

(No Model.)

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COMBINATION BANK BOOK.

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FIG. 1.

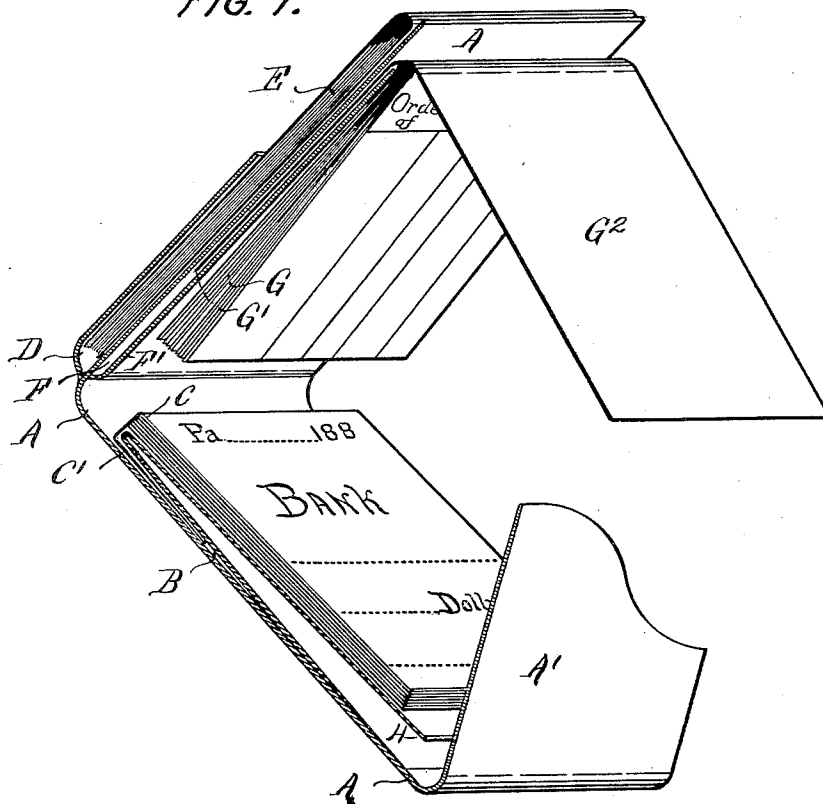
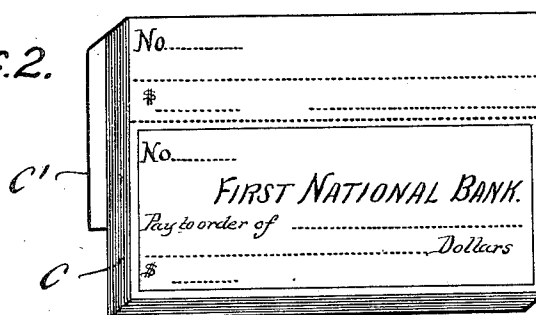


FIG. 2.



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COMBINATION BANK-BOOK.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 398,875, dated March 5, 1889.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. BENSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Reading, in the county of Berks and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combination Bank-Books; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The object of this invention is to furnish a pocket-book which will contain the blank-book, check-book, &c., required by a bank depositor, in convenient and compact form and permit of their being readily removed and replaced when desired.

Figure 1 is a perspective sectional view showing the case open and the bank-book, check-book, and record-book held in their several positions. Fig. 2 shows a form of stub check-book which may be used, if preferred, and the separate record-book dispensed with.

The case A, preferably of leather, has a flap, A', on one side, and an outer pocket, D, on the other, in the latter of which is placed a loose bank-book, E, of a size adapted to fit said pocket and reaching to the top of the case A. The part of the book which extends beyond the pocket is covered by the flap A' when the case is closed, and fastened by inserting the flap in the same pocket.

On the inner face of the flap side of the case A an ordinary pocket, H, is provided, in which may be placed deposit-slips and other papers, if desired. This pocket is connected to the case only at the side and the open top, the closed lower edge being free from the case, thus forming another pocket, B, between the case A and the pocket H. A check-book or tablet, C, preferably consisting of checks fastened along the top edge to a muslin back, is held in place by inserting the stiffened extension C' of this muslin back in the pocket B, the checks thus resting upon the exposed face of the pocket H. On the inner face of the other side of the case A is formed a pocket,

F, which may be open top and bottom, its purpose being to hold the record-book G by inserting one of the covers, G', into it in the same manner as the check-book C is held by the pocket B. The other cover, G², will conceal the first page of the record.

In making use of the combined book it is intended that the bank-book E shall be removed from its pocket D when deposits are made. When checks are drawn or deposits made, they are recorded in the book G, and as the checks are removed from the tablet C the muslin back, while securely binding them together, will readily bend and reduce the thickness of the combined book as the checks are reduced in number. When all are used, another similar tablet can be substituted as easily as though it were put in loose. All parts are in the most convenient place with relation to each other, and when the book is closed it is so compact as to occupy a very limited amount of pocket-space.

The form of check-book shown in Fig. 2 may be used instead of that shown in Fig. 1, if desired. The record-book will not be necessary then, as each check in this form is attached to a stub of the same length. I, however, prefer the arrangement first described, as the size of the book may be less and a more complete record can be kept.

I am aware that Patent No. 168,796 shows a bank-book permanently attached to a cover and a check-book inclosed in the same case. I disclaim the construction therein described.

What I desire to secure are the following claims:

1. A bank-book consisting of a case having a flap, A', and an inside pocket, B, on one side, and an outside pocket, D, on the other, in combination with a check-book having a back, C', removably held in said pocket B, and a bank-book placed in said pocket D, the flaps A' being adapted to cover the bank-book and be inserted in the pocket D, substantially as set forth.

2. A bank-book consisting of a case having a flap, A', and an inside pocket, B, on one side, and an outside pocket, D, and the inside pocket F on the other, in combination with a check-book having a back, C', removably

held in said pocket B, a record-book similarly held in the pocket F, and a bank-book placed in said pocket D, the flaps A' being adapted to cover the bank-book and be inserted in the 5 pocket D, substantially as set forth.

3. A bank-book consisting of a case having a flap, A', and inside pockets, B and H, on one side, and an outside pocket, D, and inside pocket F on the other, in combination with 10 a check-book, a bank-book, and a record-book, removably secured in said pockets B, D, and F, all arranged substantially as set forth.

4. A bank-book consisting of a case hav-

ing inside pockets, B and H, on one side, and an inside pocket F on the other, in combina- 15 tion with a check-book and a record-book having backs C' and G', removably held in said pockets B and F, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in 20 presence of two witnesses.

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