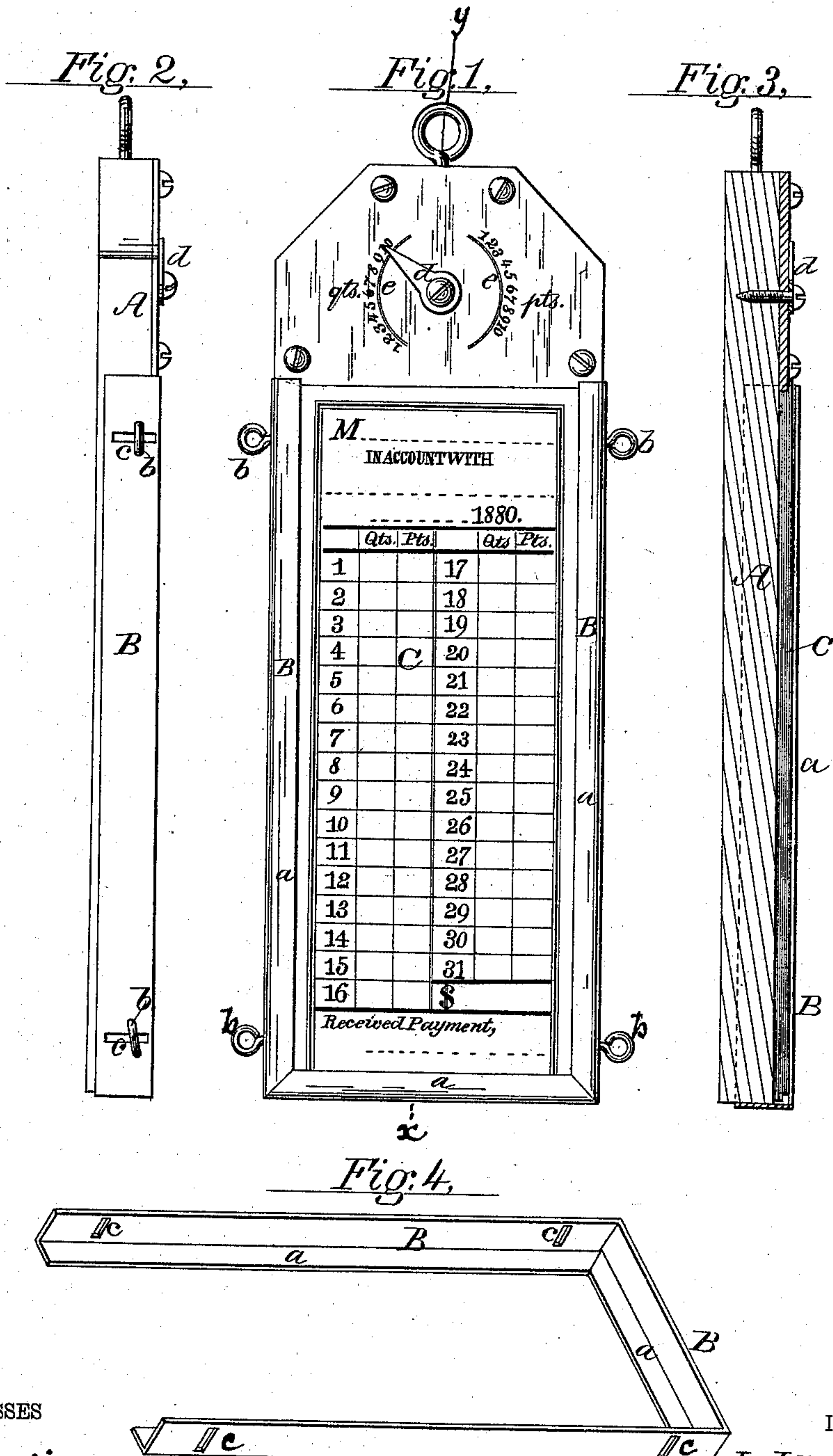


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## PAPER-HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, LEONARD J. LABOUNTY, of Lowell, Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Paper-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

The device in which my invention is comprised is adapted to be used as a paper-holder generally—as, for instance, to hold letter-heads, bill-heads, and statements—and also as a substitute for paper blocks or tablets. I have designed it, however, with special reference to its use as a milk-calendar, and it is in this connection that I shall here describe it.

The paper-holder consists of a flat body-plate, combined with a skeleton-frame which fits over its sides and is adjustably united with it by means of a slot and set-screw connection. The said frame, at its front, is provided on three sides with a flange which overhangs or overlaps the front of the body-plate, a pocket being thus formed between the frame and body-plate to receive the paper slips. Upon the body-plate I also mount an index-hand and dial, for the purpose of indicating the quantity of milk desired by the consumer, and I print the paper slips contained in the holder so that they shall constitute a calendar as well as a register of the milk supplied by the milkman; and I further provide each slip with a blank receipt, for the purpose hereinafter stated.

The nature of my invention and the manner in which the same is or may be carried into effect will be understood by reference to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of a holder made in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal central section of the same on line *x y*, Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a view of the flanged skeleton-frame detached.

The plate which constitutes the body of the holder is marked A, and is made of wood or other suitable material. With it is combined a skeleton-frame, B, made, preferably, of metal, which fits around the sides and bottom of the plate A, and is provided with a front flange, *a*, which overhangs the face of the plate A.

The frame is held to the body-plate by set-

screws *b*, which screw into the body-plate through slots *c* in the frame B. I thus connect the frame and body in an adjustable manner, so that the flange *a* can be set nearer to or farther from the face of the body-plate, as desired.

The slips of paper to be held are placed in the pocket formed by the skeleton-frame and the body-plate, and are clamped in place by the frame, which is pressed toward the body-plate as far as the intervening paper slips will permit, and is there held by tightening the set-screws.

In order to move any one of the paper slips or sheets, all that is needed is to loosen the set-screws, thus releasing the hold of the flange *a* on the paper.

The device shown in the drawings is intended, primarily, as a milk-calendar. To this end I arrange on the body-plate, above the holder proper, an index-finger, *d*, which is used, in connection with a dial, *e*, to indicate the quantity of milk desired by the consumer. The paper slips which I use in this connection are shown plainly in Fig. 1. Each slip C is printed with a column of figures, indicating the days of the month, arranged opposite blank spaces to be filled in with the quantity of milk supplied each day to the consumer by the milkman. At the bottom of the slip is a blank receipt, to be signed by the milkman at the end of each month.

Each slip thus constitutes a calendar, a register of the quantity of milk supplied monthly, and, when signed by the milkman, a receipted bill.

As each slip, in turn, is filled up it is removed, thus exposing the next slip or calendar ready for another month, and so on to the end of the year.

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

1. The paper-holder, consisting of the body-plate in combination with the frame provided with overlapping front flange, forming a pocket for reception of removable slips, and adjustably connected with the body-plate, substantially as and for the purposes hereinbefore set forth.

2. The body-plate, in combination with the



frame fitting the sides and bottom of the plate and provided with a front flange, *a*, and the set or clamping screws entering the body-plate through slots in the sides of the frame, substantially as and for the purposes hereinbefore set forth.

3. The body-plate provided with an index and dial, as described, and carrying the paper-holding frame B, adjustably connected therewith, substantially as and for the purposes hereinbefore set forth.

4. The combined calendar, paper-holder, and indicator, consisting of the body-plate A, with index and dial, the adjustable paper-holding frame B, and the removable slips C, as herein shown and described. 15

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 18th day of December, 1879.

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