No. 718,058. PATENTED JAN. 6, 1903.

A. E. SEXTON.

PAPER HOLDER.

APPLICATION FILED APR. 23, 1902.

NO MODEL.

Fig. 1.

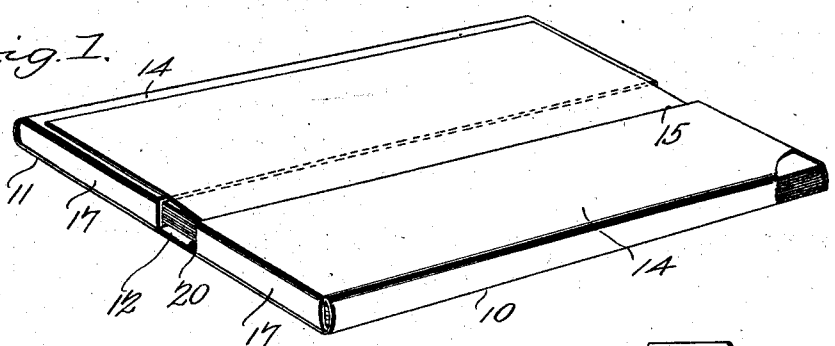


Fig. 2.

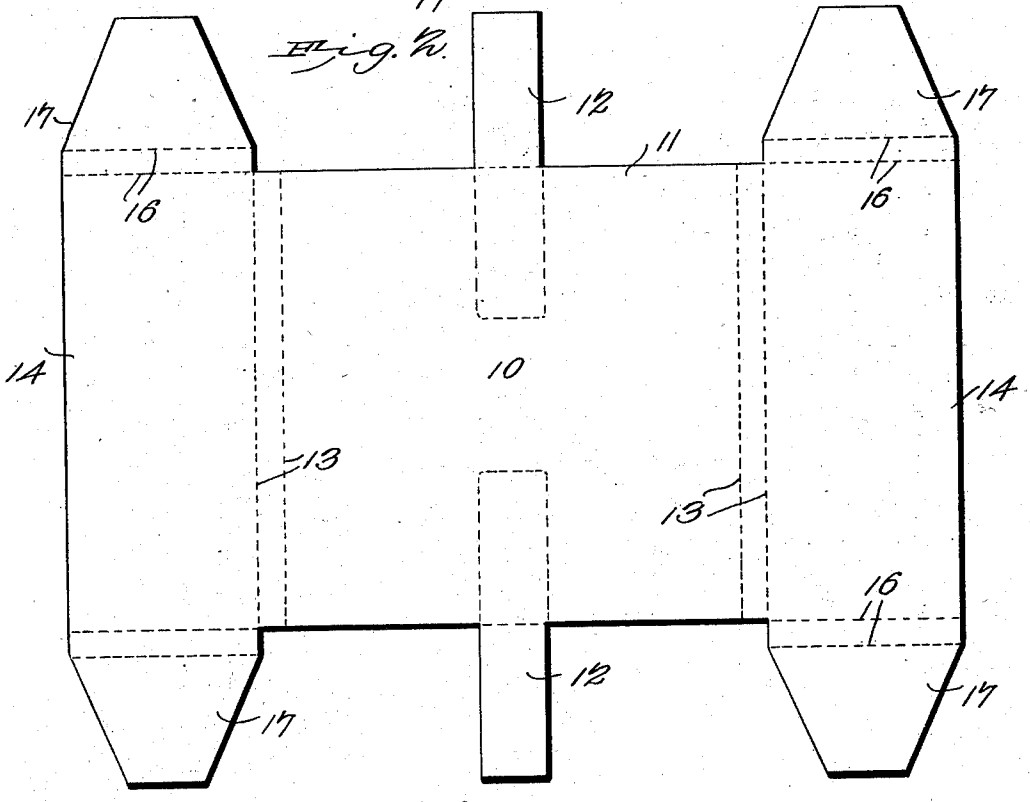
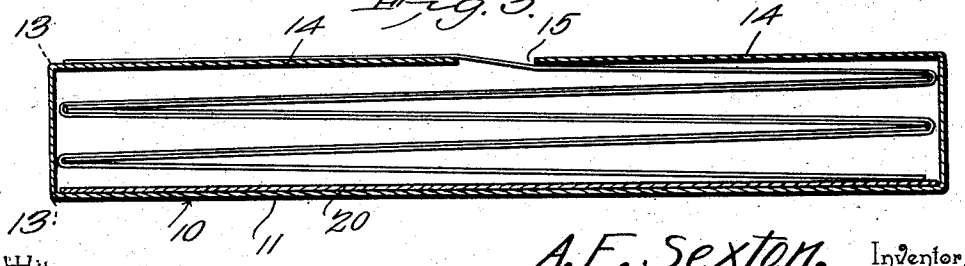


Fig. 3.



Witnesses

E. P. Stewart

Jno. E. Parker

A. E. Sexton, Inventor.

by C. A. Snow & Co

Attorneys

THE NORRIS PETERS CO., PHOTO-LITHO., WASHINGTON, D. C.

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE.

ARTHUR E. SEXTON, OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, ASSIGNOR TO SINGLE-SHEET PAPER COMPANY, OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, A CORPORATION OF CALIFORNIA.

PAPER-HOLDER.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 718,058, dated January 6, 1903.

Application filed April 23, 1902. Serial No. 104,350. (No model.)

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ARTHUR E. SEXTON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Los Angeles, in the county of Los Angeles and State of California, have invented a new and useful Paper-Holder, of which the following is a specification.

The object of the present invention is to provide a simple and inexpensive form of holder for carrying a number of sheets of toilet or shaving paper in the pocket, the device being especially adapted for use in connection with interfolded or interlocked sheets of paper so arranged that when one sheet is pulled from the holder a portion of the next succeeding sheet will be withdrawn and held in convenient position to be pulled from the holder when required.

One of the principal objects of the invention is to construct a device of this character of the cheapest materials and most economical construction, so that it may be employed as an advertising novelty or sold at very small cost.

With these and other objects in view the invention consists in the novel construction and arrangement of parts hereinafter described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, and particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a paper-holder constructed in accordance with my invention, the holder being illustrated with one corner broken away to show the interior construction. Fig. 2 is a similar view of the paper blank of which the holder is formed. Fig. 3 is a detail sectional view of the holder, drawn to an exaggerated scale in order to illustrate the method of folding the paper.

Similar numerals of reference are employed to indicate corresponding parts throughout the several figures of the drawings.

Referring first to Fig. 2 of the drawings, 10 indicates a paper blank forming the holder, said blank being divided by folding-lines into a number of sections. The main section 11 is of a size slightly greater than one-half of the size of the sheets which the holder is to contain and at the center of its upper and lower edges is provided with small tabs 12, which are subsequently folded over to the positions indicated in dotted lines. At the vertical edges of the main section 11 are parallel folding-lines 13, arranged in pairs, the space between each pair representing the thickness of the holder, and at points outside these folding-lines 13 are sections 14, each of a vertical height equal to that of the main section 11, but the combined width of the end sections being less than the width of the section 11, so that when the holder is folded together the adjacent ends of the two end sections will be slightly separated to form a paper-discharge slot 15, as shown in Fig. 1. The width of this slot is equal to the width of the small tabs 12, so that when the various sections are folded the parts will be more firmly held together.

At each end of each end section 14 is a pair of parallel folding-lines 16, separated from each other for a distance equal to the thickness of the package, and beyond these folding-lines are tabs 17 of a length about equal to the length of the tabs 12. The side edges of the tabs 17 are inclined, as shown in Fig. 2, in order to facilitate the folding of the holder.

The paper which the holder is to contain may be of any suitable quality for the purpose intended, and each sheet is folded in two, the folding-lines being disposed alternately in opposite directions and the leaves formed by the folding of each sheet being interlocked or interfolded with the similar leaves of the next adjacent sheet on each side. The manner of folding is more clearly illustrated in Fig. 3, which is partly in the nature of a diagram in order to more clearly illustrate the interlocking of adjacent sheets.

In folding the holder 10 a backing-sheet 20, of cardboard, heavy paper, or other material, is first placed against the face of the section 11 of the blank, the area of the sheet 20 and the section 11 being equal. The tabs 12 are then folded over the face of the sheet 20 to the position indicated by dotted lines in Fig. 2, and the prepared paper forming the contents of the holder is next placed on top of the sheet 20, confining the tabs 12 in place. The

sections 14 are then bent over from the opposite edges of the section 11, the parallel folding-lines 13 permitting of the angular formation of the side edges of the holder. The tabs 17 are then bent on the pairs of parallel folding-lines 16, and the tapered tabs are then inserted between the sheet 20 and the adjacent face of the section 11 of the blank, the device being then complete and in readiness for use.

The stiffened backing-sheet 20 serves as a support to hold the paper from crumpling when carried in the pocket, and the holder is additionally braced by the contact of the adjacent edges of the tabs 12 and that portion of the end sections 14 included between the pairs of folding-lines 16. In this way the front of the holder, or that side in which the discharge-slot is located, is supported and the slot is held open while successive sheets are being extracted from the holder. The paper is folded in such manner that a portion of a sheet will always project through the discharge-slot in convenient position to be grasped and pulled from the holder, the extraction of one sheet causing a portion of the next succeeding sheet to pass through the discharge-slot.

The holder is so constructed as to offer an extensive surface for advertisements and is formed of such cheap material that it may be employed to advantage as an advertising novelty, the holder-blank being formed of thin and inexpensive paper, while the thickened back piece being entirely covered may be formed of strawboard scrap or any suitable material which will give the necessary rigidity to the device.

While the construction herein described, and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, is the preferred form of the device, it is obvious that various changes in the form, proportions, size, and minor details of the structure may be made without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

1. A paper-holder comprising a stiffened back piece, and a paper blank folded to inclose both the back piece and the paper forming the contents of the holder, the proximate edges of the blank being spaced to form a delivery-slot for the paper and being held in spaced relation by tabs forming a part of said blank.

2. A paper-holder comprising a stiffened back piece, and a blank folded to inclose both the back piece and the paper, said blank comprising three main sections each having a plurality of end tabs formed by tongues projecting beyond the body portions of said sections, the proximate edges of the end sections being spaced to form a delivery-slot for the paper, and the edges of the tabs of the three sections being in contact thereby to assist in holding the walls of the slot in proper position.

3. A blank for a paper-holder comprising a main section 11, end sections 14 divided therefrom by pairs of parallel folding-lines 13, tabs 12 divided from the upper and lower edges of the main section by folding-lines, tabs 17 having inclined edges and divided from the ends of the sections 14 by pairs of parallel folding-lines 16, the combined width of the tabs 12 and sections 14 being approximately equal to the width of the section 11, substantially as specified.

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

ARTHUR E. SEXTON.

Witnesses:
J. F. ANDREWS,
W. F. CALLANDER.