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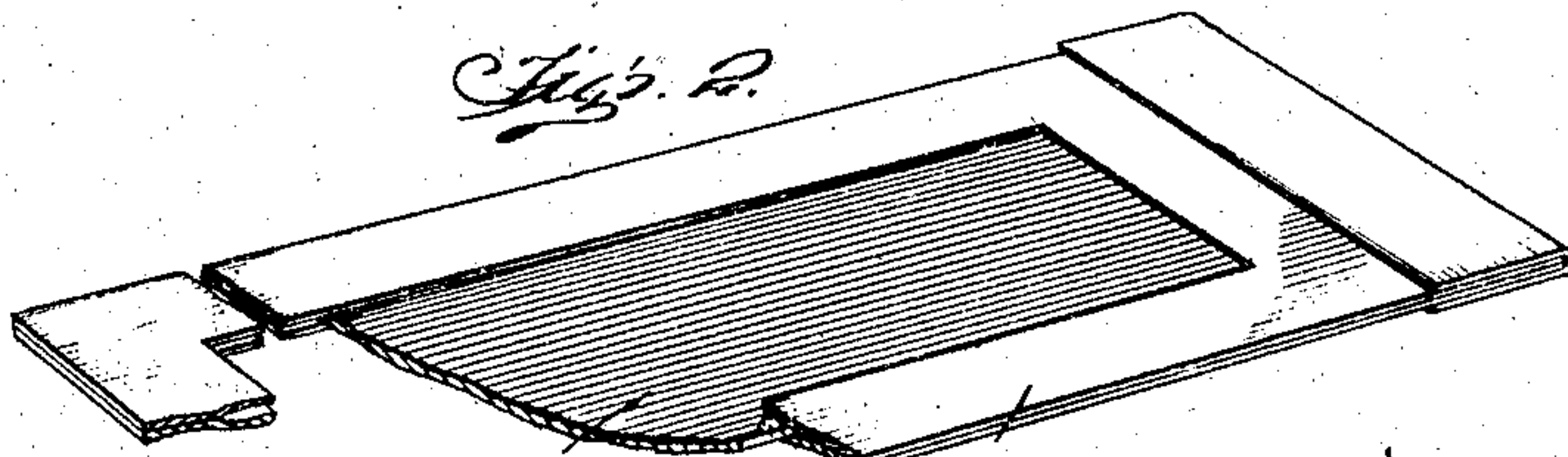
2 SHEETS—SHEET 1.

Fig. 1.

Date	Deposits	Expenses	Balance
	Cash	Bank	
1903			
Aug 1st	574.10		574.10
19	42.00		616.10
	25.28	7.00	638.90
20			
	1,200.00		1,838.90
	5.00	19.50	1,814.40
31		28.75	1,785.65

Fig. 1 shows a grid with columns for Date, Deposits (Cash, Bank, Balance), and Expenses (Wages, Sundry). The grid is divided into two main sections: a left section for cash and bank transactions, and a right section for expenses and sundries. The right section includes a check stub area with fields for payee, amount, and date.

Fig. 2.



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2 SHEETS—SHEET 2.

Fig. 3.

19				18				20				21				13				14			
Cash Book								Check Book															
Date		Stems	Debit	Credit	Date		Stems	Debit	Credit	Date		Stems	Debit	Credit	Date		Stems	Debit	Credit				
Aug 1st 1903		Balance			Aug 1st 1903			25,204.50		Aug 1st 1903					Aug 1st 1903								
Aug 1st		Paid to A. B. Blank & Co.	150.00		Aug 1st			150.00		Aug 1st					Aug 1st								
Aug 5th		Rec'd from A. B. Blank & Co.		402.00	Aug 5th				402.00	Aug 5th					Aug 5th								
Aug 5th		for 30 shares of A. B. Blank & Co.			Aug 5th					Aug 5th					Aug 5th								
Aug 23rd		Deposited	500.00		Aug 23rd			500.00		Aug 23rd					Aug 23rd								
Aug 24th		Paid for commission on 5 shares of A. B. Blank & Co.	2.50		Aug 24th			2.50		Aug 24th					Aug 24th								
Aug 24th		Dep. to Washington	25.00		Aug 24th			25.00		Aug 24th					Aug 24th								
Aug 24th		for Patent			Aug 24th					Aug 24th					Aug 24th								
Aug 31st		Rec'd from A. B. Blank & Co.		300.00	Aug 31st				300.00	Aug 31st					Aug 31st								
Aug 31st		for sale of my patent			Aug 31st					Aug 31st					Aug 31st								
Aug 31st		Paid employees	500.00		Aug 31st			500.00		Aug 31st					Aug 31st								
Aug 31st		Personal expenses	50.00		Aug 31st			50.00		Aug 31st					Aug 31st								
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STUBLESS CHECK AND COLUMNAR CASH BOOK.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 791,865, dated June 6, 1905.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, AUGUSTIN MARION BENEDIC, a citizen of the United States, residing at New Orleans, in the parish of Orleans and State of Louisiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Stubbleless Check and Columnar Cash 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.

This invention relates to improvements in accounting systems, and particularly to a combination of check and cash book.

The object in view is the saving of time and labor and the provision of means for keeping a full record of the data of each check issued. This object is attained by the employment of a check superposed upon a sheet ruled with columns for cash and other items, the check being adapted to be filled out, while the carbon-sheet or other manifolding substance is retained between the check and cash sheet.

The invention consists of certain novel construction, combinations, and arrangements of parts, as will be hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a plan view of two contiguous pages of a cash-book and check-book combined, embodying the features of the present invention, some of the checks being indicated as removed. Fig. 2 represents a perspective view of a carbon-holding frame adapted for use in connection with the present accounting system. Fig. 3 is a plan view of a cash-book and check-book combined, showing a little different arrangement for the columns of the cash-book portion and leaving space upon the checks for advertising matter.

The present improved system of accounting involves the employment of a cash-book which may be provided with suitably-ruled pages, and between each two of such pages is interposed a sheet of blank checks.

I have illustrated in the accompanying drawings a cash-book embodying the features of the present invention in an open condition, disclosing one page 1 of one leaf and the opposite page 2 of the next leaf, some of the

checks of the interposed sheet of checks 3 being removed. Sheet 3 is secured between the pages 1 and 2 and may be suitably scored for facilitating removal of the checks one at a time.

Centrally of page 2 is provided a longitudinal comparatively wide column 4, positioned in operation beneath that portion of the check-sheet 3 which contains the blank lines for receiving the inserted data. Each sheet 3 is made up of a number of blank checks 5, each preferably provided near its outer end with a blank space for the reception of numerals indicating the amount of the check, and beneath this space upon page 2 is arranged a longitudinal column 6 for the reception of said figures, whereby when all of the checks of one of the sheets 3 have been filled out and removed page 2 will disclose full data of each of the checks and a column of the sums, which may be footed up for giving totals. On the opposite side of column 4 from column 6 may be ruled off any suitable columns 7 and 8 for various accounts as "personal" and "sundry" and the like, to which the sums indicated in the column 6 may be posted, so that the book may serve as a journal as well as cash and check book and the items may be posted directly from the columns 7 and 8 as well as from similar columns 9 upon page 1 directly to the ledger. When a double-entry ledger is being used in connection with the present improved book, the total of any of the columns 7, 8, or 9 may be posted to the account corresponding to the particular column and debited by cash in such account. If a cash account is kept in the ledger, the same may be credited to sundries for the total footing of the column 6.

At a convenient point on page 1 I contemplate providing suitable columns for indicating the amount of deposits, so that the total footing of column 6 may be subtracted from the total deposits for indicating the amount in bank.

In practicing the present system I employ a carbon or manifolding sheet 11, preferably retained within a suitable paper or board frame 12, constructed for facilitating handling without danger of discoloring the operator's hands.

This sheet in operation is placed beneath the particular check 5 to be filled out, as illustrated in Fig. 1, and the date and name of the person in whose favor the check is given, the amount of the check, and the signature, written, preferably, with a stylographic pen, so as to give a clear impression on page 2. The check is now torn off and issued, and the desired data appears upon page 2 without requiring the filling of stubs or other copying from the original check. The frame 12, with its sheet 11, may next be moved beneath the next succeeding check, and so on until the entire sheet 3 has been torn out, and columns 7, 8, and 9 are footed up and totals carried forward and a balance of money in bank struck in the manner above indicated and also carried forward.

In Fig. 3 I have illustrated my improved cash-book and check-book arranged somewhat differently from the showing in Fig. 1. In said Fig. 3 the check-book portion is arranged in a similar manner to the book shown in Fig. 1, there being a central column 13 for receiving the written portions setting forth the amount of the check and a numeral-column 14 for receiving the numerical amounts. In this instance also the check-sheet is so arranged that one end thereof, as at 15, is provided with sufficient space to receive advertising matter. The central portion of the check 16 coincides with column 13, while the outer edge 17 upon which the numerals indicating the amount of the check are placed coincide with the column 14 of the check-book page. The reverse side of the check-book page is arranged for use as a cash-book, there being central column 18 for stating the items for which payments are made and columns 19

and 20 to the left to right of the items-column, respectively, for receiving figures indicating the receipts and cash payments. Between the column containing the cash payments and the check-book column on the next page are arranged a series of columns, as 21, in which may be placed figures indicating particular articles for which payments are made in cash or by check. In this manner the cash account and the check account are distinct and separate, and the cash and bank balances are separately shown.

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

A combined check and cash book comprising a series of pages substantially equal in size, every other page being subdivided by weakened lines into checks containing printed matter and each having spaces suitably designated by the context, the similarly-located spaces of each check-page being arranged in columns, the remaining pages each having columns upon one side and facing one of the check-pages, said columns being suitably designated for debits and credits while the other side is provided with columns beneath the corresponding check-page and which are suitably designated for the reception of the data entered upon the checks, said last-mentioned columns normally registering with the columns of spaces upon the checks.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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