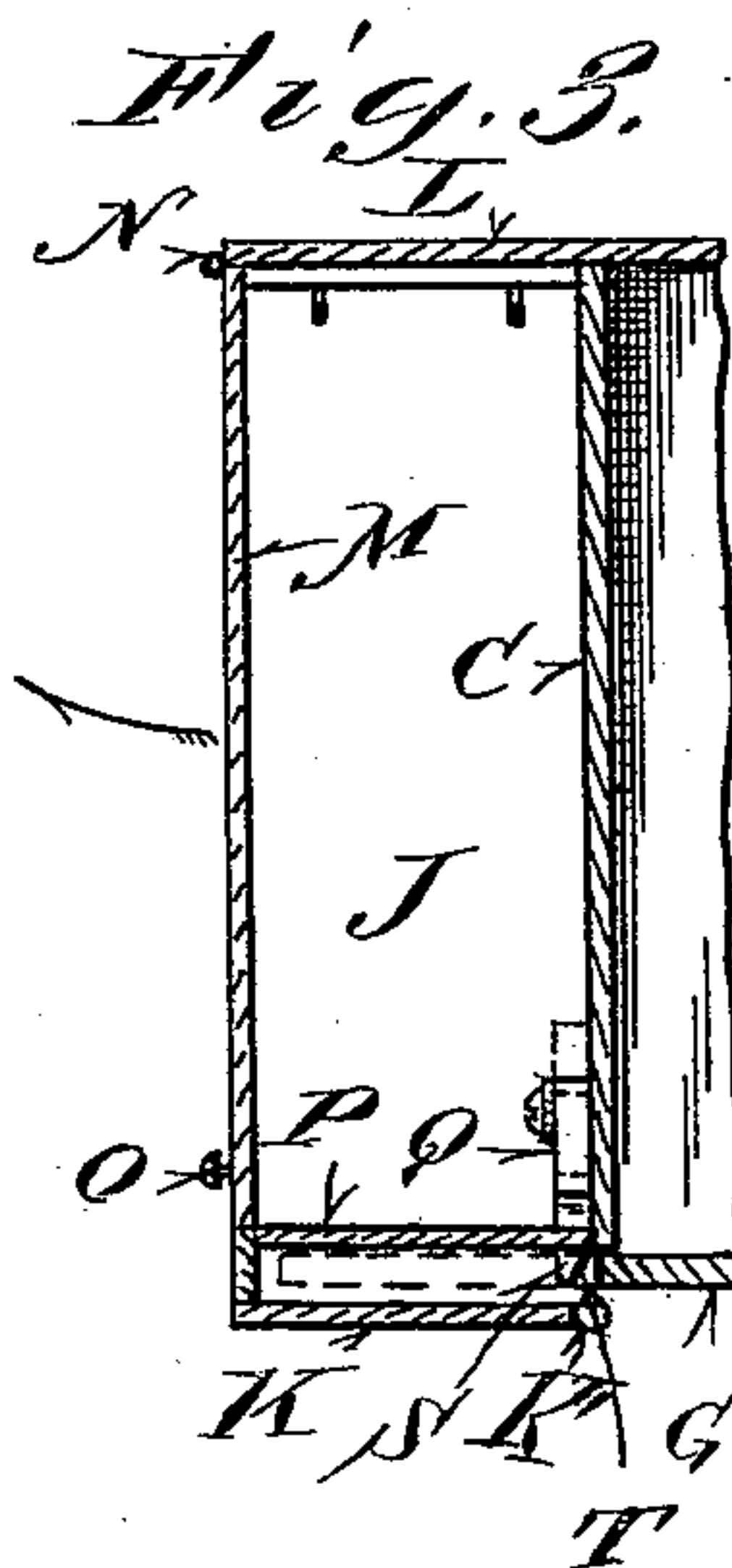
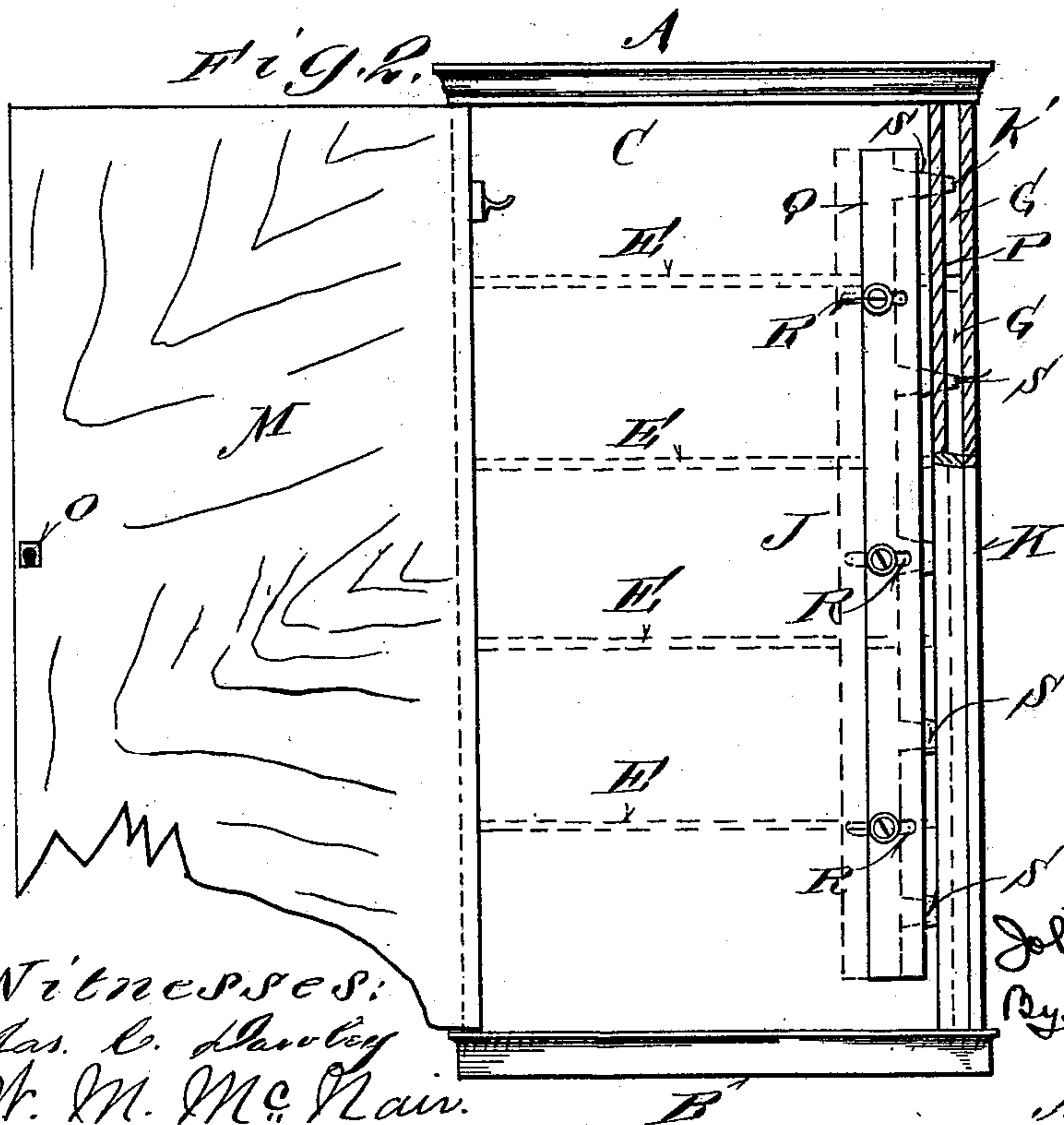
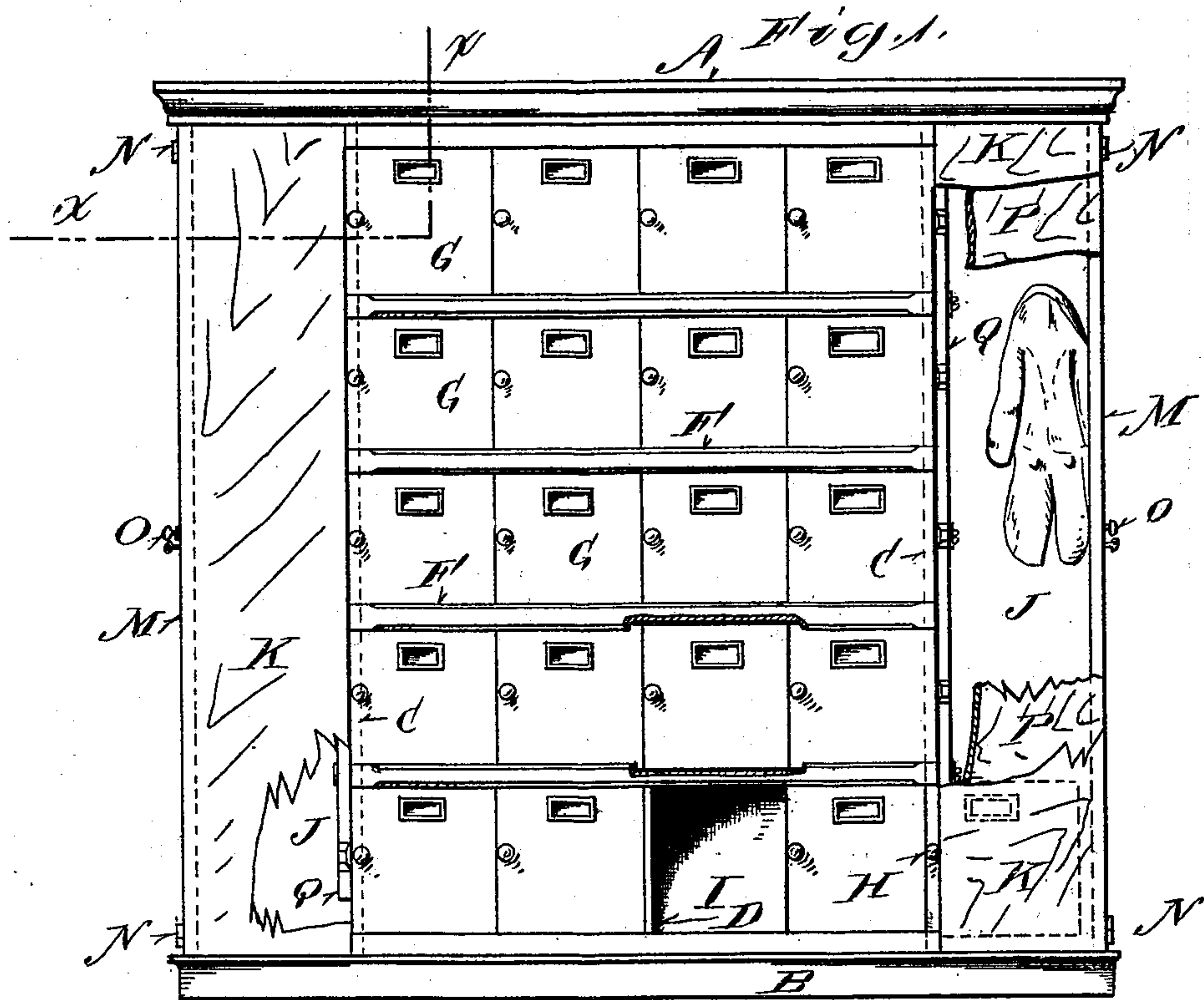


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN F. OHMER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Dayton, in the county of Montgomery and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cases or Cabinets, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

10 This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in cases or cabinets for filing away papers or documents, and the invention consists in an improvement upon the cases shown and described in Letters Patent No. 348,930, dated September 7, 1886, and granted to Harry D. Pursell, and owned by The M. Ohmer's Sons Company, my assignees of this present invention.

20 The peculiarities of my invention will be hereinafter fully described and particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings on which like reference letters indicate corresponding parts; Figure 1, represents a front view of my improved case or cabinet, with parts broken away to facilitate in the illustration; Fig. 2, an end view with the door thrown open and with some of the parts shown in section; and Fig. 3, a sectional view on the line *x x* of Fig. 1.

30 The letter A designates the top, B the bottom or base and C the ends.

The case is divided into a number of compartments or pigeon holes formed of vertical partitions, of which one is seen at D, and horizontal partitions as seen at E in dotted lines in Fig. 2. Grooved strips, ways or slides F extend horizontally across the case and receive the series of sliding lids or doors G. 40 These lids are provided with knobs or hand pieces H by which they may be taken hold of and given a sliding movement from side to side. For instance, if one desires access to one of the inner pigeon holes, as at I, he will 45 slide the door G to the right, which, pressing against the next door to the right, would project the latter outside of and beyond the side wall C. If he desired access to the next pigeon hole to the right of the one named he 50 would slide its door G to the right beyond

said side wall. If he desired access to either of the other pigeon holes on the other side of the center line the same operation would be performed. To close the pigeon hole I, he would take hold of the knob of the slide 55 shown projected laterally beyond the wall C. Such knob he would push to the left, when the slide belonging in front of the pigeon hole I would move across it, and the projected slide would move across its pigeon hole. 60

In order to provide a place for the reception of the slides when projected laterally beyond the side wall proper I have formed a compartment J by carrying the front wall K and the rear wall L laterally beyond the wall 65 C, and have provided a door M, hinged at N, and having a suitable lock or other fastening device at O. A supplemental wall P together with the wall K forms a pocket or dust proof receptacle to receive the projected slides. 70

In order to lock the several horizontal rows of slides all at the same time, that is to say lock all of the slides on one side of the center and all on the other side of the center I provide each half with a fastening device located respectively in the compartments J. 75 This fastening device consists of a vertical sliding bar Q, slotted as shown at R to receive headed studs which support it. This bar carries a series of fingers or projections 80 S, one for each slide counting vertically. The wall P is slotted at intervals to permit the passage of the pins or projections S so that they may enter the space between the walls P and K and thus prevent the slides from being moved outward. 85

In order to compensate for any shrinkage in the slides the pins or projections S are beveled as shown at T so that if the slides have contracted any they may be forced farther 90 into the space between the walls P and K with a wedge-like action against the ends of the slides.

The compartments J form wardrobes or closets for garments, umbrellas, &c., or in 95 which to place away stationery. By setting the bar Q so that its projections or pins will lock the slides and then locking the door M the pigeon holes will be securely closed against unauthorized persons. I may sometimes re- 100

cess the walls K, as shown at K' to accommodate the ends of the pins or projections S should they need to be forced that far.

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

1. In a document file, the combination with horizontal series of pigeon holes, a like series of horizontal slides therefor, and a compartment at the end of the case, a partition in
10 said compartment just back of the front wall of the case so as to divide said compartment into a narrow space for the reception of the slides and into a larger space for other uses.

15 2. In a document case, the combination with horizontal series of pigeon holes, horizontal slides therefor, and a compartment at the end of the case divided into a space for projected slides and a space for other uses, a door for
20 said compartment and a locking device located within the compartment and adapted to lock all the slides at one side of the center.

3. In a document case having horizontal series of pigeon holes, horizontal slides there-
25 for, a compartment at one side divided into

a space to receive the projected slides and another space for other purposes, and having a door to admit of access to it, and a locking bar having projections adapted to extend into the first named space and across the ends of
30 the adjacent slides.

4. In a document case having horizontal series of pigeon holes, a horizontal series of slides therefor, a lock for the slides located at the end of the case and consisting of a
35 slotted sliding bar having a projection or pin for each slide adjacent to it.

5. A document case having horizontal series of pigeon holes, and horizontal slides therefor, a locking bar having beveled pro-
40 jections or pins, the sliding of the bar being adapted to move the pins or projections more or less across the adjacent slide.

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

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