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FIG. 1.

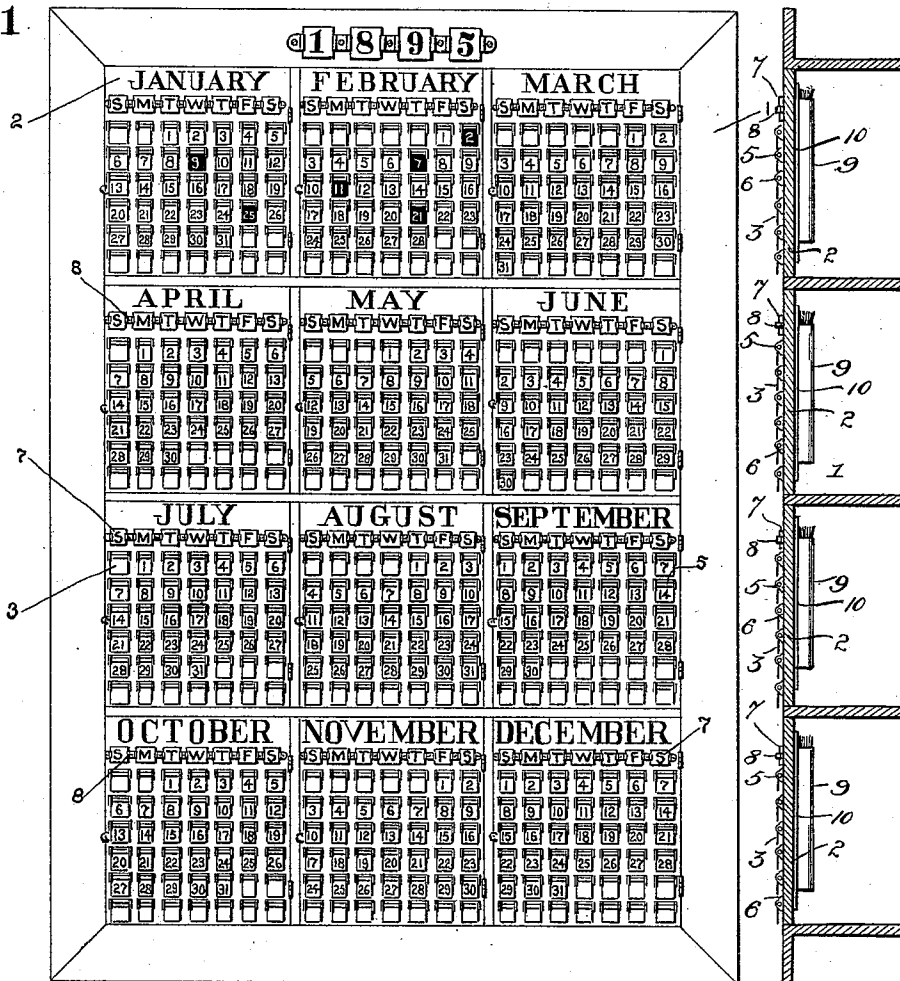


FIG. 1^a

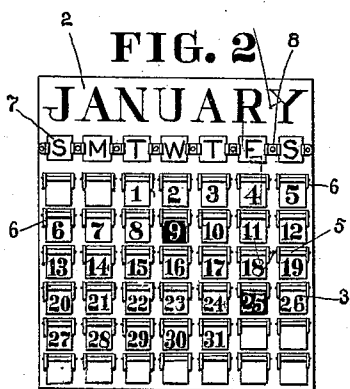


FIG. 2

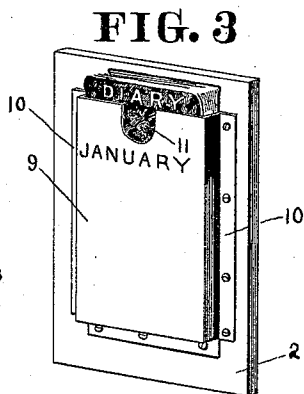


FIG. 3

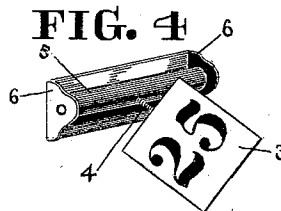


FIG. 4

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DOUGLAS S. SEIBERT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Coudersport, in the county of Potter and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Calendar, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an improvement in calendars, and has for its object to provide a combined cabinet and calendar in which a series of pigeonholes or compartments are provided with hinged doors or sliding drawers to the front faces of which are attached a plurality of reversible date plates or tabs indicating the days of the months, together with series of adjustable plates having represented thereon the days of the week and the months of the year.

A further object of the invention is to provide, in connection with each door or drawer, a pocket secured to the inner face thereof and adapted to receive and contain a diary or a number of cards in or upon which may be written any desired memoranda.

Other objects and advantages will appear in the course of the subjoined description.

In order to accomplish the above-mentioned objects, the invention consists in an improved calendar embodying certain novel features and details of construction and arrangement of parts, as hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the drawings and finally incorporated in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of a combination pigeonhole cabinet and calendar constructed in accordance with the present invention. Fig. 1^a is a vertical transverse sectional view through the same. Fig. 2 is an enlarged face view of one of the hinged doors of the cabinet. Fig. 3 is a perspective view looking toward the inner face of one of the doors. Fig. 4 is an enlarged detail perspective view of one of the reversible date plates or tabs, the shaft to which the same is swiveled and the manner of mounting the latter.

Similar numerals of reference designate corresponding parts in the several figures of the drawings.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, 1 designates a cabinet of any desired size and

material, which for the purpose of carrying out this invention is constructed with a series of twelve pigeonholes or compartments, corresponding to the number of months in the year, and of a size adapting the same to receive bills, papers or other documents. As shown in the drawings, each of said pigeonholes or compartments is closed by means of a door 2, preferably hinged thereto on a vertical axis so as to be capable of being opened for giving access thereto.

To the front face of each one of these twelve doors is secured a plurality of plates or tabs 3, each of which has printed, stamped or otherwise represented upon both of its faces a number corresponding to one of the days of the month, and these plates or tabs are arranged to correspond with the order in which the days of the particular month occur in the current year, the arrangement being exactly similar to any ordinary yearly calendar. These date plates or tabs are preferably made of thin metal and are substantially square, and each is provided with a vertically-extending threaded shank 4, which enters a threaded perforation or socket in a horizontally-disposed shaft or pivot 5, which corresponds in length approximately to the width of the date plate and is journaled at its opposite ends in suitable brackets or ears 6, projecting from the face of the door in the manner illustrated in the drawings. These date plates or tabs are preferably nickel-plated or given any desired ornamental finish, and each plate has the same number applied to both of its faces, the only difference between its two faces being that the number on one side is, for instance, represented in black, while the number upon its opposite face is represented in red. These colors, of course, are not essential to the invention, and the particular colors are used only for the sake of giving a clear description of the objects of the invention. In fact it is not necessary to employ different colors, as the appearance of the opposite sides of the plates may be changed or varied so as to be easily distinguishable in any desired or preferred manner.

By means of the construction described it will be seen that by lifting one of the date plates or tabs and rocking the same upon its

shaft or pivot as a center it may be swiveled upon its threaded shank or given a half-turn in either direction so as to present the opposite face thereof to view, the object of which is to render any desired date especially conspicuous for calling a person's attention to the fact, for instance, that he has an engagement on that particular date. In addition to the reversible date plates or tabs above described, each of said doors has a series of adjustable plates, having represented thereon the days of the week, as indicated at 7, such plates being arranged in the same order as found upon an ordinary calendar and held in place between vertically-disposed cleats 8, the edges of which are deflected outwardly in order to permit said plates 7 to slide under them, as shown. This construction admits of the order of said plates being varied, which is sometimes found desirable, where, under the ordinary arrangement, more than five horizontal rows of numbers would be required. Each of the doors also has printed, preferably near its top edge, the name of one of the months in the year, and as this does not need to be changed it may be permanently represented thereon.

Secured to the rear or inner face of each of the twelve doors is a pocket 9, preferably made from sheet metal, and comprising a base portion 10, which is adapted to be secured to the inner face of the door, and a rectangular pocket portion either formed integrally therewith or made separately and secured thereto and adapted to receive a diary or other blank book or series of cards having the days of the month printed in or upon the same. This pocket is also provided with a finger notch or slot 11, facilitating the extraction of the diary or cards referred to.

In the use of the combined cabinet and calendar above described a person having, for instance, an engagement on the tenth of any particular month will, in the manner hereinbefore described, reverse the date plate or tab containing the number corresponding to that date in such manner as to bring the opposite face thereof into view. He then opens the door, removes the diary or card from the pocket upon the inner face thereof, and writes within or upon the same such memoranda as will enable him at any time to understand the nature of the engagement occurring upon that particular date.

By reason of the difference in the appearance of the numbers upon the opposite sides of the reversible date plate or tab the eye is immediately attracted to the particular plate which has been reversed. By reason of the screw-threaded connection of the date plates or tabs with the horizontally-disposed shafts or pivots referred to the arrangement of said plates or tabs may be changed at the beginning of a new year to correspond with the

order in which the days occur in a manner that will be readily understood.

The digits which represent the year are arranged at the top of the frame or cabinet and printed or otherwise represented upon reversible tabs or plates similar to those upon which the days of the week are represented, said tabs or plates being held between vertically-disposed cleats similar to those, 8, between which the plates 7 slide. A sufficient number of these numbered tabs or plates are supplied with each calendar to make the necessary change from year to year. A simple and efficient perpetual calendar, office-tickler, diary, and document-cabinet is thus obtained which will be found of great convenience and utility in all branches of business.

It will be apparent that various changes in the form, proportion, and minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the advantages of this invention.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new, and desired to be secured by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a calendar, the combination with a suitable face-board, of a series of reversible date plates or tabs each having a swiveled connection with a rock-shaft or pivot mounted in bearings upon the front of said face-board, said date plates or tabs having represented upon their opposite faces numbers corresponding to the days of the month, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

2. The combination with a cabinet having a series of pigeonholes or compartments corresponding in number to the months of the year, of a corresponding series of doors for covering said pigeonholes or compartments, each of said doors having a plurality of reversible date plates or tabs representing the days of the month and each having a swiveled connection with a separate and independent rock-shaft or pivot mounted in bearings upon said door, substantially as and for the purpose described.

3. In a calendar, the combination with a face-plate or other flat supporting-surface, of a series of reversible date plates or tabs arranged flatwise thereon and having a positive connection therewith and adapted to be turned so as to present their reverse faces to view without detaching them from their support, the said plates or tabs being arranged in rows extending across the supporting-surface, substantially as and for the purpose described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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