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FIG. 1

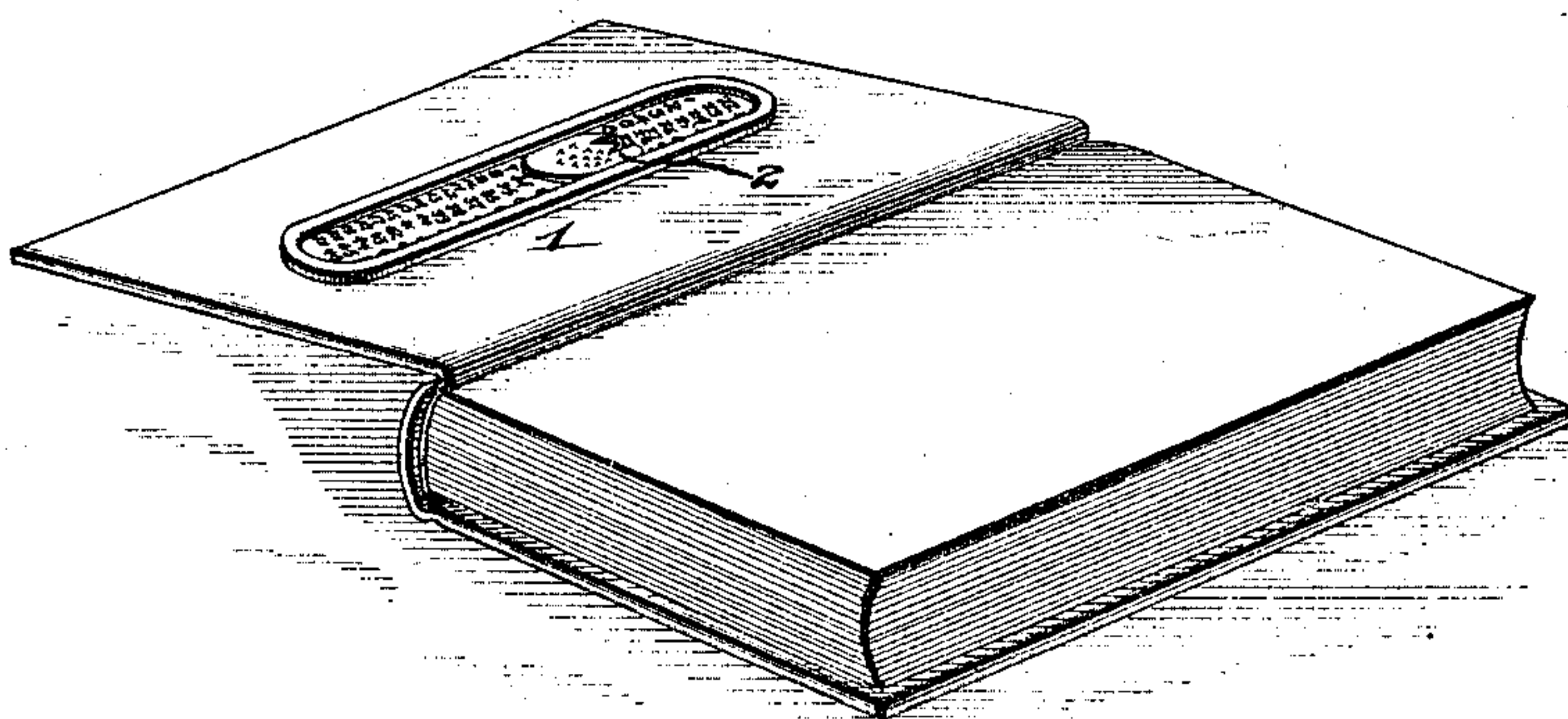


FIG. 2

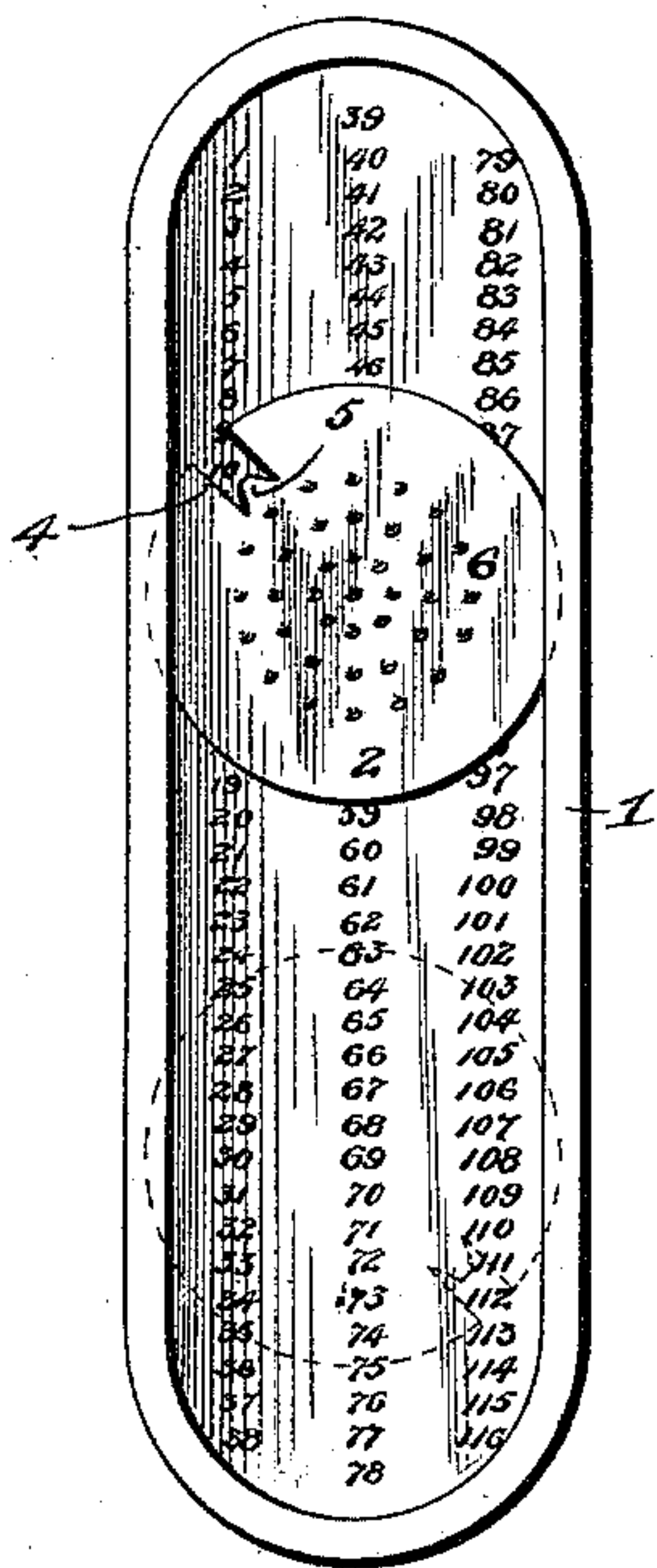


FIG. 3

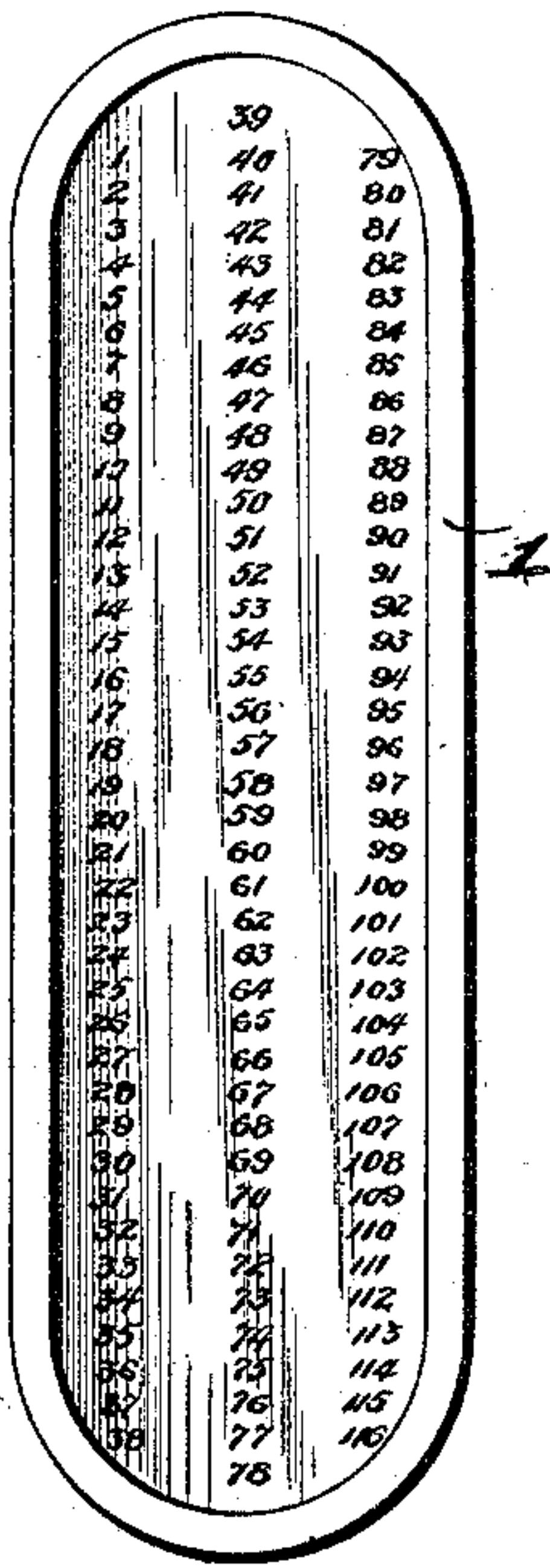


FIG. 4

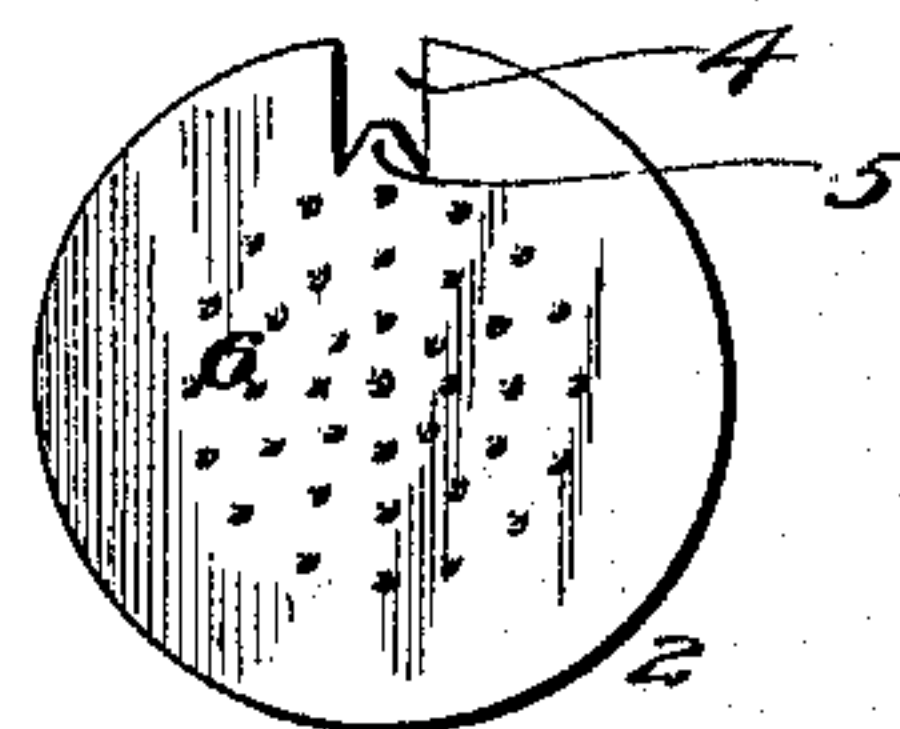
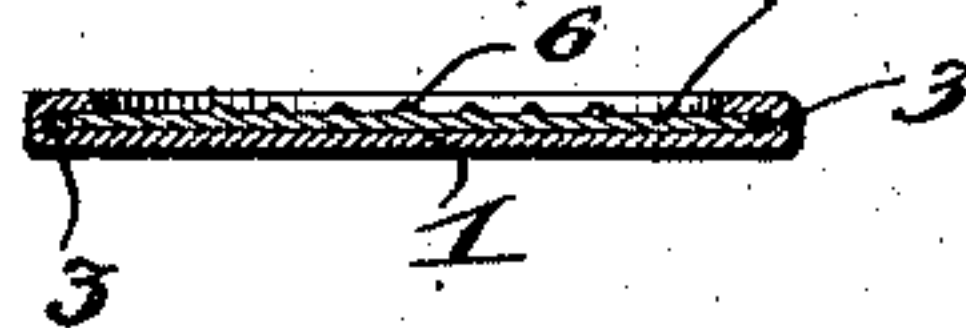


FIG. 5



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## BOOK-MARK.

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*To all whom it may concern.*

Be it known that I, MONROE G. CARLETON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Grasslake, in the county of Jackson and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Book-Marks; and I do 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 ap-  
10 pertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to improvements in book-markers or page-indicating devices. It has for its objects to provide means to enable the reader of a book to keep an exact record  
15 of the page at which he leaves off from time to time while perusing the volume to the end, and, further, to provide a device of this nature which is simple, cheap, and durable and may be employed without injury to the book.

20 With these and other objects in view, which will appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, the invention consists of certain novel features of construction, combination, and arrangement of parts, as will be hereinafter more fully described, and particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

In the accompanying drawings, illustrating the invention, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a book, showing the application of the in-  
30 vention thereto. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the marker removed, showing in full and broken lines the operation of the disk. Fig. 3 is a plan view of the holder. Fig. 4 is a similar view of the disk. Fig. 5 is a detail cross-sectional view through the holder and disk.

Referring now more particularly to the drawings, the numeral 1 designates the holder of the marker or page-indicator, which carries the indicator-disk 2, and consists of a  
40 comparatively long and narrow plate or body having grooves or guideways 3, formed by folding or bending the edge of the material of which the holder is made over upon the face of the body thereof, as clearly shown in  
45 Fig. 5. On the said face of the holder are arranged one or more longitudinal rows or columns of numerals or other indice characters indicating pages of a book. These numerals may be printed, painted, embossed, or  
50 otherwise formed upon the holder.

The disk 2 is circular in form and is of a

diameter corresponding nearly to the width of the holder, so as to fit and slide within the grooves 3, as well as to turn freely therein when actuated by the movement of the fin-  
55 ger of the operator. This action of the disk is permitted when pressure is applied thereto to move it, but normally the disk is held securely in adjusted position by frictional en-  
60 gagement with the walls of the grooves, which effectually prevents casual movement thereof. The disk is provided at one side with an observation-opening 4, through which the in-  
65 dice characters on the holder are viewed, and at the inner end of said opening with a fin-  
ger or pointer 5. In order to enable the disk to be conveniently operated, I preferably provide the same with a finger-grip in the form of a serrated surface 6, composed of a num-  
70 ber of minute projections formed in any preferred way.

In use the book-mark may be placed between the front or back cover and the adjoining leaf of the book or at any desired point in the book, and when the reader stops  
75 at any certain page the number of said page may be indicated by moving the disk to bring the observation-opening and pointer into register with the desired number in either one of the columns of numerals on the holder.  
80 On taking up the volume anew a glance at the indicator will show where the reader left off last. In moving the disk one or more fingers of the hand are placed on the serrated surface 6, and the disk may then be slid or  
85 turned to set the pointer at the proper point. Fig. 2 of the drawings shows in full and broken lines the positions the disk may be adjusted to to point to any desired numeral in either one of the columns, and by refer-  
90 ence to this figure, in connection with the foregoing description, the operation will be readily understood.

The holder and disk may be made of paper, metal, celluloid, or any other material  
95 suitable for the purpose. I do not therefore limit myself to the use of any particular kind or kinds of material nor to the exact construction shown, but reserve the right to make such changes as fall within the spirit and scope of  
100 my invention.

Having thus fully described my invention,



what I claim as new and useful, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

1. An indicator of the character described, comprising an elongated holder consisting of a body bearing columns of numerals and having guide-flanges, and an indicator-disk having opposite side edges frictionally fitted between the body of the holder and said flanges and adapted to be turned and to be slid longitudinally of the holder, said disk being formed with an observation-opening and a pointer adapted to register with the numerals of either of said columns of numerals, substantially as described.
2. An indicator of the character described, comprising a holder consisting of an elon-

gated body portion having its side edges bent to form flanges and provided upon its face with longitudinal columns of numerals, and a disk fitted to slide and to turn between the said body portion and flanges of the holder and provided with an observation-opening, a pointer cooperating therewith, and a friction-surface affording a grip or handhold, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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