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CHECK BOOK HOLDER.

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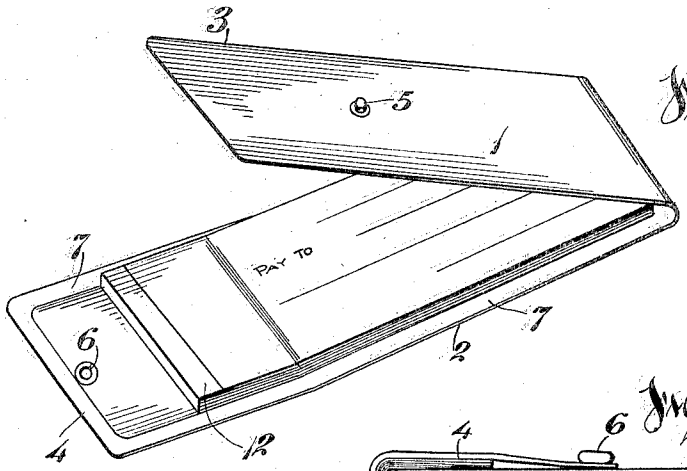


Fig. 1

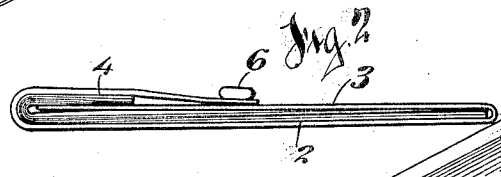


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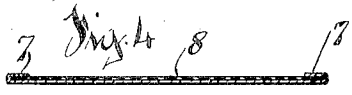


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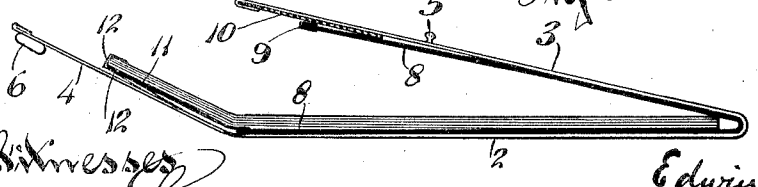


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWIN L. HENDERSON, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of Norwood, in the county of Hamilton and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Check-Book Holders, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.

It is the object of my invention to provide a check book holder of neat and compact shape, durable and useful construction, of the kind in which the checks are to be mounted in the holder which in any desired way folds over the checks, one of which is shown in the drawings.

I accomplish the desired features by using blotter paper in part as a liner of the holder, and generally by that certain construction and arrangement of parts, to be hereinafter specifically pointed out and claimed.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the holder with a check pad mounted therein, partly open. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same, in closed position. Fig. 3 is a perspective of the inside of the holder, with the check pad removed. Fig. 4 is a section on the lines 4, 4, of Fig. 3. Fig. 5 is a central longitudinal section of the holder and check pad.

It is not new in the art to employ a tab and a pocket as a means of attachment of a check pad to a holder therefor; neither is it new to provide for the insertion of a blotter in a holder of this description, but it will be noted as the detailed description is developed that in the present holder, the blotter is glued or sewed into the holder-backing, doing service as a liner and as a blotter as well.

This invention will, of course, apply to any known form of folder so long as in its form the blotter can assume this double function.

It has been found that for neatness and compactness of design and for strength and durability, this combined blotter and liner structure is a great improvement over similar articles of manufacture in the past. It saves the space taken up by the liner in past constructions and the blotter does not get folded and mussed in many different places, as a removable blotter is likely to do. The blotter does not get frayed. Moreover, it is an advantage to have the blotter permanently as a part of the holder, as a removable blotter is likely to be lost out, or, as has been said, to wear out and become necessary of replacement, at a time and place where a proper duplicate may be difficult to obtain. In such a case, the owner is likely to forget the absence of a blotter and spoil written checks by folding over the top flap of the holder in the customary way he had of blotting his checks. The ease of manufacture is also, of course, a great additional advantage in applicant's improvement.

1 is the backing piece of the holder, made preferably of leather and designed to be folded into three portions, a bottom portion 2, a blotting portion 3, and a locking and holding portion 4. Located part way back from the end of the portion 3 is the snap button 5, and on the inside of the portion 4 is located the socket piece 6 to receive the button. The button and socket are so positioned that the folding down of portion 3 and the folding on top of it of portion 4 will bring the parts together, so that the portions will be held together by the snapping of the button into the socket. The sides 7 of the backing-piece 1 are turned over, and under the edges so turned the blotter 8 is inserted, preferably glued to these edges (Fig. 4). The blotter then, as far as it extends, forms a lining or liner for the backing. This is an important feature of the structure, as was above pointed out, together with the advantages accruing therefrom.

At the end of the portion 3, the blotter may be provided with a facing 9 for protection of its edge, and be used as a pocket for cards and the like (inasmuch as it is not glued to the backing except at the sides). If this is done, it is preferred to employ an additional liner 10 in the pocket end for purposes of reinforcement. This liner is, of course, secured to the backing. In the opposite portion 4, a pocket is formed by gluing under the edges 7, above described, a leather, or other suitable material, stiff piece 11. On the stub end of the check pad is glued a tab 12, which fits into the last described pocket. As has been said, this tab and pocket method of attachment has been previously employed and it is not desired to be limited to the

means of attachment. It will be understood that the piece 11 is located beyond the end of the blotter which terminates at the folding point where the tab pocket begins.

There is shown but one kind of folder, and this is all that has been believed necessary to fully describe the invention. The standard folders are in many shapes, but, as has been said, the description as to one amply suffices for all.

The features of construction and usefulness of my device now being described and set forth, it is believed, with sufficient clearness, what I claim therein as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:—

1. In a holder for check-pads and the like, a backing therefor, a liner of blotting paper attached to the sides of the backing substantially the whole length of the holder, and the backing and the blotter in folds to close the holder.

2. In a holder for check-pads and the like, a backing therefor, a strip of blotting paper firmly attached to the sides of the backing substantially the whole length of the holder, and folds in the backing and the blotter to close the holder.

3. In a holder for check-pads and the like, a backing therefor, a strip of blotting paper firmly attached to the sides of the backing and positioned to serve as a liner therefor, folds in the backing to close the holder, and means of reinforcing the blotting paper to form a pocket on the said backing.

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