

(No Model.)

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CHECK BOOK.

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Fig. 1.

No. 95. Bal: 325 34 Feb. 11 1891 To A... B..... for Bill Paid Feb. 1. 91 <b>B</b>		64 00	
No. 96 Bal: 261 34 189		<b>C</b>	No. _____ 15 _____ 189 15 <b>A</b> Pay to the order of: \$ _____

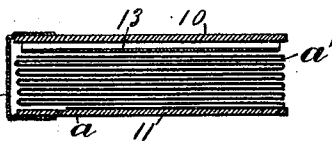
Fig. 2.

No. _____ Bal: _____ 189 <b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	No. _____ 189 <b>A</b> Pay to the order of: \$ _____ 15 _____
No. _____ Bal: _____ 189 <b>B</b>		No. _____ 189 <b>A</b> Pay to the order of: \$ _____ 15 _____
No. _____ Bal: _____		No. _____ 189

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Fig. 3.



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## CHECK-BOOK.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, GEORGE L. WINN, of Jersey City, in the county of Hudson and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Check-Books, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to an improvement in the construction of check-books or books containing blanks having serial numbers, and has for its object to provide a means whereby the blank checks contained in the book may be removed therefrom singly or connected in any desired numbers in sheet form; and a further object of the invention is to provide a means whereby the stubs in the book will be continuously connected and provided with a continuous column for recording all of the amounts for which the checks were drawn, deposits, and balances, thus dispensing with the necessity of carrying over balances from page to page and enabling a person to readily detect and rectify mistakes in totals, as and for the purpose specified.

The invention consists in the novel construction and combination of the several parts, as will be hereinafter fully set forth, and pointed out in the claims.

Figure 1 is a plan view of the book open, one of the checks having been detached. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the book open, disclosing two checks; and Fig. 3 is a transverse section taken through the book when closed.

In the drawings the invention is illustrated as applied to a check-book, and the body of the book consists of a front board 10, a back board 11, and preferably a flexible connecting-strip 12, uniting the two boards. The checks A and their attached stubs B are printed in sheet form, the desired number of checks and stubs to be placed between the covers being printed upon a single sheet of paper or equivalent material. One end of the sheet of paper is attached to one cover—the bottom one 11, for instance, as illustrated at *a*, in Fig. 3—the other end of the strip being left free. It will be observed that two checks about equal in width the combined width of the boards and their connecting-strips which constitute the cover.

Before attaching the sheet of checks to the cover the sheet is folded upon itself, as shown

at *a'* in Fig. 3, in such manner that each fold will include a single check, and a sheet of blotting-paper 13 or other absorbent material is preferably connected by the flexible strip 14 to the inner surface of the front board of the cover near one end of the same, as illustrated in Fig. 1.

As the checks and their stubs are printed upon a continuous sheet of paper, the column C, adapted to contain figures representing the amounts for which the checks are drawn, balances, deposits, &c., is also continuous, as illustrated in the drawings. The checks are separated from each other and from the column C by lines of perforations 15 or the equivalents thereof.

In operation, if the book has not been used, to write the first check, the blotting-paper is preferably thrown beyond the edge of the cover-board to which it is attached and the first check is filled in, blotted, and removed, the amount thereof being recorded, in the column C opposite its stub. At the head of the column the balance is recorded, and the amount for which the check is drawn may be quickly deducted from the balance and the new balance written in the column opposite the stub of the next check, and so on, each check being written and removed as desired, the amounts thereof noted, and the balance struck until, for instance, all have been exhausted. The stubs will be all connected at this time, and the column and stubs will extend, as originally, from top to bottom of the sheet upon which they were printed, and at any time the entire length of the column and the stubs or the entire portion filled in may be rendered visible by simply causing the stubs to unfold.

It is evident that a check-book constructed as above described may be conveniently used, and that the liability of mistakes in footings or in balances is rendered less than in the form of check-book in which the balances must be carried over to another page whenever one or a few checks have been filled in, and that by having all the stubs and the attached columns upon one sheet of paper the entire line of figures is rendered quickly visible when desirable, and a mistake may be readily detected were one to be made. The continuous arrangement of the stubs also renders the book very convenient, as they may be very

conveniently and readily read, and any special item contained upon any of the stubs may be quickly observed and noted.

I desire it to be understood that the sheet  
5 may be folded lengthwise or sidewise, as the character of the book may demand, and that the invention is equally applicable to memorandum and order books or any books made  
10 up of blanks serially numbered or in which stubs are to be retained.

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

1. In a check, memorandum, or order book,  
15 a series of checks all printed consecutively upon the same side of a single sheet, the said sheet being folded regularly, and the checks being located one above the other, substantially as shown and described, whereby a portion  
20 of the number of checks or the entire number may be rendered quickly visible.

2. A check, memorandum, or order book

comprising a cover, a series of checks, stubs, and columns printed upon the same side of a single sheet of paper, one end of the sheet  
25 being attached to the cover and the entire sheet being folded upon itself, bringing one check above the other, and whereby a continuous record may be made in the printed  
30 columns, as and for the purpose specified.

3. In a book, the combination, with the covers thereof, of a sheet of paper one end where-  
of is attached to one cover, the other end being free, and the said sheet being folded upon  
35 itself in such manner as to form a series of connected leaves, each of the leaves containing a check or its equivalent and an entry-column, the entry-column being continuous  
from top to bottom of the sheet, as and for the purpose specified.

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