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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES E. PRESTON, a citizen of the United States, and residing at Lake City, in the county of Calhoun and State of Iowa, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combined Paper-Weights and Calendar-Supports, of which the following is a specification.

The invention relates to the general class of paper weights and has for an object to equip a paper weight in a novel and practical manner with a band or strip containing reading matter such as a calendar, advertising matter or the like.

It is a particular object of the invention to provide a glass paper weight in which a roll may be mounted having a band or strip of paper or the like wound on the same, and so arranged, that as the band is unwound, reading matter on the band can be read through the glass surface of the paper weight; and further to provide a paper weight of such construction that the band or strip on the roll as it is unwound, may pass out through one side of the paper weight and there be torn off if desired.

It is a still further object of the invention to provide such a construction that the band containing the printed matter can easily be removed and a new band inserted.

These and other features, capabilities and advantages of the invention will become apparent from a detailed description of the accompanying drawings illustrating one specific embodiment of the invention in which—

Figure 1 is a top plan view of the improved paper weight.  Fig. 2 is a bottom plan view of the same.  Fig. 3 is a longitudinal cross-section of the same on the line 3--3 of Fig. 1, and Fig. 4 is a transverse cross-section of the same on the line 4--4 of Fig. 3.

In the construction shown, the body A of the paper weight is shown as made of glass and in one piece.  Obviously this may also be made in two or more pieces secured to one another, without departing from the general scope of the invention.  In the preferred form, this weight is of rectangular conformation with rounded edges.

To equip the weight with a calendar, advertising matter or the like, the novel construction now to be described has been contrived.  In the present embodiment, the bottom of the weight at one end thereof is provided with a transversely extending recess B which in its upward extent, terminates within a short distance from the upper surface of the glass weight, and in its transverse extent, terminates within a short distance from each side of the glass weight.  From the upper end of the recess B, a long slot C extends outward opening at the other end of the body A of the weight, this slot C running parallel to the upper surface of the glass weight.  Each of the sides of the recess B at its upper end, is provided with a short slot D.  In the present instance, a roll E having pins F, F is provided, the pins F, F being adapted to rest in the short slots D, D.  Obviously this roll E may be formed in the glass weight when casting the body of the weight, or a curved slot G may be provided in each end of the recess B as shown in Fig. 3, the pins F, F of the roll E being passed into supporting position through these curved slots.  On the roll E may be wound a flexible band H such as a strip of paper or the like containing the calendar of the year, advertising matter or any other reading matter.  The free end of this band passes out through the slot C.  When a calendar, for instance, is printed on this band, the part of the band containing the expired months may be pulled out of the slot C through the end of the body of the weight and there be torn off, if desired.  When the year has expired and a new calendar is required, the roll E may be taken out of the recess B if the curved slot G is provided, and a new roll substituted or else a new calendar wound around the old roll, and this old roll returned to supporting position.  If the roll is permanently positioned in the body of the weight, the new calendar is wound around the roll E while it is in place in the body of the weight.

While there is herein shown and described but one embodiment of the present invention, it is obvious that various changes and modifications may be made by those skilled in the art without departing from the general scope of the invention.

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

In a device of the class described, a glass body, a recess at the lower side at one end of said body, a slot beginning at the upper end of said recess and extending therefrom parallel to the upper side of the glass body...
and opening out at the other end of said glass body, a supporting slot in each end of said recess, a roll having a pin at each of its ends positioned in said recess, each of 5 said pins being adapted to rest in one of said supporting slots, and a band wound around said roll, the free end of which passes out through said slot so that any written matter contained thereon can be read through the upper side of the glass body, said band being adapted to be pulled out of said slot and there torn off if desired. In witness whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name to this specification in the presence of two witnesses.

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