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Impt in Combined Card Ruck Advertising Card Calendar and Reference Tables.

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IMPROVEMENT IN CARD-RACKS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, L. Corydon Prindle, of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain Improvements in Combined Card-Rack, Advertising-Card, Calender, and Reference-Tables; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing which, together with the letters and figures marked thereon, form part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a front view of my invention, and Fig. 2 a central vertical section of the same.

Like letters of reference made use of in the

several figures indicate like parts.

To enable those skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe the same with particularity, making reference in so

doing to the aforesaid drawing.

A is a card-board, properly bound and mounted, and fitted to be hung or tacked up in a convenient place where it would be desirable to have a card-rack. BB, &c., are spring hooks or card-retainers for holding cards, and are arranged, in the present case, in a single vertical line down the center of the card. There may be, however, more lines or a different arrangement than that of vertical lines. These hooks or springs consist of a piece of narrow metal plate, bent in the shape shown in Fig. 2, and having a hole pierced through the shank, by means of which they are secured to the card-board, each one separately, with eyelets. At the top of the cardboard is a monthly calender, C, constructed after the following fashion: A table, d, of the days of the month in numerals is placed in columns. Below this is a curved slot or aperture, c, extending through the card-board, while at the back of said card-board is a quadrant, f, pivoted by an eyelet to said card-board, and upon which

is printed in succession the initial letters of the days of the week, so placed as to be visible through said slot. To change the calender at the end of the month, the quadrant is turned upon its pivot until the calender is properly set for the month. At each side of the line of cardretainers are the blank spaces G G, one of which is headed postage-rates, and the other stampduties. These useful tables may be printed thereon, and these spaces are left blank for that purpose. Outside of these spaces, and along the edges of the card-board, are the columns of permanent business advertising-cards H H, which are printed upon the card-board in a manner so that they may be readily referred to. I may also employ the space around the calender at the top of the card-board for advertising purposes where the display of large letters is desired.

By making the surface upon which is placed the card-retaining springs of paper or other like material, which is susceptible of being printed upon, I am enabled to combine with the card-rack a variety of useful contrivances, as above set

forth.

It will be seen that the spring card-retainers, by reason of their peculiar construction and independent attachment, will serve to hold the cards equally well when supported from a flexible as from a rigid surface.

Having thus fully described the construction and operation of my invention, what I claim, and

desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The springs B, constructed, arranged, and applied to the card-board A, or its equivalent, substantially as herein shown and described.

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