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Fig. 2.

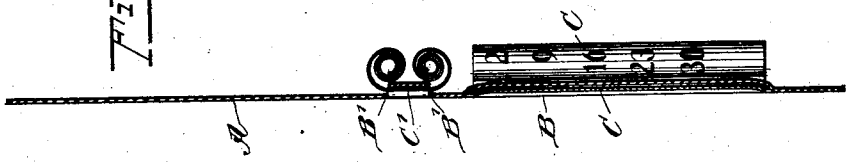
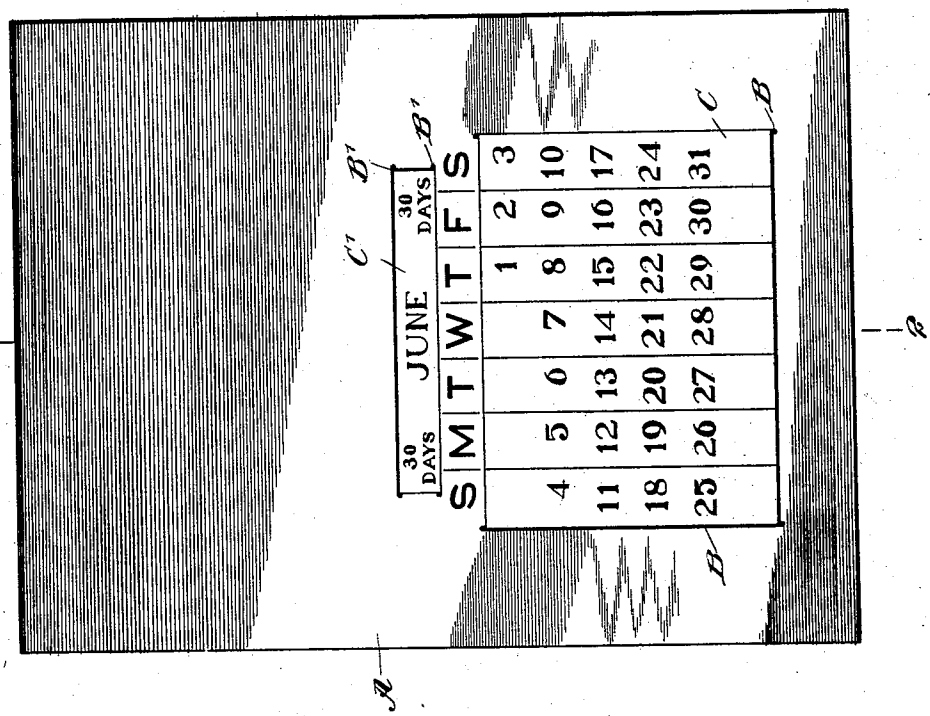


Fig. 1.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MALVIN LICHTER, a subject of the Emperor of Germany, residing in the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Calendar, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The invention relates to calendars, bulletins, door-cards, and the like arranged for displaying nominal and explanatory matter and allowing of changing the same from time to time.

The object of the invention is to provide a new and improved calendar or like displaying device which is simple and durable in construction, cheap to manufacture, and easily adjusted to properly display the desired matter.

The invention consists of novel features and parts and combinations of the same, as will be fully described hereinafter and then pointed out in the claims.

A practical embodiment of my invention is represented in the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both the figures.

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the improvement, and Fig. 2 is a transverse section of the same on the line 2 2 of Fig. 1.

The display device shown in the drawings is in the form of a perpetual calendar, and consists, essentially, of a plate A, having pairs of parallel slots B B and B′ B′ and strips C C′ extended at their ends through said slots, so that a portion of each strip is displayed on the front of the plate between the slots of one pair, as is plainly shown in Fig. 1.

The strips C C′ are of flexible material, such as sheet-celluloid, and are treated to curl or roll up, so that when a strip is unrolled and its ends are passed through a pair of slots said ends immediately curl or roll up on the back of the plate toward each other to draw the front portion of the sheet taut on the front of the plate.

When it is desired to shift the displayed portion, it is only necessary for the operator to take hold and pull on one of the curled ends of the respective sheet to draw the latter in one direction until the desired new matter is displayed at the front of the plate, the other end of the sheet correspondingly uncurling or unwinding on the back of the plate. As soon as the sheet has been adjusted and the operator releases the end he had hold of then this end curls up farther to the amount drawn through the corresponding slot. Thus the curled up ends not only form a means for drawing and holding the displayed portion of the sheet in a taut condition, but also form handles for the operator to conveniently take hold of when adjusting the strip.

Each strip C and C′ is formed on the front face with matter to be displayed—such, for instance, as shown in Fig. 1, in which the strip C contains the days of the month arranged in columns to form a perpetual calendar in connection with the initials of the week-days appearing on the plate A, directly above the strip C, with the initials standing over corresponding columns on the strip C.

The slots B are placed so far apart that all the days of a single month only appear on the front of the plate. The strip C′ contains the names of the months in regular order, and the slots B′ B′ are spaced apart, so that the name of one month appears at a time on the face of the plate A. The pairs of slots B B and B′ B′ are arranged at right angles to each other, so that the strip C is adjustable sidewise on the plate A and the strip C′ is adjustable up and down.

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

1. A display device of the class described, comprising a plate having a pair of parallel slots, and a display-strip for engagement with the slots and extending at its ends through the slots to display a portion of the strip at the front of the plate between the slots, said display-strip being flexible and having its ends free and curled up at the back of the plate adjacent to the slots to hold the strip in position, as set forth.

2. A display device of the class described, comprising a plate having a pair of parallel slots, and a display-strip for engagement with the slots and extending at its end through the slots to display a portion of the strip at the front of the plate between the slots, said display-strip being flexible and having its

ends free and curled up at the back of the plate adjacent to the slots, the curled free ends extending toward each other to exert pressure in opposite directions on the displayed portion, to draw the same taut on the front face of the plate, as set forth.

3. A display device of the class described, comprising a plate having pairs of parallel slots, the pairs standing at angles to each other, and a display-strip for each pair of slots, extending at its ends through the slots to display a portion of the strip at the front of the plate between the slots, each of the display-strips being flexible and having its ends free and curled up at the back of the plate adjacent to the slots, the curled free ends extending toward each other to exert pressure in opposite directions on the displayed portion, to draw the same taut on the face of the plate, as set forth.

4. A display device of the class described, comprising a flat body having a pair of spaced and parallel slots, and a display-strip passed through the slots to display a portion of the strip at the front of the body between the slots, the said strip being of resilient material and held in the position to which it is adjusted by its resiliency, as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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