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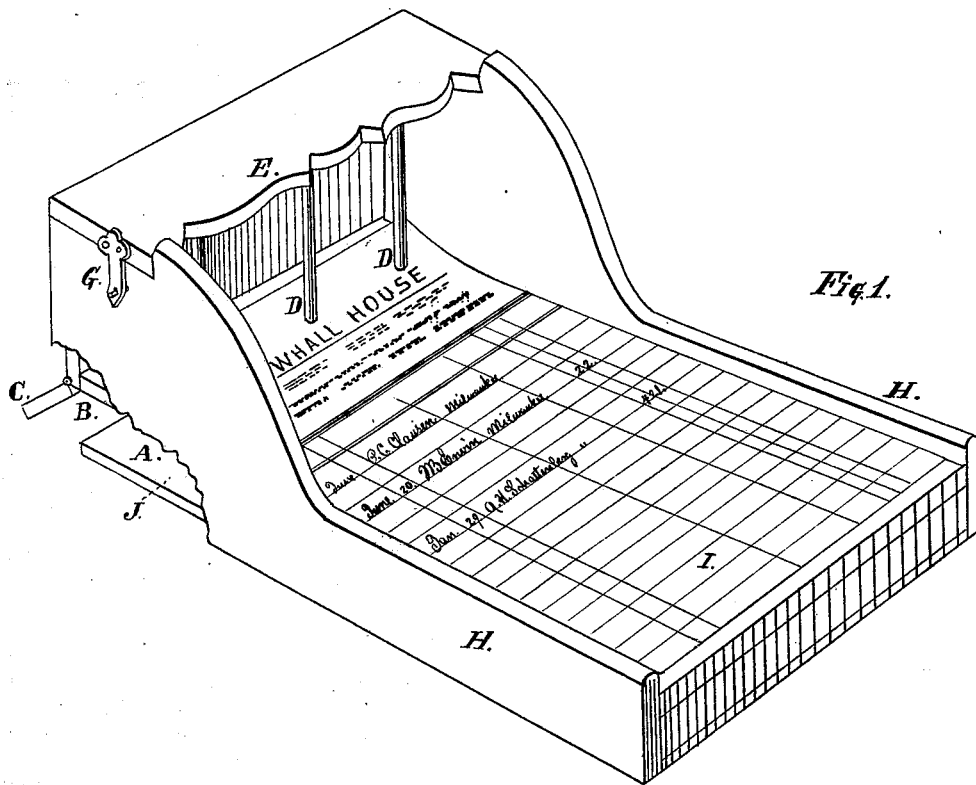


Fig. 1.

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IMPROVEMENT IN TEMPORARY BINDERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PAUL C. CLAUSEN, of the city of Milwaukee, in the county of Milwaukee and State of Wisconsin, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hotel Register and File; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

Figure 1 of the accompanying drawing represents a sectional perspective view of my invention.

The object of my invention is to furnish an improvement in registers for hotels; and consists in a device for holding and filing the ordinary blanks for registers, unbound, in a rigid and secure manner for the registration of the names of guests, in connection with which is a receptacle for the reserve blanks.

It is designed that my invention shall serve as a substitute for the expensive bound registers now in common use, by supplying instead thereof an ornamental case, which will answer the purpose of book-binding, for continuous use, in which new blanks are readily inserted from time to time, as occasion requires.

A in the accompanying drawing is a receptacle for the blanks, which are inserted at the back end of the case through the opening B. The opening B is provided with a door, C. D are metallic pins for holding the blanks. Holes are first cut through the blanks to correspond with the pins D, which are inserted through them preparatory for use. The pins D are made pointed at their upper end to facilitate putting the blanks upon them.

E is a cover, attached to the end of the case with hinges. It is thrown back when blanks are being inserted, after which it is closed, and secured with a spring-catch and pin, G. The cover E rests upon the ends of the pins D, and prevents the blanks from being withdrawn from them. The sides H of the case project a little above the paper upon each side thereof, and hold it securely in its place. I is a blank through which the pins D have been inserted. J is the place where the reserve blanks are stored for future use.

When the blank I is written full, the cover E is thrown back, and a new blank is drawn from the receptacle A and placed above it upon the pins D. Thus one blank after another is added to the file from day to day. At the end of each week or month, as desired, the record thus filled may be withdrawn from the pins, and a cord inserted through the holes in them and secured for filing.

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

As a new article of manufacture, a register and file consisting of a case for holding blanks, provided with pins D, sides H, a receptacle, A, for the reserve blanks, door C, cover E, spring-catch and pin G, all combined and arranged substantially as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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