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Fig. 1.

Fig. 1. is a form for a Voucher Check. It includes fields for the bank name (RICHARD ROE & Co. BANK), the payee (1st NATIONAL BANK), the amount (PAY AND CHARGE), the cashier (William Lee), the date (May 5th 1903), and the signature of the cashier (William Lee). It also includes a section for the payee's acknowledgment of receipt from the bank, with fields for the amount (One Hundred & 40/100 Dollars) and the date (May 5th 1903). The form is labeled with 'f' and 'c'.

Fig. 2.



Fig. 3.

Fig. 3. is a form for an ACCOUNT PAYABLE. It includes a table with columns for the date, the amount, and the description. The table is labeled with 'b' and 'e'. Below the table is a section for the payee's acknowledgment of receipt from the bank, with fields for the amount (One Hundred & 40/100 Dollars) and the date (May 5th 1903). The form is labeled with 'f' and 'a'.

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VOUCHER-CHECK.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM J. FABIAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Evanston, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Voucher-Checks, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to that class of instruments known as "voucher-checks," which are now so largely used in place of the ordinary check and bill, and is intended to minimize the danger of errors in the drawing of checks and settling of accounts.

The principal object of the invention is to provide a simple, economical, and efficient voucher-check, as will more fully hereinafter appear.

The invention consists principally in a folded check having a wide and narrow leaf, the outer face of the narrow leaf and the exposed portion of the wide leaf being appropriately ruled and designated to constitute the one a bank form and the other a payee's receipt.

The invention consists, further and finally, in the features, combinations, and details of construction hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a view of a folded voucher-check as it appears when constructed in accordance with these improvements; Fig. 2, a sectional view taken on line 2 of Fig. 1, and Fig. 3 a view showing the voucher-check in its opened condition.

In the art to which this invention relates it is well known that in the use of voucher-checks it is very desirable to make them in such way as to minimize the labor of handling in banks and clearing and counting houses. The voucher-checks now in use are so folded that the check portion only is in view, and every person who handles the same has to open it, so as to find out whether it has been properly drawn and receipted, all of which entails a large amount of trouble and expense. To obviate this objection and provide a voucher-check that will meet all the requirements of modern commerce is the principal object of this invention.

In making a voucher-check in accordance

with these improvements I take a sheet of paper and on one side near the lower edge print the receipt portion *a* for the payee, having a blank *a'* for the total amount and above it the form for filling out the account or bill *b*, having columns *b'* for the itemized amounts directly over the blank *e'* of the payee's receipt. On the other side is printed a check portion proper bearing the maker's name *c* and the name of the bank *d*. Either side may have a dotted line *e* printed thereon, along which the paper should be folded. When the paper is folded, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, it becomes an ordinary bankable voucher and check forming one wide and one narrow leaf, the narrow leaf bearing the check proper and the wide leaf or portion which is exposed below the narrow leaf bearing the payee's receipt, with blank for total amount, and also the auditor's or approver's signature *f*. When the parts are folded as above, it will be seen that one side of the folded check displays all that the banker has to know—viz., the name of the maker, name of the bank, and whether the receipt and approver's portions are properly filled out. The other side of the wide leaf of the instrument when folded should remain blank, as is usual in all such instruments, for indorsement purposes.

I claim—

1. As a new article of manufacture, a folded voucher-check having a wide and a narrow leaf, the outer face of the narrow leaf and the exposed portion of the wide leaf being appropriately ruled and designated, to constitute the one a bank form and the other a payee's receipt.

2. As a new article of manufacture, a folded voucher-check having a wide and a narrow leaf, the outer face of the narrow leaf being appropriately ruled and designated to constitute a bank form and the exposed portion of the wide leaf being appropriately ruled and designated to constitute a payee's receipt.

3. As a new article of manufacture a folded voucher-check having a wide and a narrow leaf, the outer face of the narrow leaf being appropriately ruled and designated to constitute a bank form and the exposed portion of the wide

leaf being appropriately ruled and designated to constitute a payee's receipt and a blank for the approver's name.

4. As a new article of manufacture a folded
5 voucher-check having a wide and narrow leaf, the outer face of the narrow leaf being appropriately lined and designated to constitute a bank form, the portion of the wide leaf concealed by the narrow leaf being appropriately
10 lined and designated to constitute an account form and the exposed portion of said wide leaf being appropriately ruled and designated to constitute a payee's receipt.

5. As a new article of manufacture a folded

voucher-check having a wide and narrow leaf, 15 the outer face of the narrow leaf being appropriately lined and designated to constitute a bank form, the portion of the wide leaf concealed by the narrow leaf being appropriately lined and designated to constitute an account 20 form and the exposed portion of said wide leaf being appropriately ruled and designated to constitute a payee's receipt and a blank for the approver's name.

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