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Fig. 1.

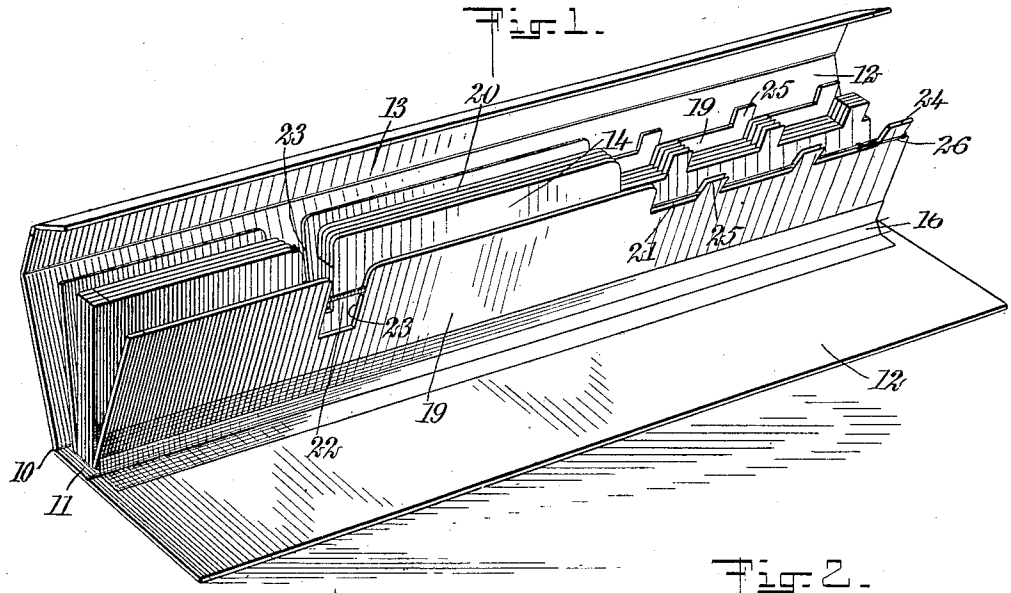


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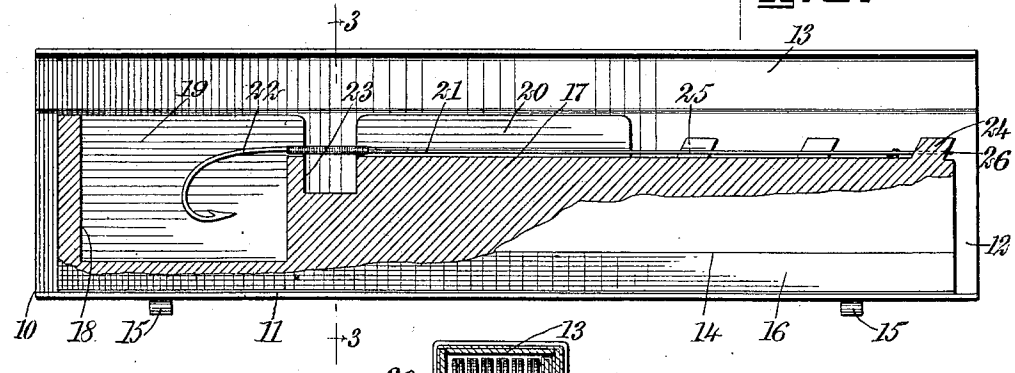
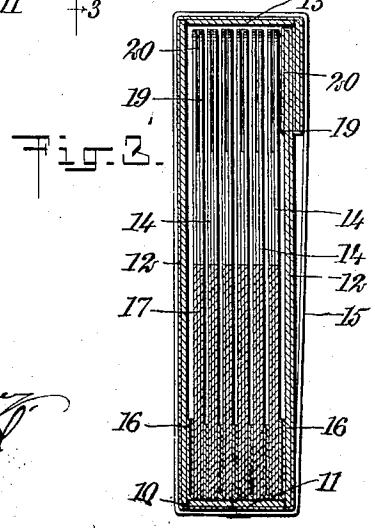


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PIERRE V. ERICSON, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, (Hollis, borough of Queens,) in the county of Queens and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Hook-Book, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to hook books, and more particularly to devices of this kind used to carry snell fish-hooks.

An object of the invention is to provide a simple, strong and inexpensive hook book for carrying and keeping snell fish-hooks and the like, which is of convenient form, and which is adapted to receive snell hooks of varying sizes.

A further object of the invention is to provide a device of the class described, in which snell hooks can be carried with the hooks sheathed or covered to prevent their accidental engagement with the garments or other objects, and with the snell stretched or extended to prevent the same from snarling, or from receiving other injury.

A still further object of the invention is to provide a hook book having a suitable covering envelop and provided with a plurality of leaves each of which is formed to receive snell hooks of different sizes, and for this purpose has a pocket to receive the hook, a recess in which the snell is stretched or extended, a tongue for engaging the snell loop to hold the snell extended, and a notch which permits the hook or snell to be grasped by the fingers, when it is desired to remove it from the leaf.

The invention consists in the construction and combination of parts to be more fully described hereinafter and particularly set forth in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views, and in which

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the hook book open; Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section of the device, showing one of the leaves having a hook carried thereby; and Fig. 3 is an enlarged transverse section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

Before proceeding to a more detailed explanation of my invention, it should be understood that it is intended primarily, for the keeping and carrying of snell fish-hooks; that is, fish-hooks having permanently attached thereto, snells of cat-gut or other material and provided with loops by means of which they can be secured to the fish line. It is, of course, of importance to insure that the snells are not snarled or tangled, as they are thereby liable to be injured. Furthermore, if the hooks are not sheathed or covered in some suitable manner, it is often a source of great inconvenience, as they are liable to be caught in the garments of the fisherman or in other objects, whereby great annoyance and loss of time is occasioned.

My invention provides means for conveniently keeping and carrying snell hooks. It can of course, be used for other objects, such as plain fish-hooks, flies, and various kinds of artificial bait which are combined with barbed hooks.

The book can be easily slipped into the pocket or can be carried in any other convenient manner.

Referring more particularly to the drawings, 10 represents the envelop of the book, which may be fashioned from any suitable material, such as leather or fabric-covered card-board, sheet metal or the like, and is suitably creased or folded for the purpose. The envelop comprises a back 11, having attached thereto at the opposite longitudinal edges, the sides or covers 12. One of the latter has at the longitudinal edge remote from the back, a creased closing flap 13, which, when the envelop is folded extends over the opposite cover 12 and covers the leaves 14. Rubber bands 15, secured to the back are arranged to encircle the envelop and hold the same closed. It will be understood that any other suitable catch or closing means can be employed for this purpose. I provide a plurality of leaves 14, the number depending upon the size of the book, and individual preference or special conditions. The leaves are removably secured at the back 11 by means of hinge strips 16, or in any other convenient manner. The hinge strips may be glued, sewed or otherwise secured to the envelop and to the leaves.

Each of the leaves comprises a body 17 of card-board, wood or other suitable material, and having at one end a cutaway portion 18 which forms a pocket. The body 17 is arranged between the leaf sides 19, which may be of paper, fabric, celluloid, or other suitable material, and which, further, may be glued, sewed, riveted or otherwise secured in position. The sides 19 extend beyond the

body 17 near the pocket 18, and thus form an elongated recess 20 adapted to receive the snell 21. The pocket 18, it will be understood, serves to receive the hook 22. Between the recess 20 and the pocket 18, the sides and the body have a notch 23 across which the hook or the snell extends, and which thus permits the same to be grasped, by the fingers, in removing the snell hook. At the end remote from the pocket 18, the body and the sides of the leaf are formed into a tongue 24 which is inclined away from the pocket 18 and serves to engage the loop 26 of the snell, to hold the latter extended. Between the recess 20 and the tongue 24, the sides 19 are formed into similar bifurcated tongues 25 between which the snell 21 can extend, and which are also adapted to receive the loops of shorter snells to hold the latter extended.

It will be understood that by providing a plurality of tongues, each of the leaves can be used for snell hooks of different sizes, and for hooks having snells of varying lengths. Each leaf can hold a number of hooks, and also serve to carry flies or other objects. It should be understood that the body of the leaf is of such thickness that the sides lie close together, and thus the hook and the snell are resiliently held between the sides as well as by the engagement of the tongue with the loop.

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

1. In a device of the class described, a leaf having means for holding a snell hook with the entire hook sheathed and with the snell extended.

2. In a device of the class described, a leaf having means for holding a snell extended, and means for holding a hook entirely sheathed.

3. In a device of the class described, a leaf having a pocket adapted to receive an entire hook, and a tongue remote from said pocket for engaging a snell loop, whereby the snell between the hook and the loop is stretched or extended.

4. In a device of the class described, a leaf having a pocket and a recess connected therewith, said leaf further having a tongue at the side of said recess remote from said pocket, said pocket being adapted to receive the hook of a snell hook, said recess being adapted to receive the snell, said tongue being adapted to engage the snell loop to hold the snell extended or stretched between said tongue and said pocket.

5. In a device of the class described, a leaf having means for holding a snell hook sheathed or covered, with the snell extended or stretched, said leaf having a notch adapted to permit the snell hook to be grasped by the fingers in removing it.

6. In a device of the class described, a leaf having sides adapted to receive a hook therebetween and to hold the same, and having means for holding a snell extended.

7. In a device of the class described, a leaf having a pocket adapted to receive a hook, and a plurality of tongues arranged at varying distances from said pocket, said tongues intermediate said pocket and said tongue furthest remote from said pocket, being recessed to permit a snell to extend longitudinally therethrough, said tongues being substantially in alinement.

8. In a device of the class described, a plurality of hinged leaves each having a pocket adapted to receive an entire hook, and a plurality of tongues remote from said pocket and each formed to engage a snell loop.

9. In a device of the class described, an envelop, and a plurality of leaves having a hinged connection with said envelop, each of said leaves comprising a body and sides secured to said body, said body and said sides forming a pocket adapted to receive a hook and a plurality of tongues remote from said pocket, and each adapted to engage a snell loop.

10. In a device of the class described, an envelop, a plurality of leaves having a hinged connection with said envelop, and means for holding said envelop folded about said leaves, each of said leaves comprising a body and sides secured to said body, said body and said sides being fashioned to form a pocket adapted to receive a hook, a recess adapted to receive a snell, a plurality of tongues, each adapted to engage a snell loop, and a notch to permit the grasping of the hook or the snell by the fingers, said pocket, said recess and said tongues, being substantially in alinement.

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

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