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Fig. 1.

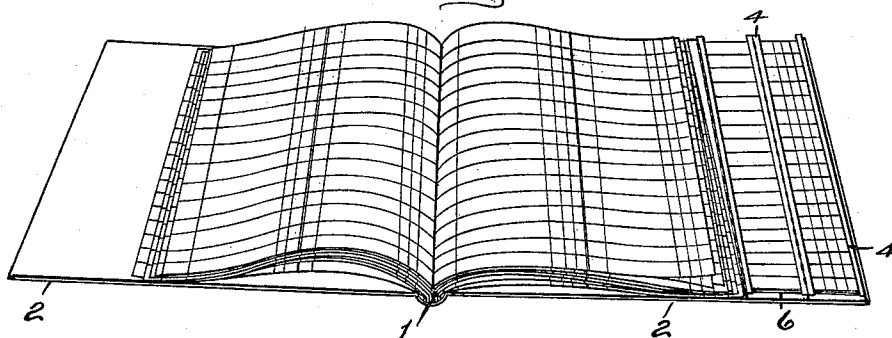


Fig. 2.

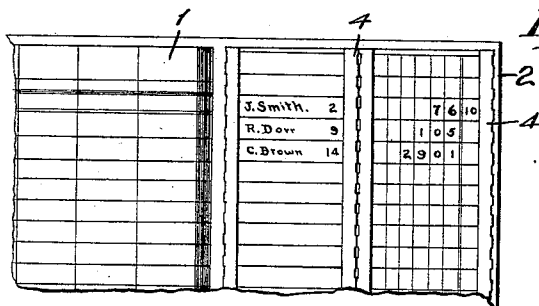


Fig. 3.

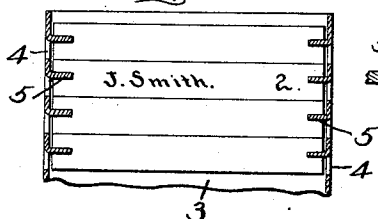
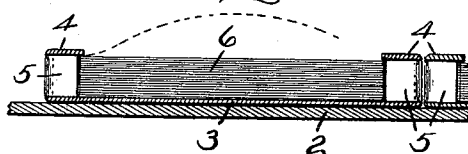


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY J. MOORE, of Rochester, in the county of Monroe and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Account-Books; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and to the reference-numerals marked thereon.

My present invention has for its object to provide an improved index attachment for books, particularly those containing running or open accounts, such as bank-ledgers, whereby the bookkeeper can ascertain at a glance the state of the account or the balance remaining or due; and it consists in the improvements hereinafter described, the novel features being pointed out in the claims at the end of this specification.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a book provided with my improvements; Fig. 2, an enlarged plan view of the index and holder; Fig. 3, a horizontal sectional view through one of the index-holders; Fig. 4, a vertical sectional view on the line *x x* of Fig. 2.

Similar reference-numerals in the several figures indicate similar parts.

In carrying out my invention I provide the book 1 with covers 2, preferably longer than the leaves, and upon the right-hand edge of the covers with a double row of label-holders, each composed of a base-plate 3, of metal, having the overlapping flanges 4, and beneath said flanges projecting ears or lugs 5, struck out of the portion of the metal between the flange and base and extending inwardly toward the center. The corresponding lugs on opposite sides of the holders are alined and are adapted to engage slots formed in the ends of a pile or pad of small superposed labels or slips 6, the ends of said slips being confined beneath the overlapping flanges 4, though the individual slips or the pile may be inserted or removed by bending it, as shown in Fig. 4.

The top slips of the row next to the edge of the ledger-page are adapted to contain the names of the persons having accounts in the book, together with the page on which the

account is contained, and the corresponding slips in the next row are adapted to contain the amounts of the daily balance, overdraft, or other items relating to the account of the person or firm to which it is appropriated, the two slips being so arranged that the bookkeeper may at a glance determine the state of the account and refer to the page containing it for the details or items, if desired.

The holders for the labels may be cheaply formed of sheet metal, and though I prefer that the ends of the slips be slotted for the reception of the lugs it will be understood that their ends could be held between adjacent lugs, if desired, but this arrangement would leave a short space between adjacent slips, which is not desirable, unless the ends of the slips were narrowed slightly. By the employment of small pads or piles of slips the top ones may be removed, when desired, to note a change and the entries made on the ones beneath while *in situ*.

Where the length of the book is not sufficient to accommodate the number of slips required, pages or boards corresponding to the covers may be inserted between pages and the slips or holders applicable to the account on the preceding pages placed thereon.

While the slip-holders are admirably adapted for application to book-covers, as shown, it will be understood that they could be employed for other purposes.

I claim as my invention—

1. In an account-book, the combination with a support or cover projecting at the side of the pages, of two parallel slip-holders mounted on said support, each composed of the base-plates having integral continuous overlapping flanges at the sides, and a series of inwardly-extending projections beneath the flanges, and paper slips removably held in the holders beneath the flanges and having their ends engaged and spaced by the projections, substantially as described.

2. A holder for paper slips adapted for application to an account-book embodying the sheet-metal base-plate having the overlapping flanges at the sides and the integral inwardly-extending projections beneath the flanges for spacing paper slips inserted beneath the latter, substantially as described.

3. The combination with the slip-holder embodying the sheet-metal base-plate having the overlapping flanges at the sides and the integral inwardly-extending projections beneath the flanges, of the paper slips adapted for insertion in the holder with their ends beneath the flanges, having the slotted ends engaged by the projections, whereby the adjacent slips may abut and form a practically continuous surface from one end of the holder to the other. 10

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