

ABSTRACT

In a separation/collection device which is provided in a paper sheet conveyance device for conveying a paper sheet by being pushed from behind by a conveyance subsidiary body moving in the conveyance duct by receiving the airstream, and which separates and collects the paper sheet and the conveyance subsidiary body, even in case of an inelastic paper sheet, a curled paper sheet or a rolled paper sheet, the paper sheet is smoothly collected. On the downstream side of the separation unit 81 which passes only the paper sheet (bill 6) in the downstream direction and which stops the conveyance subsidiary body 16 by contacting the conveyance subsidiary body with the separation unit, the path part 96 for collecting the bill 6 is provided. The rib 110 is provided on the inner wall of the upstream portion of the path part. The conveyance belt 98 is arranged on the downstream side of the rib 110. By sucking the air in the path part via the sucking port 75 behind the conveyance belt, the bill clings to the conveyance belt to convey the bill. By the rib 110, the bill is prevented from clinging to the side wall of the path before the bill is moved to the conveyance belt.