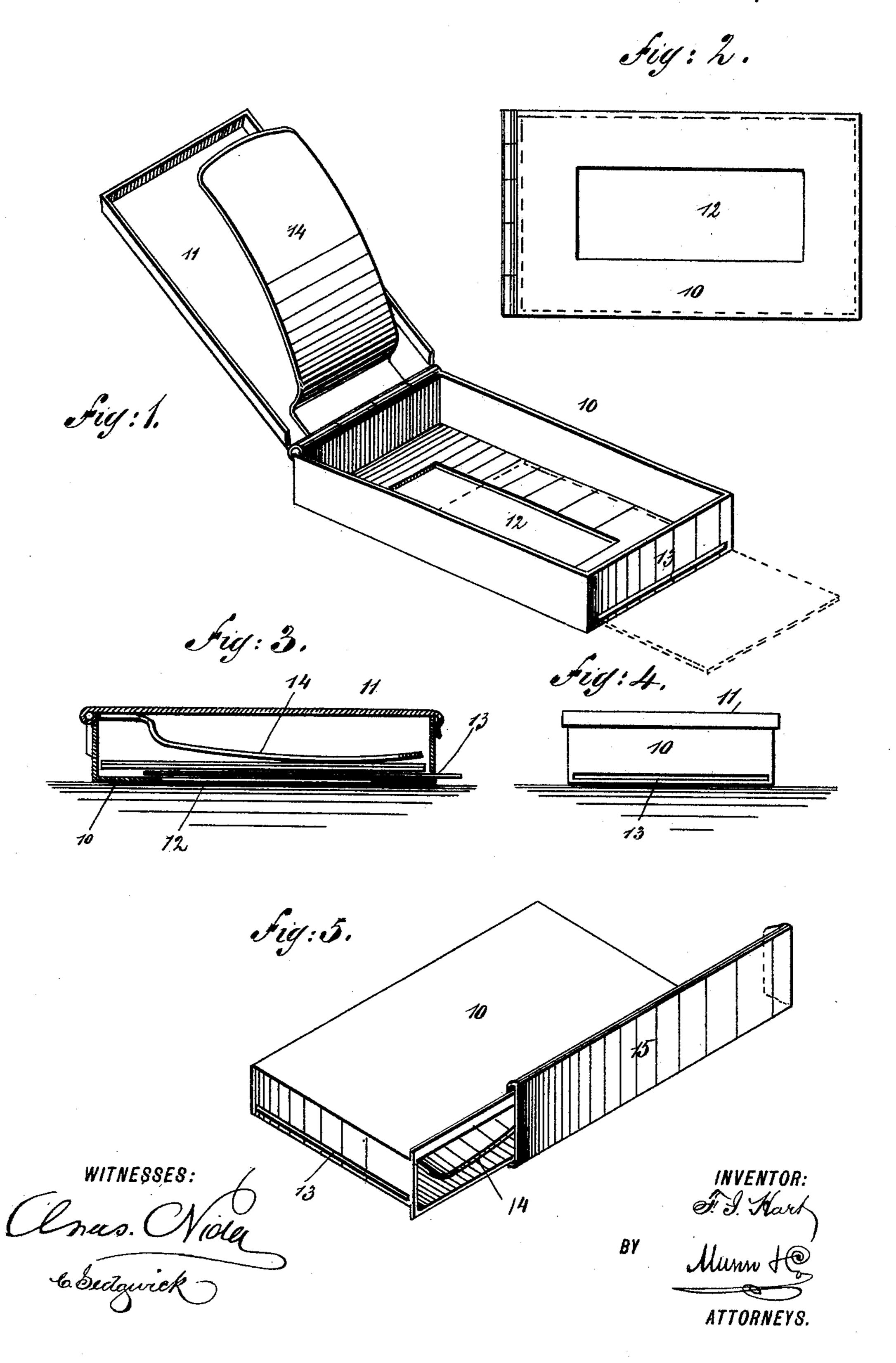
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Frank I. Hart, of New York city, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved 5 Ticket-Case, of which the following is a full,

clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to an improvement in ticket-cases, and has for its object to provide a simple convenient receptacle or case to capable of being conveniently carried in the pocket, and especially adapted to contain street-car, ferry, stage, and other tickets.

A further object of the invention is to provide a means whereby when the case is filled 15 the uppermost ticket may be readily and expeditiously withdrawn from the case when

desired for use.

The invention consists in the novel construction and combination of the several 20 parts, as will be hereinafter fully set forth, and pointed out in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar figures of reference indicate

25 corresponding parts in all the views.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the case with the bottom or cover thrown open to admit of the introduction of the tickets into the body of the case. Fig. 2 is a plan view. Fig. 30 3 is a central longitudinal section through the case with the cover closed. Fig. 4 is an end view of the case; and Fig. 5 is a perspective view of a slightly-modified form of the case, in which the tickets are introduced at one 35 side thereof.

The device consists, practically, of two sections—namely, a body-section 10 and a coversection 11. The body-section 10 is preferably made in the form of a rectangular box hav-40 ing an open bottom and a central (preferably rectangular) opening 12 produced in the top. The body-section is further provided at one end with a transverse slot 13 of sufficient width to readily admit of a ticket passing 45 through, and the said slot is located close to the top, as best shown in Figs. 1 and 4, in both of which figures the case is illustrated as in-

verted.

The cover-section 11 consists, ordinarily, of 50 a flanged plate of sufficient length and breadth to cover the open bottom of the body, and the said cover may be hinged to one end or side

of the box and held in a closed position by any approved form of clasp; or the cover may be made to lift entirely from the box, being 55 held in connection therewith by frictional contact, the flanges passing either in engagement with the inner or outer faces of the body-section.

To the innerface of the cover 11, at or near 60 one end of the same, one extremity of a spring 14 is rigidly secured, which spring is curved upward, whereby a space is made to intervene the free end of the spring and the inner face of the cover, and the upper portion of the 65 said spring is flattened to pass beneath the opening 12 in the top of the body-section parallel with the said body-section. The spring is made of such length that the free end will closely approach the end slot 13 of 70 the body, the upperface of said spring being essentially in a plane with the lower edge of the said slot.

In operation when the cover is removed the tickets are placed in the body-section, the 75 face of one ticket being exposed by reason of the opening 12. When a sufficient number of tickets have been inserted in the bodysection, the cover is secured to place, whereupon the spring 14, contacting with the under 80 ticket, presses the entire mass upward in contact with the top of the case, whereby as one ticket is removed by being slid outward through the slot 13 another ticket is made to immediately take its place. The tickets are 85 withdrawn by placing the finger in contact with the exposed surface of the upper ticket and sliding the same in the direction of the end slot 13.

In the modification illustrated in Fig. 4 the 90 tickets are introduced in the side. The construction is identical with that shown in Fig. 1, except that the top and bottom of the case are rigidly secured to the end pieces and one side piece, the other side piece being made 95 removable, and preferably made to slide upon the top and bottom sections of the case, either upon the outer or inner sides of the latter.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent— 100

1. As an improved article of maufacture, a ticket-case comprising a body-section 10, having fixed ends, provided in its top with a slot 12 and a slit 13 in the top part of one of its

fixed ends, and a spring 14, secured to the bottom of the body to press the tickets against the slotted top, one wall of the body being movable outwardly from the open part thereof for the introduction of the tickets,

substantially as set forth.

2. The combination, with the body 10, having the longitudinally-extending slot 12 in its top and the slit 13 in one end, of the hinged lid 11, adapted to be swung upwardly away from the body, and a spring 14, secured at one end to the under side of said lid, substantially as set forth.

3. The combination, with the body 10, having the slot 12 in its top and the slit 13 in one 15 end, of the hinged lid 11, adapted to be swung upwardly away from the body, and the spring 14, secured at one end to the under face of the lid and of a greater width than the slot 12, substantially as set forth.

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