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MANIFOLDING CHECK BOOK.
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NO MODEL.

Fig. 1

Fig. 2

Fig. 3

Fig. 4

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES H. VESEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, county of Cook, State of Illinois, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Manifolding Check-Books; and I declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates in general to manifolding writing-tablets, and more particularly to check-books such as are used in stores for simultaneously making a plurality of records of the sales made by a clerk.

It is customary in many stores to record certain sales in triplicate—one record upon a check for the store-office, a second record upon a leaf retained in the book of the clerk making the sale, and a third record upon a tag to be attached to the articles sold when they are to be delivered to the address of the purchaser.

Prior to my invention, so far as I am aware, it has been necessary to separately make each one of the three records required for certain sales—such, for instance, as those made C. O. D., where one copy is for the store-office, a second for the clerk, and a third to be attached to the articles purchased.

The object of my invention is to provide a check-book in which an original record may be made upon a check or slip of paper and simultaneously copied both upon a leaf fixed in the book and upon a detachable tag adapted to be attached to the article to which the record relates, thereby effecting a saving in the time and labor of the clerk.

A further object of my invention is to provide a manifolding check-book which will be simple in construction, inexpensive in operation, and convenient in use.

My invention, generally described, consists in a check-book the leaves in which are arranged in a series of three, the first leaf in each series being detachably secured in the book, the second being of transparent material and firmly secured in the book, and the third being a tag detachably secured in the book and so constructed as to facilitate its attachment to any desired article, and a sheet of double or full carbon attached to be inserted between the second and third leaves to transfer to such leaves the matter written upon the first leaf.

My invention will be more fully described hereinafter with reference to the accompanying drawings, in which the same is illustrated as embodied in a convenient and practical form, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view of the check-book with the cover and carbon unfolded and extended to the left; Fig. 2, a view similar to Fig. 1, showing the first leaf turned upwardly; Fig. 3, a view similar to Figs. 1 and 2, showing the first and second leaves turned upwardly and illustrating the tag in plan; and Fig. 4, an enlarged longitudinal central section through so much of a book as is necessary to illustrate my invention.

Similar reference characters are used to designate similar parts in the several figures of the drawings.

Reference-letter B indicates the first sheet of a series of three, upon which is directly written any desired matter, which in the embodiment of my invention illustrated is the date, name, and address of the purchaser of merchandise or other articles, as well as the number of the clerk making the sale, the store or department, and the inspector. Suitably-designated blank spaces may be arranged as indicated in Fig. 1, in which the matter above described is written. A ruled space is also provided, upon which is written a description of the goods sold and the price thereof. A perforated line is preferably formed at the top of the sheet, so that it may be readily detachable from the book or tablet.

Immediately beneath the sheet B is located a blank sheet C, which is transparent. The sheet C is firmly secured to the binding of the book or tablet, so that it may not be accidentally detached therefrom.

D indicates the third sheet, which is also detachably secured to the book or tablet by any suitable means—as, for instance, a per-
forated line \( d \). The sheet \( D \) is provided with spaces arranged and designated the same as the first sheet \( B \). The sheet \( D \) is preferably made of heavy paper suitable for being se-
cured to the merchandise or any desired article in any convenient manner—such, for in-
stance, as by means of a perforation \( d' \), preferably surrounded by a reinforcement \( D' \) to
prevent the string by means of which the sheet is attached to the article from accident-
ally tearing through the opening to the edge of the sheet.

Any desired number of series of three sheets, such as described, are bound together
and are preferably surrounded by a cover \( A \), extending beneath the third sheet of the bot-
tom series and projecting to one side a sufficient distance to be folded around the entire series.

\( a \) in Fig. 1 indicates a portion of the cover which is adapted to extend along the edges of the series, at one side thereof, \( a' \) indicating the line upon which the remaining portion of the cover bends in order that it may lie above
the first sheet in the top series.

\( A' \) indicates the portion of the cover which extends around the top edges of the series of leaves, while \( a' \) designates the portion which folds over the upper end of the first sheet of
the top series and serves as a binding to se-
curely unite the leaves in the several series together in their proper sequence.

The sheet of carbon \( E \) may be conveniently secured to the cover beneath the bottom sheet
of the last series, so that it may be folded around one side of the tablet and placed above the third sheet and beneath the second sheet.
In order that the sheet of carbon may lie smoothly between the second and third sheets
of each series, spacing-strips \( e \) are preferably bound between the upper ends of the second
and third sheets in the several series.

The manner of using my invention is as fol-
loowing: The carbon-sheet \( E \) is inserted be-
tween the sheets \( C \) and \( D \) of the top series
in the book and the desired matter then written on the first sheet \( B \) in the series. The pressure incidental to writing on the first sheet re-
produces upon the sheets \( C \) and \( D \) the written
mater by transferring carbon from the op-
posite sides of the full or double sheet there-
of. The second sheet \( C \) being transparent,
the writing on the under side thereof is read-
ibly visible therethrough. After the desired
matter has been written on the first sheet
\( B \) it is detached by tearing along the line of perforations \( b \) and then constitutes a record-
check to be sent to the office of the store. The second sheet \( C \) remains in the book or tablet
as a record of the sale made by the particular clerk. The third sheet \( D \) is then detached by
tearing along the line of perforations \( d \) and may then be secured to the article sold by any
suitable means—such, for instance, as a string
passing through the hole \( d' \)—and which is to be delivered to the address of the purchaser.
When another sale is made, the carbon-sheet
\( E \) is inserted between the second and third
sheets in the next series and the record of the purchase inscribed upon the first sheet and
transferred to the second and third sheets in the manner above described. Any number of
series may be bound together in the tablet or book.

From the foregoing description it will be ob-
erved that I have invented an improved manifolding check-book in which three copies of
inscribed matter are simultaneously made—one for the store-records, another to be ret-
ained by the clerk making the sale, and the third a detachable tag adapted to be attached
to the goods purchased.

While I have described more or less pre-
cisely the details of construction, I do not
wish to be understood as limiting myself there-
to, as I contemplate changes in form, the pro-
portion of parts, and the substitution of equiv-
alents as circumstances may suggest or re-
ducer expedient without departing from the
spirit of my invention.

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

1. A manifolding check-book comprising a
plurality of series of leaves each series con-
sisting in a detachable check upon which the
record of the sale is directly written, a trans-
parent sheet forming a permanent part of the
book and a detachable tag so constructed as
to facilitate securing the same to the purchased
article, and a transfer-sheet adapted to be suc-
cessively inserted between the transparent
sheet and the tag in each series whereby mat-
ter written upon the detachable check is trans-
ferred to the upper surface of the tag and to
the under surface of the transparent sheet.

2. A manifolding check-book comprising a
plurality of series of leaves each series con-
sisting in a detachable check upon which the
record of the sale is directly written, a trans-
parent sheet forming a permanent part of the
book and a detachable tag provided with a
hole having reinforced walls for securing the
tag to the purchased article, and a transfer-
sheet adapted to be successively inserted be-
tween the transparent sheet and the tag in each
series whereby matter written upon the de-
tachable check is transferred to the upper sur-
face of the tag and to the under surface of
the transparent sheet.

3. A manifolding check-book comprising a
cover, a plurality of series of leaves bound to
the cover, each series consisting in a detach-
able check upon which the record of the sale
is directly written, a transparent sheet form-
ing a permanent part of the book and a de-
tachable tag so constructed as to facilitate
securing the same to the purchased article, a
double transfer-sheet fastened at one end to said cover and adapted to be successively inserted between the transparent sheet and tag in each series, and spacing-strips interposed between the transparent sheets and tags whereby spaces are formed between each series to receive the transfer-sheet.

In testimony whereof I sign this specification in the presence of two witnesses.

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