, and sufficient pressure is applied to the decalcomania sheet, and the card, the decalcomania sheet will cling closely to the post card during transit, but may be readily stripped from the card when desired.

Further objects and advantages of the invention will be set forth in the detailed description which now follows.

In the accompanying drawing: Figure 1 is a front elevation of the post card, and Fig. 2

is a perspective view showing the decalcomania sheet partially stripped from the card proper. In this view the thicknesses of the parts have been exaggerated in order to clearly bring out the structure.

Like numerals designate corresponding parts in both of the figures of the drawing.

Referring to the drawing, the numeral 5 designates a comparatively stiff post card bearing upon one side the usual inscriptions illustrated at 6, which may be varied at will. Pasted to the rear face of the card 5 is a thin decalcomania sheet 7, which may bear any desired transfer picture such as is indicated by the flower 8 and preferably bearing directions for use indicated at 9, though these directions may be omitted if desired. The sheet 7 is pasted to the card 5 in such manner that it may be readily stripped therefrom. This is accomplished by employing a paste having such adhesive qualities as will permit this to be done, the paste possessing only the adhesive qualities necessary to hold the sheet 7 upon the card 5 during transit, but permitting the ready removal of the sheet from the card when desired.

The decalcomania sheet 7 is pasted upon the card 5 in such manner that it may be readily stripped therefrom and when it is received the picture indicated at 8 may be transferred directly to an album or to any other article which it may be desired to decorate.

What I claim, is:

1. A post card comprising a body portion of comparatively thick material, said post card bearing a removable decalcomania sheet.

2. A post card comprising a body portion of comparatively heavy paper and having a thin removable decalcomania sheet secured thereto.

3. A post card comprising a body portion of comparatively heavy paper, and a sheet of removable decalcomania transfer paper pasted to said post card.

4. A post card prepared with a layer of removable transfer paper on its back, substantially as described.

5. A private mailing or postal card having a removable layer of transfer paper on its back which is printed with a decalcomania or transfer picture.

6. A post card having a layer of removable transfer paper attached to it in such manner

that the layer of transfer paper may be stripped therefrom.

7. A postal card comprising a body portion of thick material and a layer of transfer paper attached thereto in such manner that
5 said layer of transfer paper may be readily stripped therefrom, said layer of transfer paper bearing a transfer picture and said

body portion being much heavier and stiffer than the layer of transfer paper.

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

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