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Fig. 1.

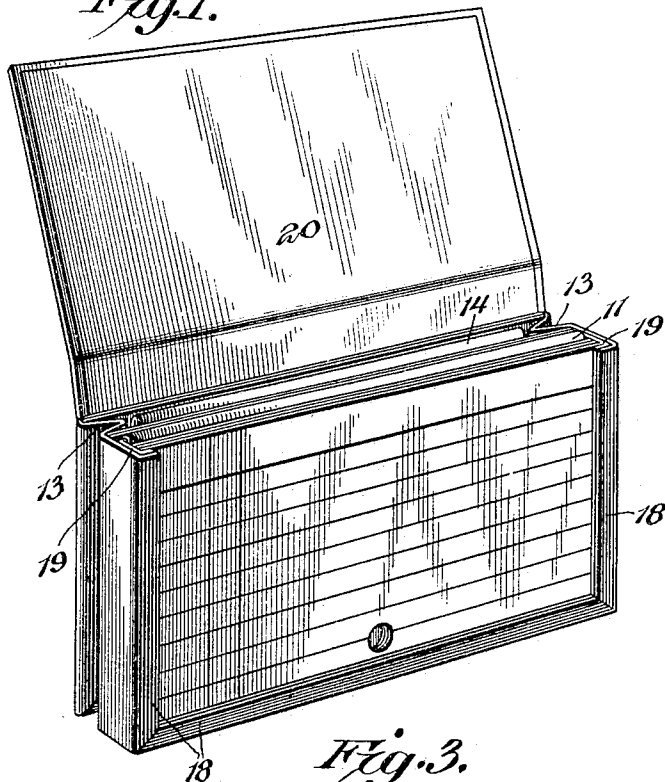


Fig. 2.

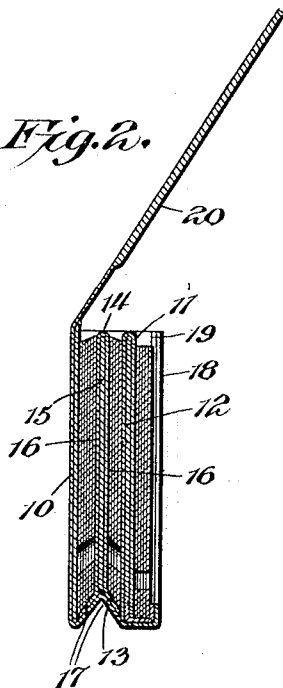


Fig. 3.

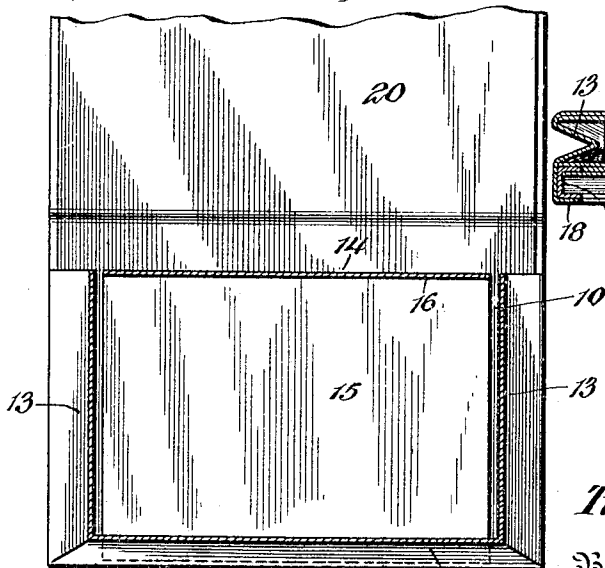
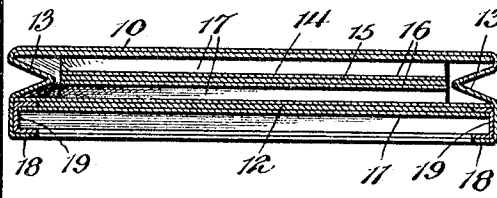


Fig. 4.



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CARD MEMORANDUM-BOOK.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, TRUMAN NOBLE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Ithaca, in the county of Tompkins and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Card Memorandum-Book, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to means for holding cards, and while particularly intended for containing library - cards used in index systems and the like it will be understood that loose sheets of various kinds may be employed in connection therewith.

The primary object of this invention is to provide a receptacle in which a number of cards may be stored and to employ in connection therewith means for securely holding cards in proper condition to be written upon, the receptacle and holder being so related that the cards may be readily and conveniently transferred from one to the other without altering the position of the structure. Moreover, straps, rubber bands, and the like are dispensed with, while the written and blank cards are kept separate and in order. When the device is not in use, the cards can be completely covered, and therefore protected from soiling and injury.

The preferred embodiment of the construction is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, wherein—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the book. Fig. 2 is a vertical transverse view through the same. Fig. 3 is a vertical longitudinal section, and Fig. 4 is a horizontal sectional view.

Similar numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures of the drawings.

In the embodiment shown a pair of outer side walls 10 and 11 are employed, the latter being reinforced by a substantially inflexible plate 12, which stiffens the same. These two walls are connected by flexible portions 13, having bellows folds. As a result an inner pocket is formed having an upper open mouth, said pocket being contractible and expansible because of the flexible folding connection 13. This pocket is preferably subdivided into sep-

arate compartments by means of a partition-flap 14, which flap consists of an inner core-plate 15, covered by sheathing 16, the ends of said sheathing extending below the core-plate forming lips 17, that embrace and are secured to the lower bellows fold 13. This is the only point of attachment of the partition-flap, and the hinge connection thereby formed permits said flap to swing toward either wall.

The outer stiffened wall 11 is provided with flanges 18, attached to its bottom and side edges and overhanging the outer face thereof. These flanges are reinforced by similarly-shaped metal strips 19 and being spaced from the wall form guideways, or, in other words, an open-sided pocket is thus provided on the outer side of the stiffened wall, which pocket has an upper open mouth opening in the same direction as the mouth of the inner pocket. This particular arrangement is important, as is hereinafter explained. The mouths and the open side of the outer box are arranged to be closed by a cover-flap 20, attached to the rear wall 10.

The outer open-sided pocket is arranged to receive one or more cards to be written upon, and said cards are supported by the stiffened wall, so that a firm writing-surface is obtained. The cards, moreover, are securely held against fluttering and displacement by the flanges, and the necessity of rubber bands and the like is thereby obviated. At the same time they may be readily detached and placed within the compartments of the inner pocket. One of these compartments is designed to receive the cards that have been written, while the other may be employed for holding a supply of unwritten cards. The flap 14 being freely movable will permit the enlargement of one compartment and the contraction of the other as cards are placed within one and removed from said other. Moreover, by arranging the open-sided and inner pocket with the mouths uppermost and in the same relation cards can be inserted or withdrawn from the holder or receptacle or inner pocket without the necessity of altering the position of the book. The arrangement is therefore very convenient. When not in use, the cover-flap

can be folded over the mouths and the open side of the outer pocket or holder, thus securing the cards in place and protecting them from dirt or injury. While the invention is applicable for various purposes, as will be readily apparent, it is perhaps particularly advantageous for outdoor work. For instance, in surveying or like vocations, where loose sheets cannot ordinarily be employed, this device can be used without trouble or annoyance. The book may be made of any desired size for holding standard cards or those of other dimensions.

From the foregoing it is thought that the construction, operation, and many advantages of the herein-described invention will be apparent to those skilled in the art without further description, and it will be understood that various changes in the size, shape, proportion, and minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention.

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

1. In a memorandum-book for holding loose sheets, the combination with walls, one of which is reinforced and stiffened thereby, of flexible connections between the walls forming a pocket therebetween, and stiffened flanges carried by the stiffened wall and over-

hanging the outer face thereof, said flanges forming with the stiffened wall an open-sided pocket constructed to receive a plurality of loose cards.

2. In a memorandum-book for holding loose sheets, the combination with walls, one of which is reinforced and thereby stiffened, of bellows folds connecting the bottom and side edges of the walls, forming a pocket, metallic reinforcing-flanges attached to the bottom and side edges of the stiffened wall and overhanging the outer face thereof, said flanges forming with the stiffened wall an open-sided pocket, and a cover attached to the wall opposite the stiffened wall and foldable over the open side of the pocket.

3. In an article of the class described, a plurality of walls forming pockets, one of said walls being stiff to constitute a writing-support, and metal reinforcing-flanges carried by certain edges of said stiff wall and overhanging the outer face thereof forming an outer open-sided pocket for detachably holding sheets.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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