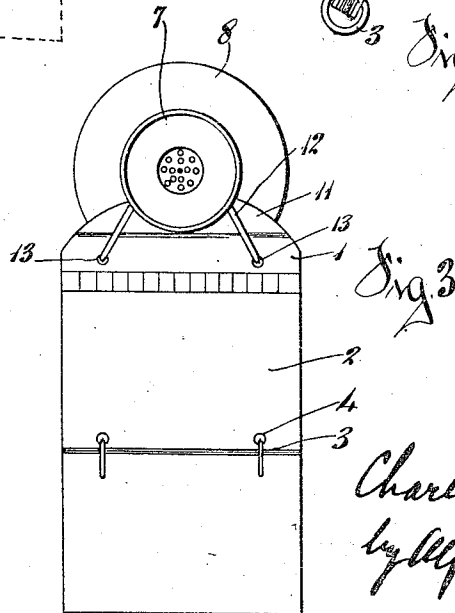
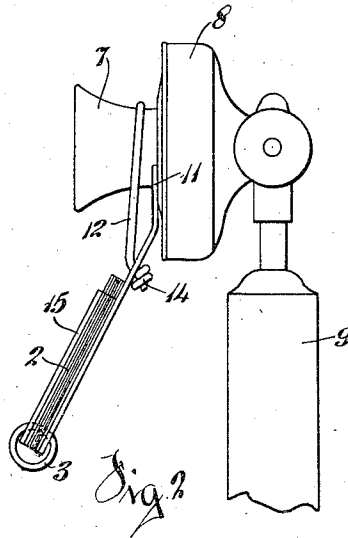
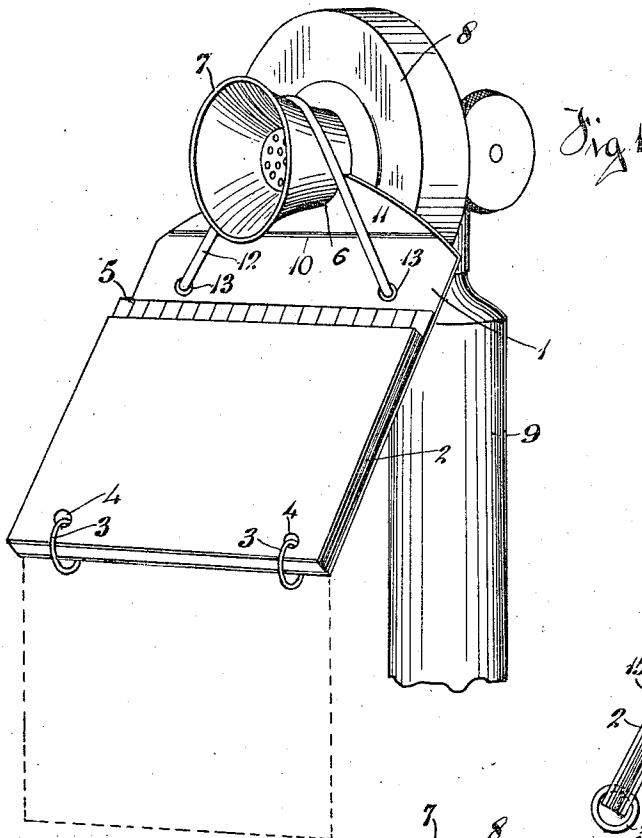


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES F. HENDERSON, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Madisonville, in the county of Hamilton and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Telephone-Directories, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, forming part of this specification.

My invention relates to telephone index directories, comprising a series of indexed leaves for the names and telephone calls of any desired parties, with the leaves suitably bound together into a booklet, and adapted to be suspended from the mouth piece of a telephone transmitter.

The invention consists of that certain novel construction and arrangement of parts to be hereinafter particularly pointed out and claimed, whereby the booklet may be adjustably suspended from the mouth piece of the transmitter, without swinging or hanging loose, at such an incline or angle as may be desired to hold the booklet, when in use, without covering the mouth piece or otherwise impeding the use of the instrument in either open or closed position, and in which both sides of the leaves of the booklet may be utilized for the names, with each side equally accessible, whereby a booklet of half the size of those in use for such purpose for the same number of names may be furnished, thus very materially cheapening the cost.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved construction in place on the telephone transmitter. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same, with the booklet closed. Fig. 3 is a front elevation with the booklet open.

The booklet is constructed with a stiff back 1, of cardboard or other suitable material, and to this back a series of leaves 2 are bound or secured loosely so as to open readily by the rings 3, 3, passing through eyelets 4, 4, in each leaf and the back. The leaves of the booklet are indexed in the usual way by index tabs 5, secured to or integral with the leaves and extending above the upper edges of the leaves. The stiff back of the booklet is extended upwardly and provided with a segmental cut-away portion 6 to fit under and partially around

the mouth piece 7 of a telephone transmitter 8, which is mounted on the usual standard 9. A short distance below the upper end of the back of the booklet a horizontal score line 10 is formed, so that the portion above the score line forms a flap 11 to fit snugly against the casing of the structure.

The booklet is suspended from the mouth piece of the structure by a cord 12, the ends of which pass through eyelets 13, 13, in the book back, and are knotted at 14 to hold the suspending cord in place. The loop of the suspending cord 12 is of such length that when the booklet is suspended, the back 1 will be held at an incline or angle to the vertical, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, so that when the leaves 2 and the cover 15 are closed, they will remain closed, and when opened at any leaflet, the leaves in front will hang down vertically from the back suspended by the rings 3, while the balance of the leaves will remain in contact with the back of the booklet. The angle of adjustment of the back can be readily adjusted by taking up or letting out the cord 12 as desired, by means of the knots.

It will be evident from the foregoing description that a very convenient and inexpensive booklet is provided, easily suspended from the mouth piece of the transmitter in convenient position for use. Inasmuch as the booklet is held braced by the cord and flap 11, there is no metal in contact with the mouth piece, and the booklet will not rattle when swung or when the telephone instruments are used or moved from side to side.

Inasmuch as the index is at the upper edge of the leaves and the leaves open downwardly, both sides of each leaf can be employed for the names and telephone numbers, and when the book is in either open or closed position, the mouth piece remains uncovered, and the use of the instrument is in no way impeded. It will also be noticed that in using the index directory, it does not have to be held in the hand,—the user merely opens to the proper leaf as indicated by the index tab and drops the leaves in front, so that the desired names and numbers are directly in front of the user.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:

1. A directory comprising a series of

leaves, with a stiff back to which the leaves are loosely bound at their lower edges, the back being extended upwardly to engage under a suitable support, and a suspending bail attached to the back and adapted to hold the back in engagement with the support at an angle to the vertical.

2. A directory comprising a series of leaves, with a stiff back to which the leaves are loosely bound at their lower edges, a flexible extension at the upper edge of the back to engage under a suitable support, and a suspending bail attached to the back to flex the back and hold the same at an angle to the vertical.

3. A telephone directory comprising a series of leaves indexed at their upper edges, with a stiff back to which the leaves are loosely bound at their lower edges, the back being extended upwardly and provided with a flexible member to engage under the mouth piece of the telephone transmitter

and a suspending cord, adapted to be adjusted in length to bend the flexible member and hold the back at any desired angle to the vertical.

4. In a telephone directory comprising a series of leaves indexed at their upper edges, with a stiff back to which the leaves are loosely bound at their lower edges, the back being extended upwardly and provided with a flexible member to engage under the mouth piece of the telephone transmitter, and a suspending cord with eyelets in horizontal alinement near the side edges of the back through which the ends of the cord are passed, with knots in the ends of the cord to take up the same to hold the back at any desired angle to the vertical.

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