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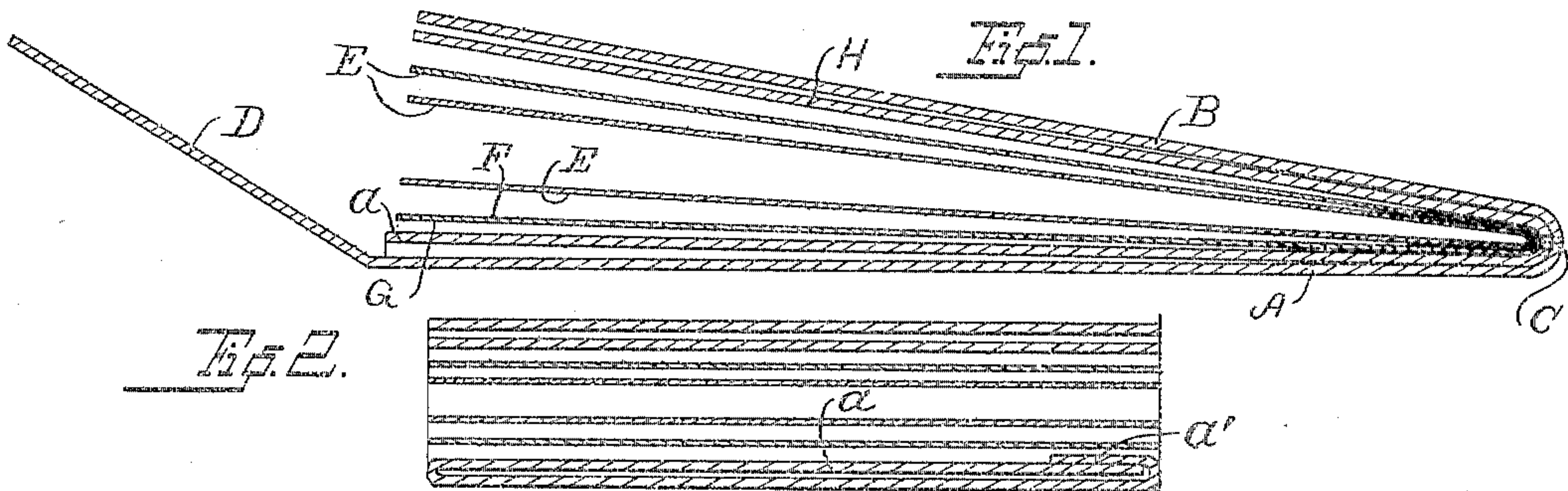
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2 SHEETS—SHEET 1.



**Fig. 3.**

Class No		1903
Dept.	A	
Combination Class Book and Collection Envelope.		
Teacher _____		
Address _____		

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**Fig. 4.**

COLLECTIONS 1903															
JANUARY				APRIL				JULY				OCTOBER			
4	11	18	25	5	12	19	26	5	12	19	26	4	11	18	25
TOTAL FOR MONTH \$				\$				\$				\$			
FEBRUARY				MAY				AUGUST				NOVEMBER			
1	8	15	22	3	10	17	24	2	9	16	23	1	8	15	22
TOTAL FOR MONTH \$				\$				\$				\$			
MARCH				JUNE				SEPT				DECEMBER			
1	8	15	22	7	14	21	28	6	13	20	27	6	13	20	27
TOTAL FOR MONTH \$				\$				\$				\$			
GRAND TOTAL FOR THE YEAR \$															

**Fig. 5.**  
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CLAS. NO.	DEC	NOV	OCT	SEP	AUG	JULY	JUN	MAY	APR	MAR	FEB	JAN
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*Fig. 6.*

Names of Teachers Substituting for this Class during the Year.		
MONTH	DATE	- NAMES -

*Fig. 7.*

- Missionary Collections -					
MONTH	DATE	AMT.	MONTH	DATE	AMT.
January		\$	July		\$
February		\$	August		\$
March		\$	September		\$
April		\$	October		\$
May		\$	November		\$
June		\$	December		\$
Amt. for 6 mo. \$			Amt. for 6 mo. \$		
Grand Total for the Year — \$					

*Fig. 8.*

No.		JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL		
e		4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26		
		e	e	e			
5		MARK ABSENTEES ONLY WITH X				3	
JULY		Name _____				MAY	
12		Address _____				10 17 24 31	
19		Transferred to Class No _____				7	
26		Withdrawn _____				JUNE	
2						14 21 28	
AUGUST							
9							
16							
23							
30							
		6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27		
		SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER		

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## COMBINATION CLASS-BOOK AND COLLECTION-ENVELOP.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, SUMMERS W. NICHOLS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Milwaukee, county of Milwaukee, and State of Wisconsin, have invented new and useful Improvements in Combination Class-Books and Collection-Envelops, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in combination class-books and collection-envelops.

The object of my invention is to facilitate keeping complete class-records in Sunday-schools, whereby such a record may be accurately kept without special skill and with a minimum of labor on the part of the teacher and general officers of the school.

In the following description reference is had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a longitudinal sectional view of my invention. Fig. 2 is a transverse sectional view of the same. Figs. 3 and 4 are views of the front and rear covers, respectively. Fig. 5 is a detail view of a page formed in a series of detachable sections and adapted to facilitate keeping a general record of attendance by the superintendent or secretary, and Figs. 6, 7, and 8 are detail views of the class-record sheets.

Like parts are identified by the same reference characters throughout the several views.

My invention is in the form of a book with front and rear covers A and B, respectively, connected together by a flexible binding or back C. The front cover A is formed with side flaps *a a'*, which are folded inwardly and pasted together, as clearly shown in Fig. 2, to form a pocket for moneys collected. The cover A is also provided with a flap D at its outer end, and the side flap *a* is made continuous with one of the pages H at its inner end, which extends across the back C and laps onto the inner face of the cover B. In this manner a pocket is formed between the inner face of the cover A and the flaps *a a'*, which pocket is closed at its lower end by the binding of the page H, which is bound in with the other leaves of the book and the back C, the binding being substantially as in ordinary books. The outer face of the cover A

is provided with a blank form for the class and department numbers of the chart. The outer face of the cover B, Fig. 4, is divided into twelve rectangular spaces, each of which contains the name of one month of the year. Within each of these spaces are smaller squares, one for the first day of each week during the month and a corresponding set of squares which are left blank to be filled in by the teacher, with entries of the amounts collected on the corresponding days. Space is also provided for the total amounts collected during the month, the entire face of the page being thus arranged in the form of a chart. Bound into the book are a number of pages E of the character shown in Fig. 8, in which a central space *E'* is provided with a blank form for the name and address of the pupil, and around this form I have charted the several months of the year and the dates of each Sunday in each month with corresponding blank squares or spaces *e*, in which a mark, such as a cross, may be made whenever the pupil whose name appears in the central form on that page is absent. With this arrangement of the sheet the teacher is enabled to keep a complete record of the attendance of the pupil by merely entering a mark underneath any date on which such pupil may be absent. In addition to the leaves shown in Fig. 8 one leaf F is provided of the character shown in Fig. 7, the same having a blank form or chart adapted to be filled in with a record of the special collections, such as missionary collections. As these are usually made monthly, the form merely provides the names of the months and a blank space for the entry of the amount, together with the date of collection opposite the name of the month and the totals. Still another page G is provided for the names of substitute teachers, as shown in Fig. 6. It will be observed that the pages E, a sample of which is illustrated in Fig. 8, are provided in one corner with a space *e'*, marked with the abbreviation "No.," this space being adapted to receive a number identifying the pupil whose name appears upon the page.

In Fig. 5 I have illustrated a page H subdivided into detachable sections *h* by vertical



lines of weakness, such as perforations. These detachable sections *h* are twelve in number, and each section bears the name or abbreviation of one month of the year, the first month being indicated on the outer section of the page and the names of the other months extending therefrom in reverse order, the name of the last month being indicated on the inner section nearest the binding. Whenever the pupil is absent, such absence is not only indicated upon the page E devoted to such pupil, Fig. 8, but the number by which said pupil is designated in the space *c'* of page E is also entered upon page H underneath the name of the month during which such absence occurs. At the end of each month the strip pertaining to that month is torn off from the page (shown in Fig. 5) and handed to the superintendent or other general officer of the Sunday-school, thus enabling him to keep a complete record of the attendance of the Sunday-school by means of such numbers, which record may be verified any time by reference to the pages, Fig. 8, of the various class-books in charge of the teachers. It will be observed that each strip *h* is provided with a small blank space *j* near the top of the strip underneath the name of the month. By this means the various classes may be numbered or lettered and the class number or letter entered in the space *j* before tearing off the strip.

Briefly describing the use of my invention and assuming that the combined books or envelopes have been distributed among the various classes of the Sunday-school, each teacher will first enter the names and addresses of all the pupils in the class on pages E, the name and address of the teacher being also entered upon the outer face of the cover A, together with class number or letter and the department number, if any. Each Sunday thereafter the teacher will turn to those pages E which contain the names of the absent pupils and make a cross in the square *e* pertaining to the date on which such pupils are absent. On taking the collection the envelop is passed around and the collected moneys dropped into the pocket formed by the flaps *a a'* and the cover A. On ascertaining the amount of the collection the same is entered in the chart on the exterior face of the cover B, or if a missionary collection in the space provided therefor on page F. The teacher then fills out the strip *h* on page H by inserting the numbers of the absent pupils therein. After the record is completed the flap D is folded over the cover B and held in folded position by means of a rubber band or in any other convenient manner, the envelop B being then handed to the superintendent or other officer of the Sunday-school, who opens the device and removes the collection. The strip *h* may be torn off either by the teacher or by the general officer in charge of the device, and, if desired, the

general officer may also be required to make the entry of the collection upon the cover B or page F, the same thus constituting a receipt for the amount turned over by the teacher.

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

1. In a device of the described class, the combination of inclosing covers; a set of leaves forming interior pages, each having lines defining an appropriately-designated central space; and a surrounding chart containing the dates upon which the pupil is expected to be present, said chart being provided with lines defining blank spaces adjacent to each date; together with a single page divided, by tearing-lines, into a series of vertical strips, each strip having characters at its upper end, a portion of each such strip being left blank.

2. In a device of the described class, the combination of inclosing covers; of a pocket formed upon the inner face of the covers; a set of leaves forming interior pages, each having lines defining an appropriately-designated central space; and a surrounding chart containing the dates upon which the pupil is expected to be present, said chart being provided with lines defining definite blank spaces adjacent to each date, each such page being also provided with one additional definitely-outlined space; together with a single page divided by tearing-lines into a series of strips partially blank but having a time designation at one end.

3. In a device of the described class, the combination of inclosing covers; a set of leaves forming interior pages, each having lines defining an appropriately-designated central space; a surrounding chart containing the dates upon which the pupil is expected to be present, said chart being provided with lines defining blank spaces adjacent to each date for entries with reference to the attendance of the pupil, each such page being also provided with an additional definitely-outlined space; together with a single page divided by tearing-lines into a series of strips partially blank but containing a time designation, each strip being also provided with an independently-outlined blank space.

4. In a device of the described class, the combination of a set of inclosing covers, one of said covers being provided with side flaps folded inwardly and connected to form a pocket on the inner face of the cover, said cover being also provided with an end flap adapted to fold over the end of the other cover when the device is closed, and one of said side flaps being extended in the direction of the binding and permanently engaged in the binding, whereby the lower end of said pocket is closed; and a series of charted leaves bound between said covers.

5. In a device of the described class, the combination of a set of inclosing covers, one of

said covers being provided with side flaps folded together, and connected to form a pocket on the inner face of the cover, said cover being also provided with an end flap adapted  
5 to fold over the end of the other cover when the device is closed, and one of said pocket-flaps being extended to form one of the leaves and engage in the binding, whereby the lower

end of said pocket is closed; and a series of  
10 charted leaves bound between said covers.

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

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