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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, BIRNIE G. CHAPPEE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Detroit, county of Wayne, State of Michigan, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Indexes; and I 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 pertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, which forms a part of this specification.

My invention relates to indexes for record-books in which the subject-matter is indexed by proper names; and the object of my improvement is to provide an improved index in which the names shall be arranged in their natural order with the given name preceding the surname and in which all the names will be in open columns, the surnames being indexed by the initial letter and a subsequent letter—for instance, the first vowel—and in which the names are also subindexed more generally by the initials of the first name. I attain this object in the device shown in the accompanying drawing, in which the figure represents the right-hand leaf of a book open at one of the indexed pages and a portion of the left-hand leaf of said book.

In an upper corner is placed the initial letter as a designation of the surnames of all the names to be entered upon the page, and under this initial letter is placed the initials of all the Christian names to be entered upon that page. In this case the initial letter of the surname is "S" and the initial letters of the Christian name are "A" to "F." The page A has the usual horizontal lining and is divided into a number of columns by vertical lines B. The second column, commencing at the left, and every alternate column after that is to be occupied by the surnames and is headed by a letter of the secondary index, in the case shown by a vowel, as a designation of the surnames to be entered in it, the first vowel of which is the same as that at the head of the column. The first vertical column and every alternate column subsequent thereto is to be occupied by the given name, and only such names are entered upon this page as have

given names commencing with the letters indicated at the upper corner, in this instance "A" to "F." The next to the last vertical column is headed by the word "Page," and in this column are entered the numbers of the pages upon which the subject-matter indicated by each of the names is to be found. The margins of the leaves are cut away in the usual way, so that the initial letters of the surnames may be seen, as indicated at the right-hand lower corner of the figure. The margins of the pages of each initial letter are also cut away, as indicated at *a*, so that the index-letter of the Christian names of each of the pages under a single initial of the surname may be seen when the book is open at the first page designated by said initial. By this arrangement it will be seen that each name is entered in its natural order with the Christian name immediately preceding the surname, that the names are scattered over the page in open order or columns—that is, so that there is generally at least one blank line between each two adjacent names in a vertical column—so that they may be easily seen without the concentration of attention and strain upon the eyesight that is necessary when the names are written in a solid column. The surnames are indexed by the initial letter and by the first vowel, and the entire name is indexed by three distinct systems.

Having fully described my invention, what I claim is—

1. In an index for proper names, a page appropriately designated to contain a certain class of surnames, and appropriately designated to contain a certain class of given names, and provided with alternate vertical columns each of said columns being appropriately designated to contain a certain subdivision of said class of surnames different from the subdivisions contained in the others of said columns, a vertical column, appropriately designated to contain given names, preceding each of said columns and horizontal lines crossing said vertical columns.

2. In an index for proper names, a page designated by the initial of the surnames and of the given names to be entered thereon and provided with vertical columns, the first col-

umn at the left and alternate columns thereafter being designated by the words "Given name," the second column from the left and alternate columns thereafter being designated  
5 by the word "Surname" and a letter of the secondary index of the surnames.

3. In an index for proper names, a page designated by the initial of the surnames and of the given names to be entered thereon and  
10 provided with vertical columns, the first column to the left and alternate columns thereafter being designated by the words "Given

name," the second column from the left and alternate columns thereafter being designated by the word "Surname," a letter of the secondary index of the surnames, and a column  
15 toward the right of the page for reference-numbers or addresses.

In testimony whereof I sign this specification in the presence of two witnesses.

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