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SHEET MUSIC.

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FIG. 1.

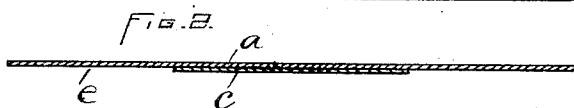
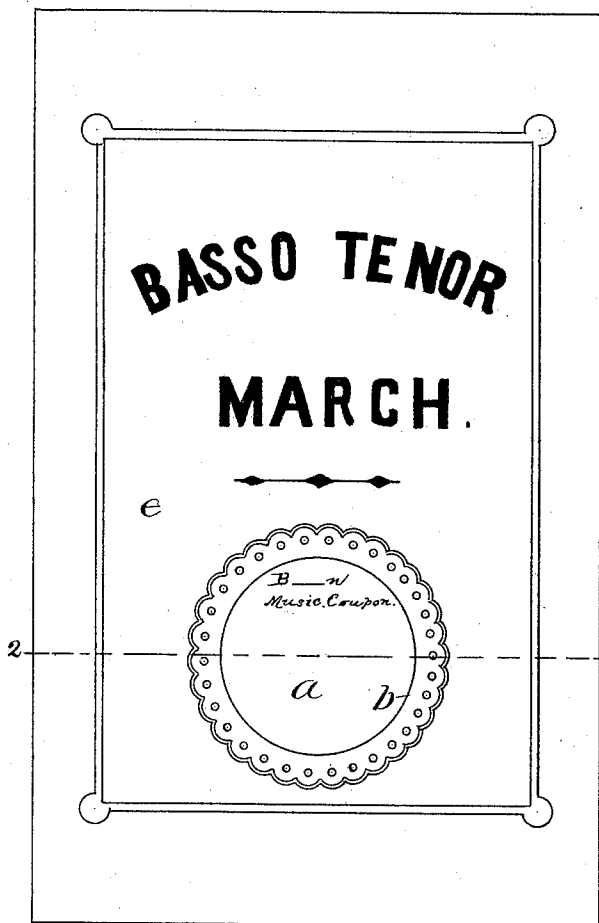
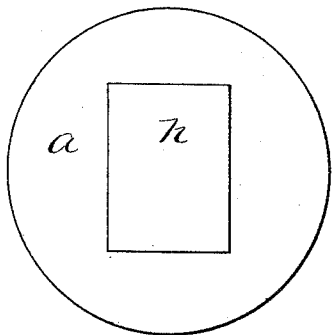


FIG. 6.



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FIG. 3.



FIG. 4.

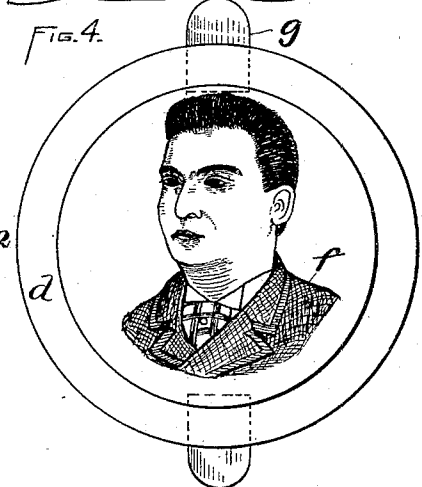
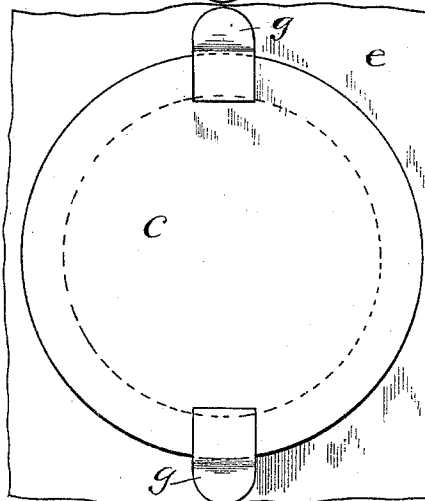


FIG. 5.



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SHEET-MUSIC.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES F. PIDGIN, of Cambridge, in the county of Middlesex and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain
5 new and useful Improvements in Sheet-Music, (for which I have made application for Letters Patent of Canada, which application was filed February 27, 1891, and given number 56,144,) of which the following is a specification.

My invention has relation to sheet-music, and has for its object the provision of such improvements as will enable a portion to be cut or detached from the title or other page
15 of a "piece" of sheet-music without marring the page and permit of the use of the said portion as a coupon in the purchase of a new piece, as well as in the transmission of money through the mails to effect such purchase.

My invention consists of the improvements which I will now proceed to describe and claim, reference being had to the annexed drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, forming a part of this specification, the same letters designating the same parts or features, as the case may be, wherever they occur.

Of the drawings, Figure 1 represents the title-page of a piece of sheet-music drawn to a reduced scale. Fig. 2 is a sectional view taken on the line 2 2 of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a front view of a fragment of Fig. 1 after the portion to be used as a coupon has been cut out. Fig. 4 is a front view of the cover for the coupon-space. Fig. 5 is a rear view of Fig. 3. Fig. 6
35 is a rear view of the coupon.

In carrying out my invention I print upon the title or other page of a piece of sheet-music a portion *a* with a surrounding (or it may be a partially-surrounding line) *b*, for a purpose to be presently explained. In the present instance I have shown the portion *a* and line of demarcation as round, though they may be of any other shape. The portion is so
45 arranged and the printing upon the page is so placed as to adapt the said portion to be cut out and yet leave the regular printed matter, ornamental borders, &c., intact, the line *b* serving as a guide in the cutting out of the coupon.

c designates a cover for the space caused by the removal of portion *a*, which cover is,

as shown, greater in diameter than the said portion, and has its edges *d* "gummed," so that the cover *c* may be pasted upon the back of the sheet *e* and cover the space from
55 which the said portion was cut, as is represented in Fig. 3. A suitable ornamental figure *f* may, if desired, be printed upon the face of the cover, so that after the same is pasted on the sheet it will not only appear as an integral part, but enhance the æsthetic effect thereof.

The cover *c* may be temporarily secured to the sheet before the portion *a* is cut out in any suitable way. As shown in Figs. 4 and
65 5, the cover is temporarily tacked to the sheet by means of thin paper clips *g*, extending from the cover to the sheet and pasted upon both.

The exact temporary location of the cover *c* is immaterial, the object of so attaching it to the sheet being to prevent its loss. One location which might be preferred would be to tack it by means of the clips *g*, with the face of the cover to the said back. Then
75 when the portion *a* is to be cut out one of the clips may be torn and the cover folded back (the other clip acting as a hinge) to prevent marring the cover by the cutting implement. Then after cutting out the said portion *a* the gummed edge of the cover *c* will be moistened
80 and the cover laid back to its original position, the said edge being caused to adhere to the sheet *e* around the opening.

I may provide a suitably-gummed piece of paper *h*, adapted to be pasted upon the back
85 of the coupon, as is represented in Fig. 6, so that a coin—as, for example, a dime—may be confined between the coupon and paper piece *h* pasted thereover to enable the piece of money to be conveniently transmitted through
90 the mails with the coupon.

Suitable directions concerning the use of the coupon and cover may be printed thereon.

By my invention I provide means whereby purchasers of music may procure the same
95 directly from the publisher and so obtain the advantage of reduced rates, which may be offered because of direct purchase or because of buying all music from a single publisher or dealer.

Having thus explained the nature of my invention and described a way in which the

same may be made and used, though without attempting to describe all of the forms of construction, I declare that what I claim is—

1. A sheet of music provided with a figure
5 outlined thereupon for indicating the size and shape of a portion to be removed therefrom for use as a coupon, said sheet having also a cover for the space caused by the removal of said portion, as set forth.

10 2. A sheet of music provided with a figure outlined thereupon for indicating the size and shape of a portion to be removed therefrom for use as a coupon, said sheet having also a

cover for the space caused by the removal of said portion, said cover being larger in diameter than the outlined portion and having a
15 gummed edge, as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification, in the presence of two subscribing witnesses, this 19th day of
20 February, A. D. 1891.

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