

(Model.)

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Fig. I.

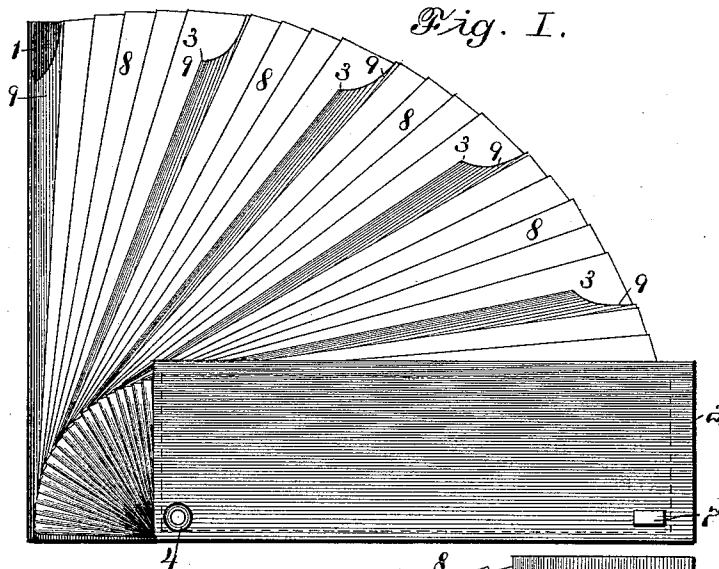


Fig. II.

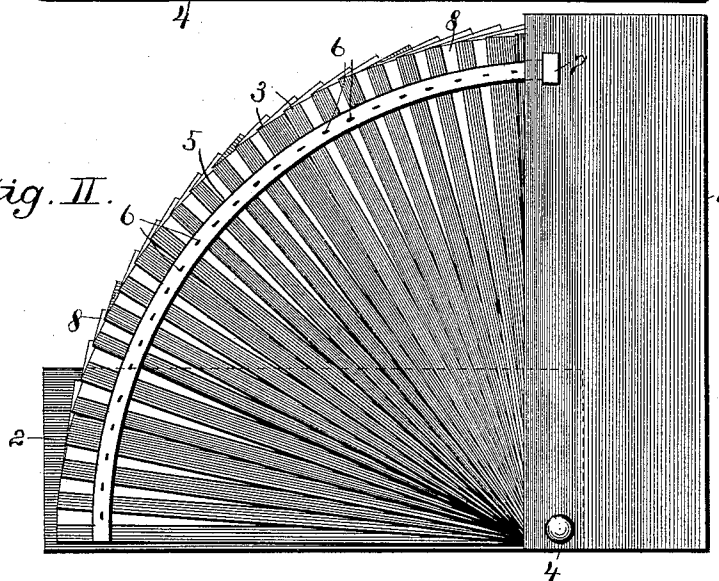
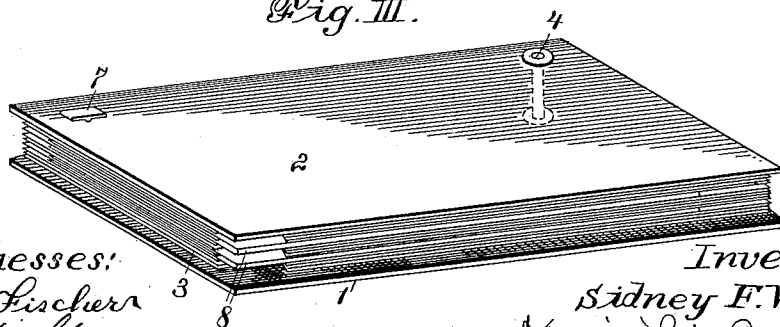


Fig. III.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SIDNEY F. WOODY, of Kansas City, in the county of Jackson and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bill-Holders, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in bill-holders; and it consists in features of novelty hereinafter described, and pointed out in the claims.

Figure I represents a top plan view of my improved bill-holder, the same being opened out. Fig. II represents a bottom view of the same. Fig. III is a front perspective view showing the holder closed up.

Referring to the drawings, 1 2 represent the pivoted covers, between which is a series of bill-holding leaves 3. The leaves and covers are secured to each other and pivoted on a rivet 4, located at one of the inner corners of the covers and leaves. The inner edges of the covers and leaves are connected with each other at the other inner corner by a flexible strip or ribbon 5, located near their outer ends and which may be stitched or otherwise secured to the leaves, as shown at 6, the ends of said strip being secured to the covers 1 2 by staples 7, or by other suitable means, said flexible strip permitting the leaves and covers to be folded up or unfolded, like a folding fan, from the position shown in Figs. I and II to the position shown in Fig. III. The flexible strip is connected to the rear edges of each of the series of leaves, which are separated at front, thus leaving the outer edges free, as shown in Fig. I, on which the bills 8 may be placed.

In Fig. I, I have shown a number of the bill-holding leaves without having bills placed thereon in order to show the construction of the same, said leaves being scalloped out, as shown at 9, in order that as the user takes hold of the end of the bill he will not at the same time seize the leaf on which the bill is placed.

The leaves, if so desired, may be indexed,

so that the bills placed thereon may come in alphabetical order, according to the names of the parties to which the bills are to be presented. The names of the persons to whom the bills are to be presented can be written on the inner folded edges near the outer end of the bills, and by opening the bill-holder into its fan shape all of said bills may be presented to the eye of the collector at once without having to finger them over, as is the case when ordinary bill-holders are used. When such bills as are desired have been withdrawn from the holder, the same may be closed up into convenient pocket form, as shown in Fig. III. In placing the bills on the leaves I preferably fold them lengthwise and allow the two portions of the fold to pass down on either side of the leaves; or, in other words, the bill when folded straddles the leaf.

I have shown and described my device simply as a bill-holder; but the same may be used in filing away papers and for other purposes where it is desired to inspect said papers without the inconvenience of handling them over.

I claim as my invention—

1. A bill-holder consisting of leaves and covers thereto, pivoted together at one of their inner corners, and a strip of flexible material secured to the covers at the other inner corner and to the inner edges of the leaves near their outer ends, the outer edges and ends of the leaves being separated to receive the folded bills, substantially as described and shown.

2. A bill-holder consisting of leaves having scalloped outer edges and ends and the covers thereto, pivoted together at one of their inner corners, and a strip of flexible material secured to the covers at the other inner corner and to the inner edges of the leaves near their outer ends, the outer edges and ends of the leaves being separated to receive the folded bills, substantially as described.

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