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Fig. 1.

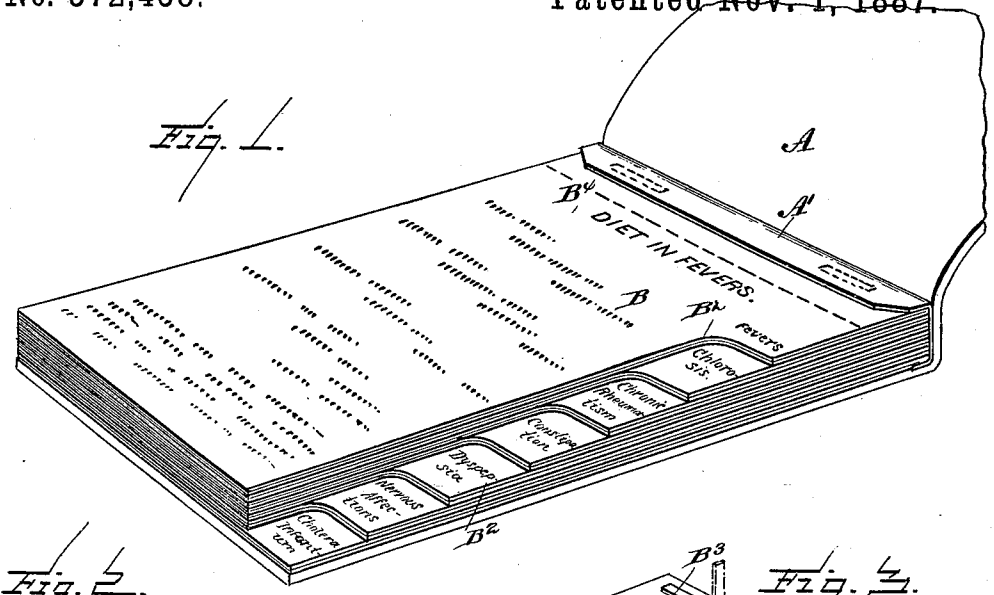


Fig. 2.

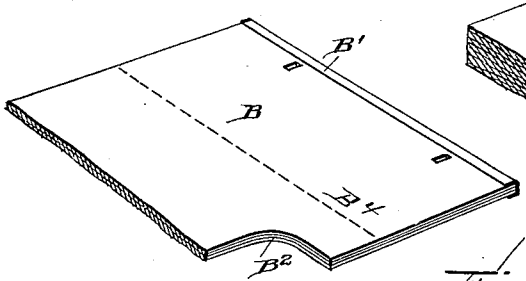


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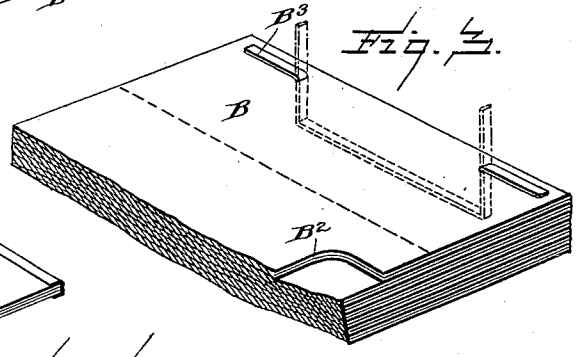
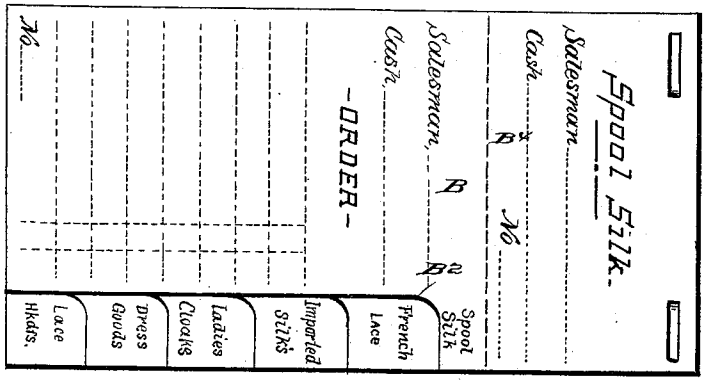


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES CRISTADORO, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county of New York, State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pads, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention consists in certain features of construction, hereinafter specified, and particularly pointed out in the claim.

I have herein shown and described my invention as adapted to be used by physicians; still, as will hereinafter appear, it may be adapted for use in many different ways.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective of a tablet constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a perspective in detail of one of the sections. Fig. 3 is a similar view of several sections connected, and Fig. 4 is a plan view of a tablet adapted for use in a dry-goods house.

A represents a cover, made of any suitable material, to which is secured by any suitable means a tablet-clamp, A'.

B represents a section consisting of a series of leaves connected to each other by any suitable device, in this instance an ordinary binding, B', (see Fig. 2,) and cut away, as at B^2, exposing to view (when several of the sections B are connected together to form a pad) the subject-matter contained in the following series of leaves or sections: When several of the sections are arranged as shown in Figs. 1 and 3, any suitable fastener, as at B^3, may be employed to connect the series before being mounted within the cover, or, if desired, the covering may be omitted and the fastening B^3 alone employed. Any suitable device for securing the sections in the cover may be used; but in this instance, for convenience, I prefer the clamp A'. (Shown in Fig. 1.)

The leaves forming the sections or series of leaves B are perforated, as at B^1, so that they may be separated from the top portions thereof without the removal of the securing device. Taking, for instance, the form shown in Fig. 1, wherein my pad is adapted for the use of physicians, each series or section of leaves pertains to a different disease, and in this instance I have selected several ordinary diseases—such as fevers, chlorosis, rheumatism, constipation, &c.—and at a point above the cut-away portion B^2 the name of the disease to which the particular leaf refers is printed, so that upon lifting the cover the section relating to each disease is plainly visible, and the tablet may be readily opened at that point. Taking, as an example, the first leaf, which contains a list of edibles consistent for the patient having fever, it will be seen that at the top of the detachable portion is printed in plain words "Diet for fevers." Below the title follows a list of edibles of which the patient may partake without danger of bad results.

The physician having a patient suffering with fever can detach one of the leaves and leave it with the nurse or patient by tearing it along the perforated line B^1.

As some diseases are more common than others, it very naturally occurs that some of the sections relating to the common diseases will be exhausted sooner than the remaining. It is therefore necessary that the sections relating to these diseases be replenished. To do this the tablet is slid from without the clamp A', the fastening B^3 bent upwardly, and the stubs left from the exhausted sections removed, and a fresh section replaced in the same order as was its predecessor, it being necessary that they should be replaced in the same order, by reason of the occurrence of the cut-away portions B^2 being at different points or distances from the lower edge in each section, in order that a view may be obtained of all the several sections contained in the pad.

In Fig. 4 I have illustrated another purpose of my invention, and one in which it is adapted for use in connection with a dry-goods house, and in lieu of the diseases mentioned articles of apparel, dry goods, and notions are substituted. The operation of this adaptation is, that the salesman when making a sale records it, with his name and the amount of cash received and to be deducted, upon one of the leaves of the series relating to that class of goods, and detaching the lower portion of the leaf turns it over to the cashier or book-keeper, who also writes his name and amount of cash above the perforation B^1 upon the stub, so that by referring each night or at the end of the week to the leaves the order-clerk can

see the exact amount of each class of goods on hand, and he, knowing the amount previously ordered, will be able to judge whether or not that class of goods needs replenishing.

Various other uses of my invention will readily suggest themselves to commercial and professional men, and I do not claim or limit my invention to any particular printed matter employed therewith.

I am aware that a pad has been heretofore cut in steps at one edge to form an index to its contents; but in such case the entire pad was of but a single "section;" and I am also aware that legal blanks have been bound in pad form made up of a collection of various forms, sets of which were divided by fly-leaves and separately indicated by an attached index-strip projecting from a fly-leaf of said sets; and I do not claim either as of my invention.

In my construction each leaf of each section bears just above the cut-away portion of its edge the title of the section, so that removal of a leaf does not remove the indicating-characters of the section, as would be the case were the pad merely indexed.

Having described my invention and its operation, what I claim is—

A pad made up of separate independent series of sections, each section having each leaf thereof perforated for separate removal and cut away at the edge, and each leaf of each section bearing above its cut-away portion a word or words indicating the subject-matter to which said leaf and section refer, and each of the sections cut to such an extent as to expose the subjects-matter of the succeeding sections of the pad, and all the sections removably bound for separate removal and replacement, substantially as specified.

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

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