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MEMORANDUM RECEPTACLE.

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NO MODEL.

Fig. 1.

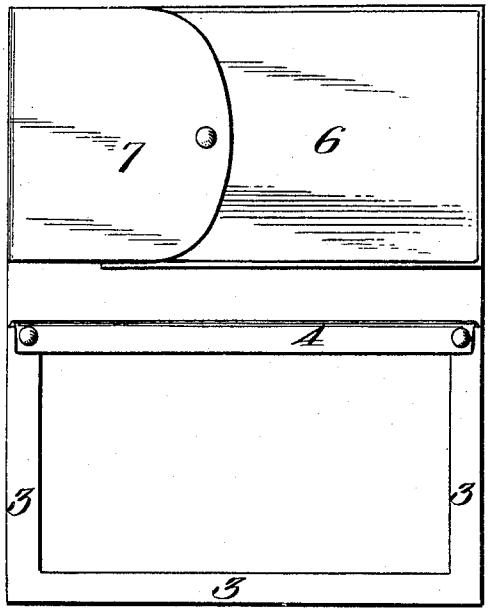


Fig. 2.

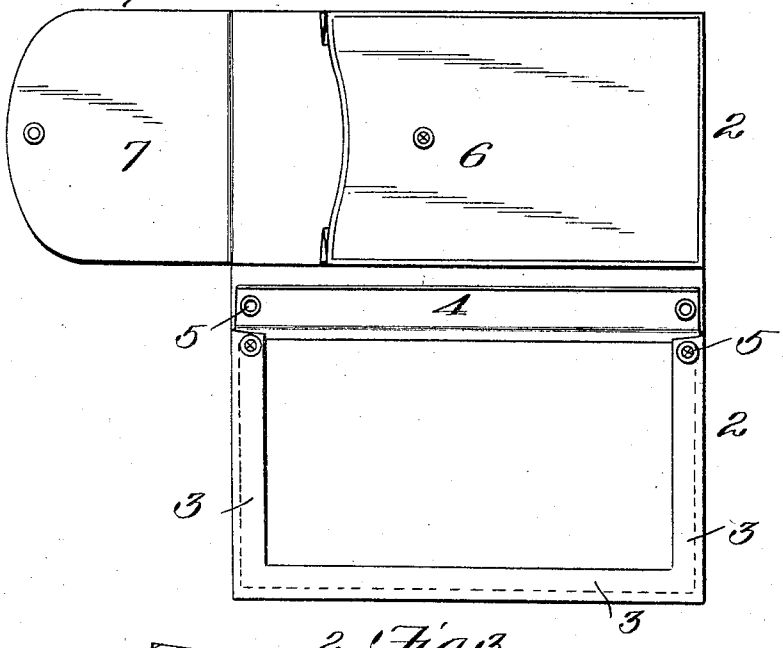
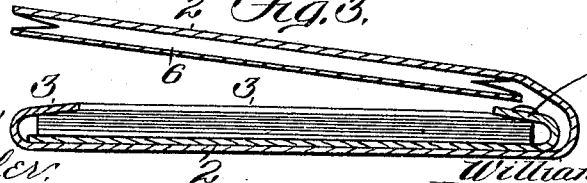


Fig. 3.



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MEMORANDUM-RECEPTACLE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM L. LINDSLEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Pittsburg, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented new and useful Improvements in Memorandum-Receptacles, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to what I shall for convenience term a "receptacle for memorandum sheets, pads, and the like," the object of the invention being to provide a simple article of this character of such construction that a pad or sheet can be readily removed therefrom when filled or partly filled and a fresh pad or sheet as readily substituted therefor.

In the embodiment of the invention which I have selected for illustration in the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, the receptacle is shown as being in the form of a pocket-book having two flaps or leaves, one of which has a memorandum pad or sheet marginal engaging portion which securely retains the pad or sheet in position and of such width that the entire upper or outer face of a sheet or of the topmost leaf of a pad is left visible to receive writings, &c. In the present instance such marginal engaging portion consists of a plurality of separably-connected pieces by virtue of which when one piece is detached from the other a sheet or pad can be easily removed and another one inserted into the receptacle instead thereof.

The improved device may be put to a variety of uses, it having been found particularly advantageous for commercial travelers who utilize the sheets or pad to which reference has been made for receiving memoranda of different kinds.

As previously indicated, the receptacle constituting the subject-matter of the present application is in the form of a pocket-book, one of the flaps thereof having the marginal engaging portion, to which allusion has been made, while the other one can be provided with a pocket or pouch to receive mileage, railway-tickets, and other things.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a face view of a memorandum pad or sheet receptacle involving my invention, the same being represented as open and the sheets or pad as held therein by the marginal engaging means. Fig. 2 is a similar view showing the pocket on one of the leaves open and one section of the marginal engaging portion as separated from the other to effect the removal of a pad or sheets and the application of a fresh pad or sheets. Fig. 3 is a transverse sectional elevation.

Like characters refer to like parts throughout the several views.

The memorandum pad or sheet receiving receptacle, as hereinbefore stated, is advantageously made in the form of a pocket-book, and in this case it consists of two leaves, each denoted by 2 and flexibly connected together, so that one leaf can close or fold upon the other. The leaves, as well as the flexible connection between the same, may be made from leather or other material in a manner like that followed in the manufacture of pocket-books and portfolios of the well-known kinds. One leaf is adapted to carry a memorandum pad or sheets or equivalent articles, as the invention is not limited in this respect. However, the device has been found practicable as a receiver for memorandum sheets or pads by commercial travelers, the sheets or pads being so held in place that practically their entire faces are exposed for reference or the jotting down of memoranda.

The pads or sheets are held in position against the leaf which directly carries them by marginal engaging means, which is represented as being of approximately rectangular form and of such width as to lap over simply the outer edges of the pads or sheets, whereby the advantage hereinbefore expressed is attained.

The marginal engaging portion consists of two strips 3 and 4, the strip 4 being separably connected with the strip 3, which it will be seen is of three-sided form in order to overlap the two sides and bottom of the pads or sheets carried against the leaf 2, while the strip 4 overlies the top of the pad and is detachably connected with the terminal portions of the three-sided strip 3. The said strips may be united to the leaf 2 in any desirable manner.

It will be seen that the strips 3 and 4 are separably connected by the well-known glove-fasteners, each denoted by 5, one strip carrying the stud members of the fasteners, while the other strip carries the socket members thereof. In Fig. 1 the parts are represented as occupying their normal positions, a pad or sheets being retained in place against the leaf 2. To remove the pads or sheets, the top or inner strip 4 is separated from the terminal portions of the three-sided strip 3, so that the upper edge of the sheets or pad can be grasped to slip the said sheets or pad from under the three-sided strip 3, or the top leaf of a pad can be readily separated therefrom by opening the strip 4 and slightly laying back the three-sided strip 3 and can be placed under the bottom of the pad. Upon the complete removal of a pad or sheets when filled fresh sheets or pad can be easily slipped under the three-sided strip 3, and when in place the top strip 4 will be connected by the fasteners 5 with said three-sided strip, it being understood that the two strips complete the rectangular pad or sheet marginal engaging portion. The strip 3 of course can be made in several parts, if desired, although it is represented as being made in a continuous piece, this being simply for convenience and ease of manufacture. In like manner it is not essential that the strips 3 and 4 should be exactly of rectangular form, for this shape may be varied to adapt the device for retaining sheets of a different shape than those illustrated.

What is shown in Figs. 1 and 2 as the lower leaf of the book is provided with the pad or sheet marginal engaging means, the same being upon the inner side thereof. The complemental leaf 2 is provided with a pocket or pouch, as 6, adapted to be closed by a flap or guard, as 7, detachably connected with the pocket or pouch by a glove or other fastener, as 8. This pocket or pouch can be utilized for receiving different kinds of articles. When the article as a whole is used by a commercial traveler, the said pocket can be effectively utilized as a receptacle for mileage-books and railway-tickets or currency, &c., as may be desired by the individual user. When closed, the receptacle as a whole can be conveniently placed within the pocket of a garment. Upon opening the leaves 2 the memorandum-sheets held by what is represented in Fig. 1 as the lower leaf are at once accessible for receiving memoranda.

The invention is not limited to the exact structure hereinbefore set forth, for certain variations may be adopted within the scope of my claims; nor do I limit myself to any particular use of the receptacle hereinbefore described, for it may be employed in many other ways than those indicated.

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

1. A memorandum-receptacle including a leaf having means to positively engage the marginal portion only of an object and leave the remaining portion of such object free to view, said means consisting of a plurality of continuous strips detachably engaged for the insertion or removal of such object.

2. A memorandum-receptacle to be carried in the pocket, consisting of two flexibly-connected leaves foldable toward each other, one of said leaves having means to positively engage the marginal portion only of an object to thereby leave the remaining portion of said object exposed, said means consisting of a plurality of continuous strips, the terminal portions of which are detachably connected.

3. A memorandum-receptacle to be carried in the pocket, consisting of two flexibly-connected leaves foldable toward each other, one of said leaves having means to positively engage the marginal portion only of an object to leave the remaining portion thereof exposed to view, said means consisting of a plurality of continuous strips detachably connected for the insertion and removal of the object, the other leaf having a pocket.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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