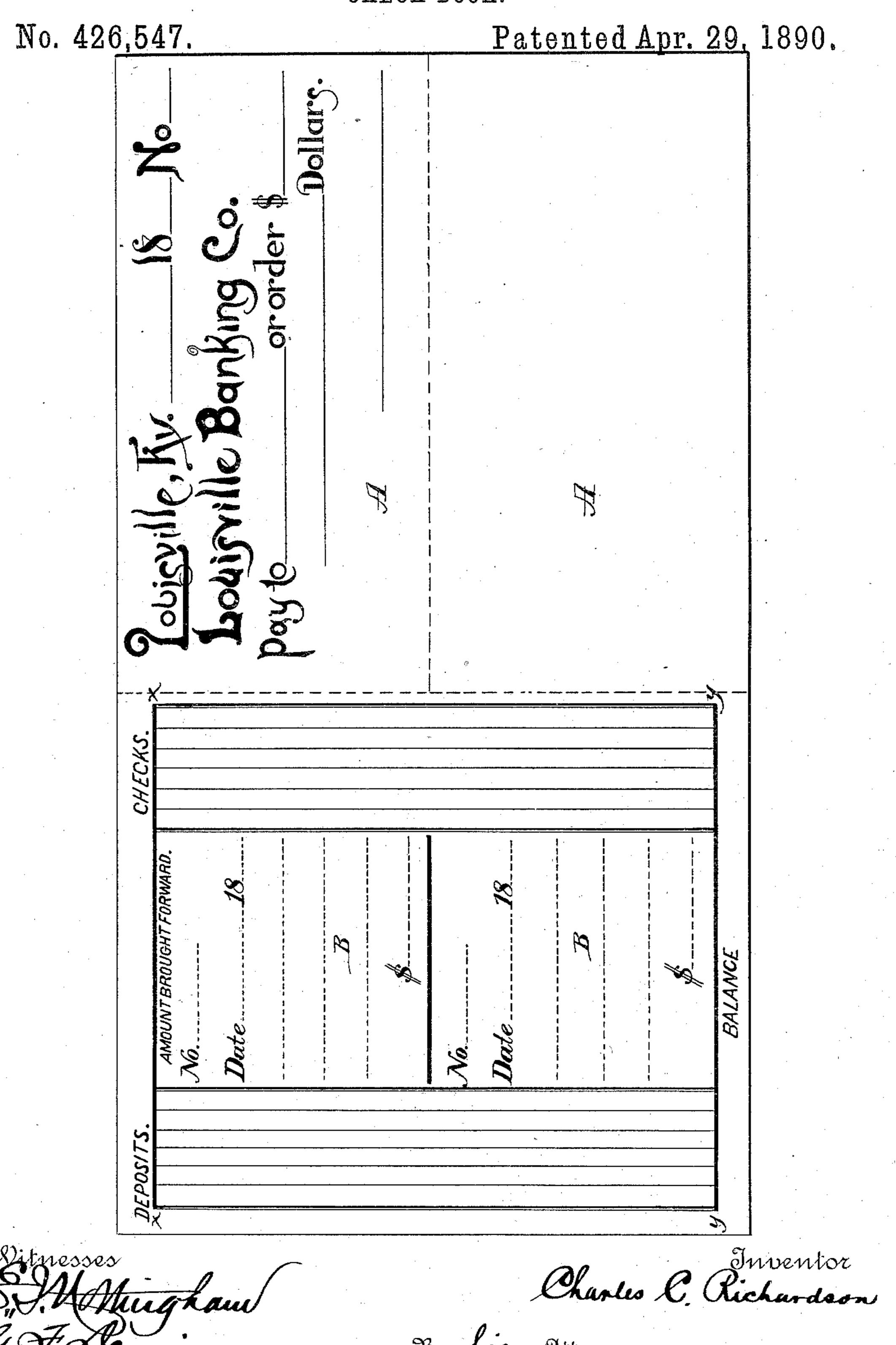
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## CHECK-BOOK.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES CLEVES RICH-ARDSON, of Louisville, in the county of Jefferson and State of Kentucky, have invented tertain new and useful Improvements in Check-Books; and I do hereby 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 appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to an improvement in

check-books.

Hitherto checks have been made with the ruled lines for deposits on the back of the stub; but this arrangement necessitated turning the stub part over every time one wished to ascertain what had been deposited, and then subtracting what had been drawn out in order to determine the balance in the bank.

The object of my invention is to get everything on one page, as shown in the drawing, and bring forward a net balance at the foot of

each page.

With this end in view my invention consists in certain novel features of construction and combinations of parts, as will be hereinafter described, and pointed out in the claims.

The accompanying drawing is a fac-simile of a page from my improved check-book.

A A represent the checks, and B B the stubs. These are separated, in the usual manner, by perforations, which admit of their being torn off, as desired. The check portion forms no part of my present invention; but 35 attention is called especially to the stubs or portion of the leaf which is left in the book after the checks are removed. This portion is ruled, as illustrated, at each side with several parallel vertical lines. The lines at the 40 left are for the deposits, as indicated in large letters, "Deposit," above line x x at the top, and the lines at the right are headed in a similar way by the word "Checks," so that instead of having the deposits on one side of 45 the stubs and the amount of the checks on I

the other both are placed, as above described, on the same side to facilitate in the reckoning of the balance. A line y y is drawn at the bottom, and opposite the word "Balance" the balance is placed. Between the columns of 50 lines for deposits and check the blanks are left for the number, date, and amount of check, as is customary, and above this portion of the stubs the words "Amount brought forward" are placed, to indicate the points in 55 the deposit and check columns where the amount brought forward from the preceding leaf is placed.

It is evident that slight changes might be resorted to in the form and arrangement of 60 the several parts described without departing from the spirit and scope of my invention, and hence I do not wish to limit myself to the particular construction herein set forth; but,

Having fully described my invention, what I 65 claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters

Patent, is—

1. A check-book having stubs to which the checks are attached, the stubs having spaces on their front faces for the deposits and 70 amounts of checks, substantially as set forth.

2. A check-book having lines for the deposits and amount of checks on the right and left sides of the front faces of the stubs, sub-

stantially as set forth.

3. A check-book the stub portion of which has deposit and check columns on the right and left side of the front face thereof, designated by the words "Deposits" and "Checks," and places for the "Amount brought forward" 80 and the "Balance" all on one side of the stub, as indicated by these words, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscrib- 85 ing witnesses.

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