

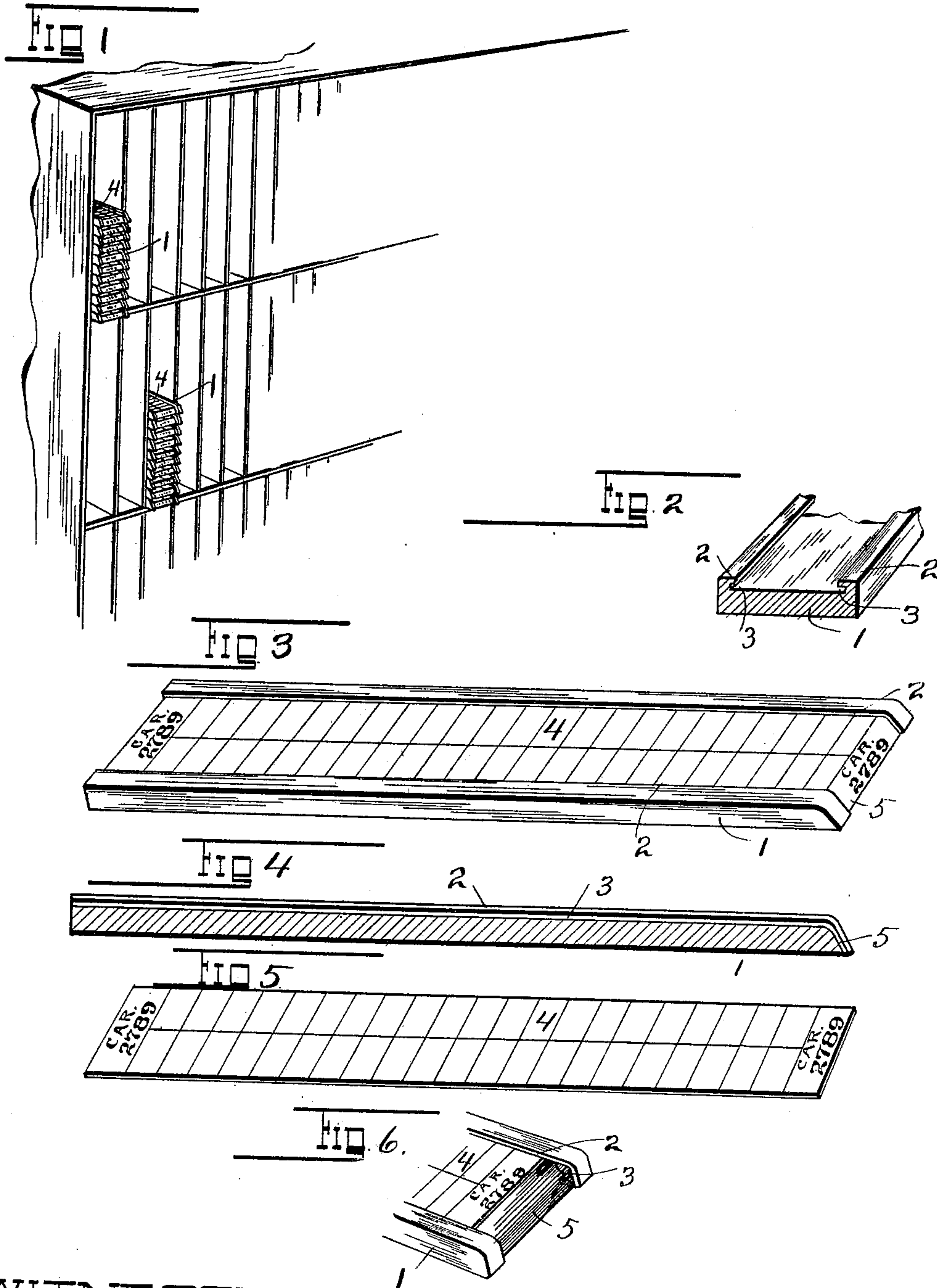
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, WILLIAM C. KEELER and FRANK P. BARR, citizens of the United States, residing at Canton, in the county of Stark and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Tablet-Holders; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, and to the figures of reference marked thereon, in which—

Figure 1 is a view showing a portion of a case illustrating tablet-holders located therein. Fig. 2 is a view showing a portion of the holder. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the tablet-holder, showing a tablet properly placed or connected thereto. Fig. 4 is a longitudinal section. Fig. 5 is a detached view of the tablet. Fig. 6 is a view showing the front end of the tablet-holder, also showing a portion of a tablet.

The present invention has relation to tablet-holders designed and calculated for use in keeping the individual record of cars; and it consists in the novel arrangement hereinafter described, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

Similar numerals represent corresponding parts in all the figures of the drawings.

In the accompanying drawings, 1 represents the block proper, which may be of any desired length or width, reference being had to convenience in handling and assembling the holders in a case such as illustrated or other proper receptacles. The upper face of the block 1 is provided with the flanges 2, which flanges should extend the entire length of the block 1, and, as shown, the flanges 2 are provided with the grooves 3, said grooves being located directly opposite each other and are for the purpose of receiving the edges of the tablet 4. The front end of the block is provided with the rounded or beveled portion 5 and the flanges 2, extended or formed upon said beveled portion, as illustrated in the drawings. The grooves 3 are also extended or formed in the flanges located upon the beveled end 5.

The object and purpose of extending the grooves 3 or forming said grooves in the beveled portion of the flanges is for the purpose

of guiding the tablet 4 so as to cause it to be bent down upon the beveled end.

The end or ends of the tablet are given a number, which number is to correspond with the number of the car of which the record is to be kept upon the tablet, or, in other words, each tablet is for a particular car, and upon such tablet the record of the car is to be kept, which record is to show or give the history of the movements and various locations of the car, and the block to which the tablet is connected is to be placed in a case, which may be arranged so that the various blocks can be easily and quickly located.

In connecting the tablet 4 it is entered into the grooves 3 at the rear end of the tablet and moved endwise until the front end of the tablet is brought down and over the beveled end 5.

It will be understood that by providing the flanges 2 said flanges will be extended a short distance above the grooves and also above the upper face of the tablet, by which arrangement a number of blocks provided with tablets can be placed one above the other, as illustrated in Fig. 1, without causing the bottom or under side of the block to strike or bear against the upper face of the tablet, by which arrangement the record will not be destroyed.

It will be understood that the tablets are to contain the record of the car represented by the tablet, which record consists in locating cars received at any station or siding, contents of car, to whom assigned, date to unload and release, and forwarded out by train or transferred, or, in other words, the record is to contain the full history of the car whether used by the home road or other roads or roads operated by different companies.

It will be understood that when a tablet has been filled it is to be removed and a new one put in place.

If desired, the grooves 3 can be formed of sufficient size to allow one or more tablets to be inserted in said grooves.

Having fully described our invention, what we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The combination of the block 1 provided with grooved flanges formed upon the sides thereof, and the beveled end provided with

grooved flanges, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

2. The combination of the block 1, flanges formed upon the block of a length to correspond substantially with the length of the block, grooves formed in the flanges, and one end of the block beveled and provided with grooved flanges, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

10 3. As an improved article of manufacture, a tablet-holder consisting of a block, grooved

flanges extending along the block, a beveled end having grooved flanges, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony that we claim the above we 15 have hereunto subscribed our names in the presence of two witnesses.

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