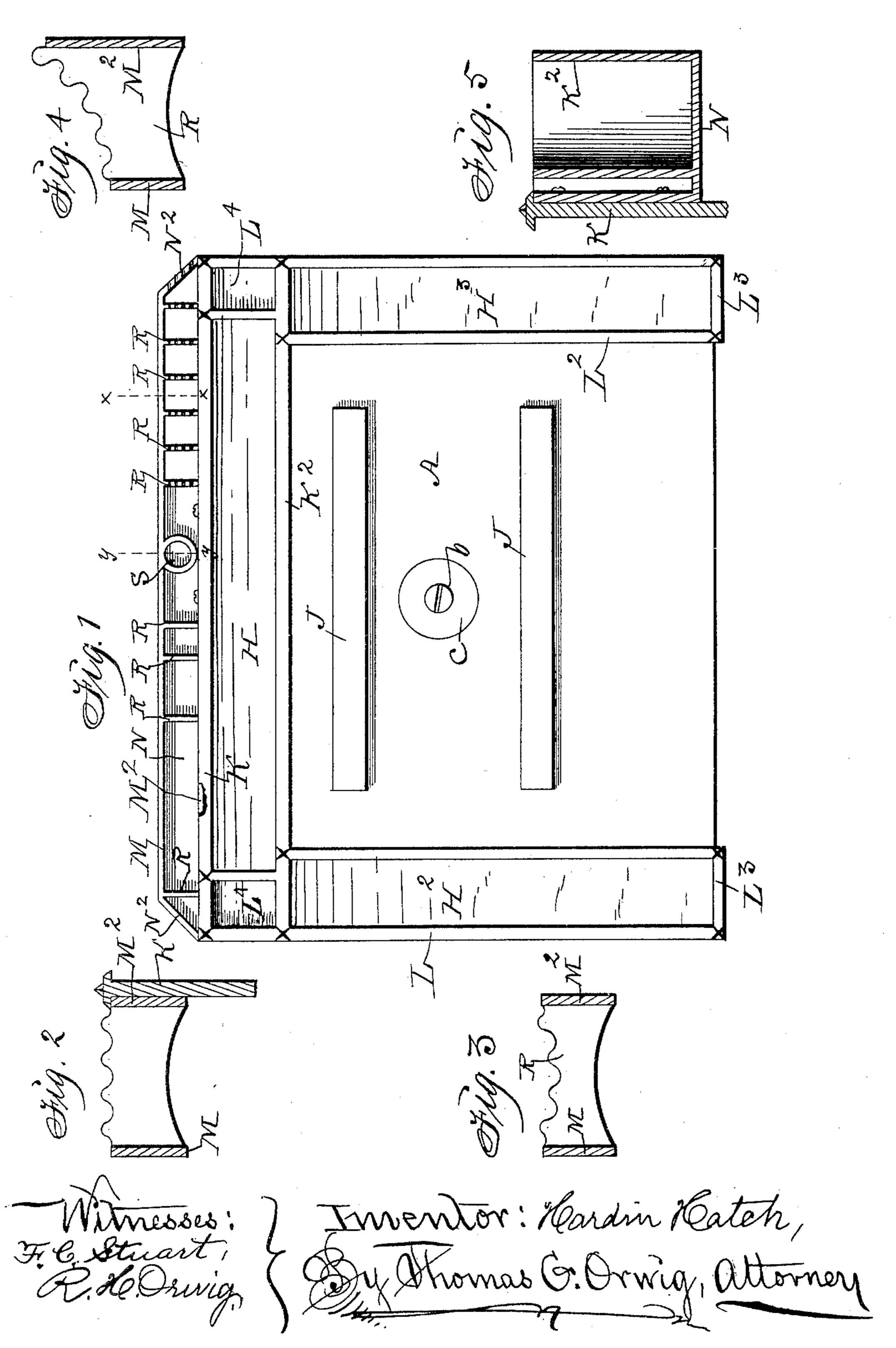
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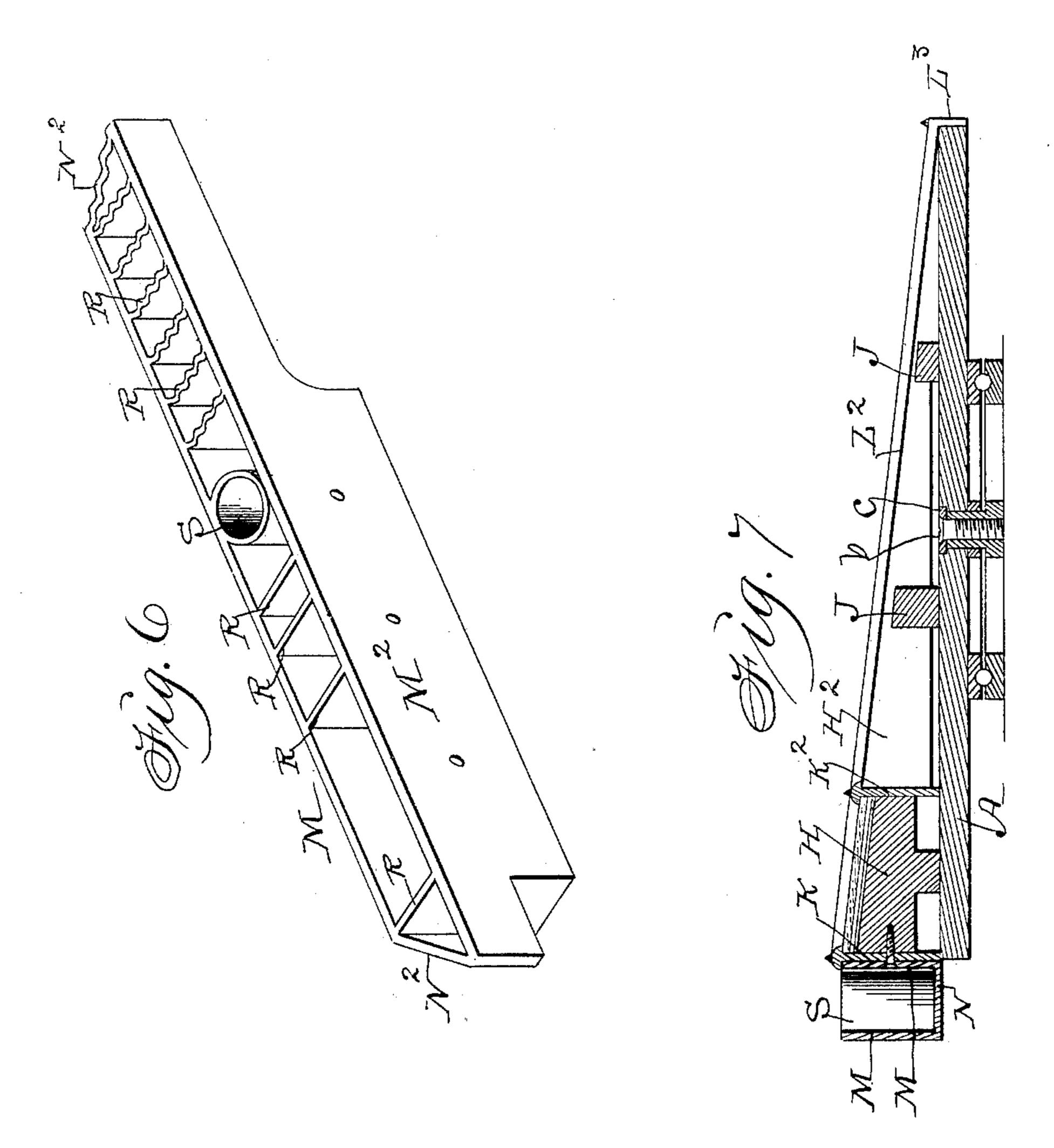
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HARDIN HATCH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Des Moines, in the county of Polk and State of Iowa, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Desks for Hotel-Registers, of which the fol-

lowing is a specification.

My invention is an improvement relating to the "advertising-desk for hotel-registers" for which Patent No. 652,225 was granted to me June 19, 1900; and it consists in the construction, arrangement, and combination of a pen-rack, a receptacle for an ink-well, and a plurality of pockets for articles of station-ery, with a movable skeleton metal frame, as hereinafter set forth, pointed out in my claim, and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a top view of the skeleton frame 20 and my improvement attached thereto as required for practical use. Fig. 2 is a sectional view on the dotted line x x in Fig. 1 and shows the top surface of the pen-rack practically level. Fig. 3 is a modification of Fig. 25 1 and shows the top surface concave. Fig. 4 shows the rear end of the pen-rack elevated and the top inclined forward and downward. Fig. 5 is a sectional view on the line y y of Fig. 1 and shows the manner of detachably 30 fastening the attachment to the rear face of the skeleton frame as required for practical use. Fig. 6 is a perspective view of the invention adapted to be attached to a desk; and Fig. 7 is a sectional view of a desk, showing 35 my improvement applied as required for practical use.

The letter A designates the flat wooden bottom of the book-support of the desk, connected with a turn-table (that is not shown) 40 by means of a screw b and washer c. A block H, that has an inclined top face adapted for placing an advertising-card thereon and the edges at its bottom rabbeted to reduce weight, is fixed on top of the rear end portion of the wooden bottom A. Blocks H² and H³, that taper from end to end to produce inclined faces for the reception of advertising-cards, are fixed on top of the bottom A at its edge portions to extend from the rear portion to 50 the front edge, as shown in Fig. 2. Bookrests J, having inclined top faces, are fixed across the top face of the bottom A, as required to support a hotel-register in an inclined position.

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portion of the three-sided skeleton frame, and L and L² are mating right-angled parallel extensions from the ends of the main portion. These extensions are also composed of mating sides connected at their inner ends 60 with the part K² and at their outer ends by cross-pieces L³.

The parallel outsides of the ends of the complete frame taper downward from the rear edge to the front cross-bars L.

At the corners of the frame are deep pockets L⁴, adapted for placing mail-matter, &c.,

therein.

M and M² are the parallel sides of an auxiliary frame, adapted to be fixed to the rear 70 face of the part K of the main frame by means of screws. They are rigidly connected by an integral bottom N and inclined ends N², a plurality of transverse partitions R, that divide the space between them to produce 75 pockets of different length adapted to retain letter-paper, envelops, and other articles. At one end portion of the auxiliary frame the partitions are provided with a plurality of concaves in their top surfaces to adapt 80 them to serve as a pen-rack.

At the central portion of the auxiliary frame is an integral ink-well S or receptacle adapted for retaining an ink-well securely.

It is obvious that the pockets for station- 85 ery, the pen-rack, and the ink-well constructed and applied to the main skeleton frame will be greatly advantageous to a hotel-clerk and guests who have access thereto.

Having thus described my invention and 90 its purposes, the practical utility thereof will be readily understood by persons familiar with the art to which it pertains, and what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters

Patent, is—

The skeleton frame consisting of two parallel sides, an integral bottom at one end portion of the parallel sides, inclined vertical ends at the parallel sides, transverse partitions integral with the parallel sides and the roc bottom and transverse vertical partitions integral with the parallel sides and provided with concaves in their top edges to adapt them to serve as pen-racks, as shown and described for the purposes stated.

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