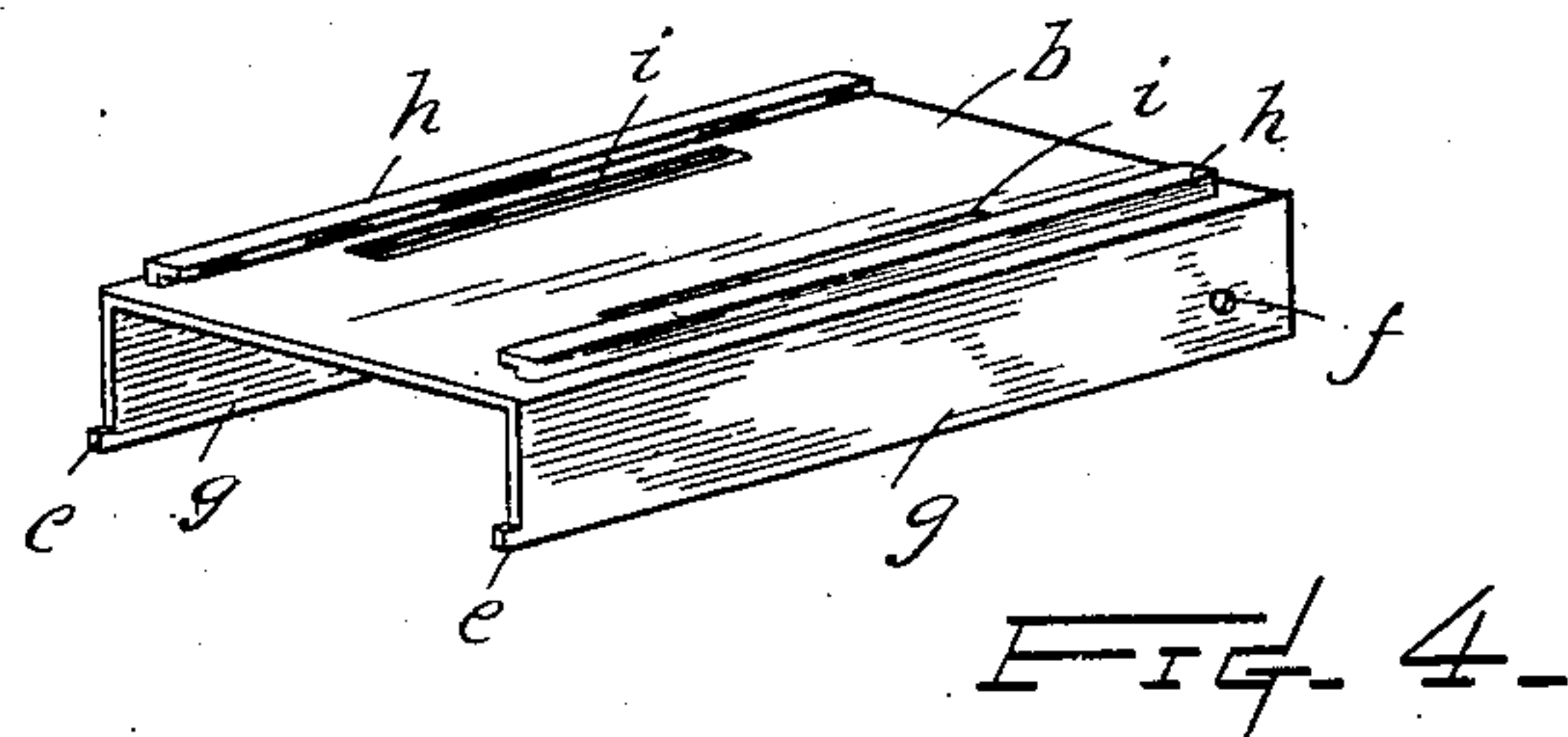
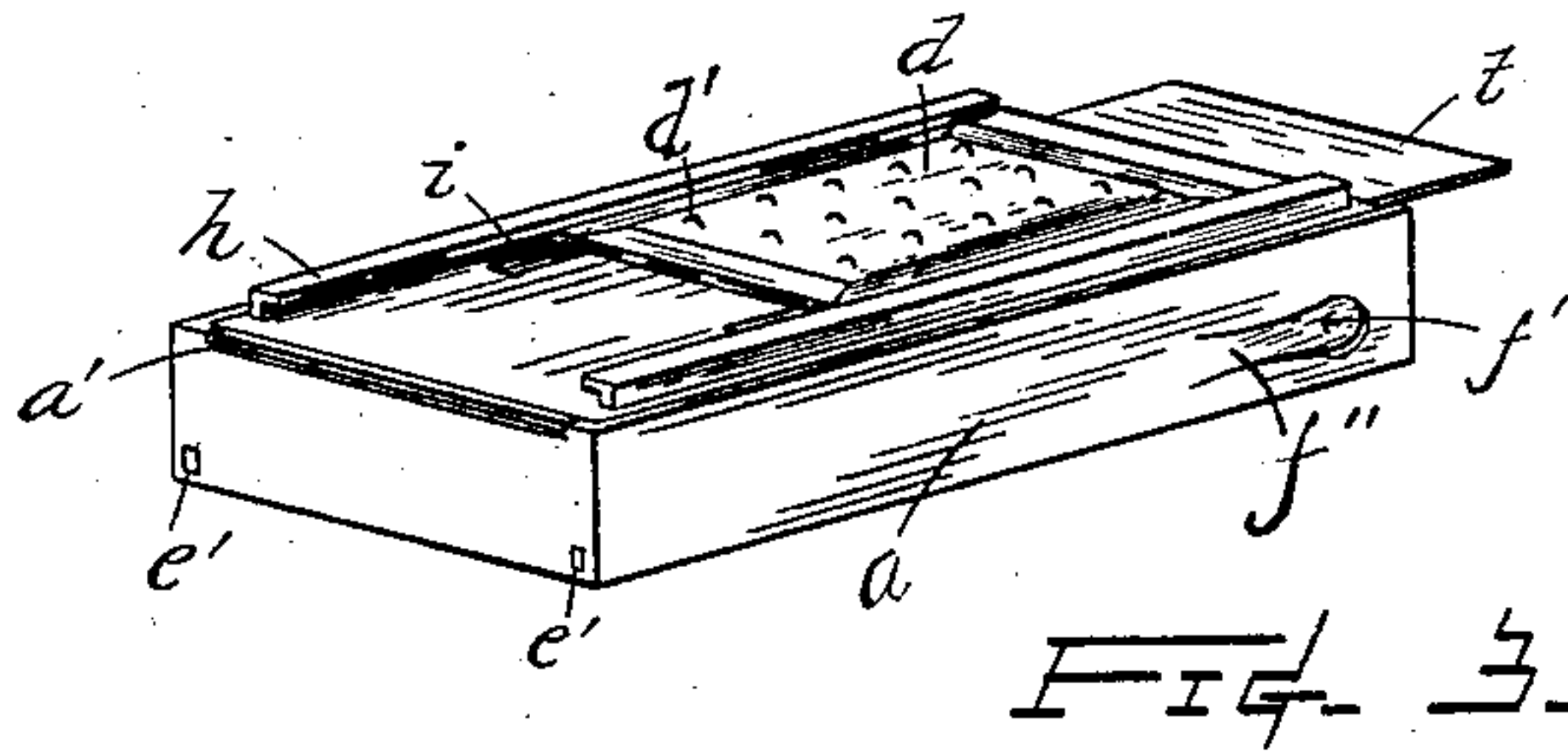
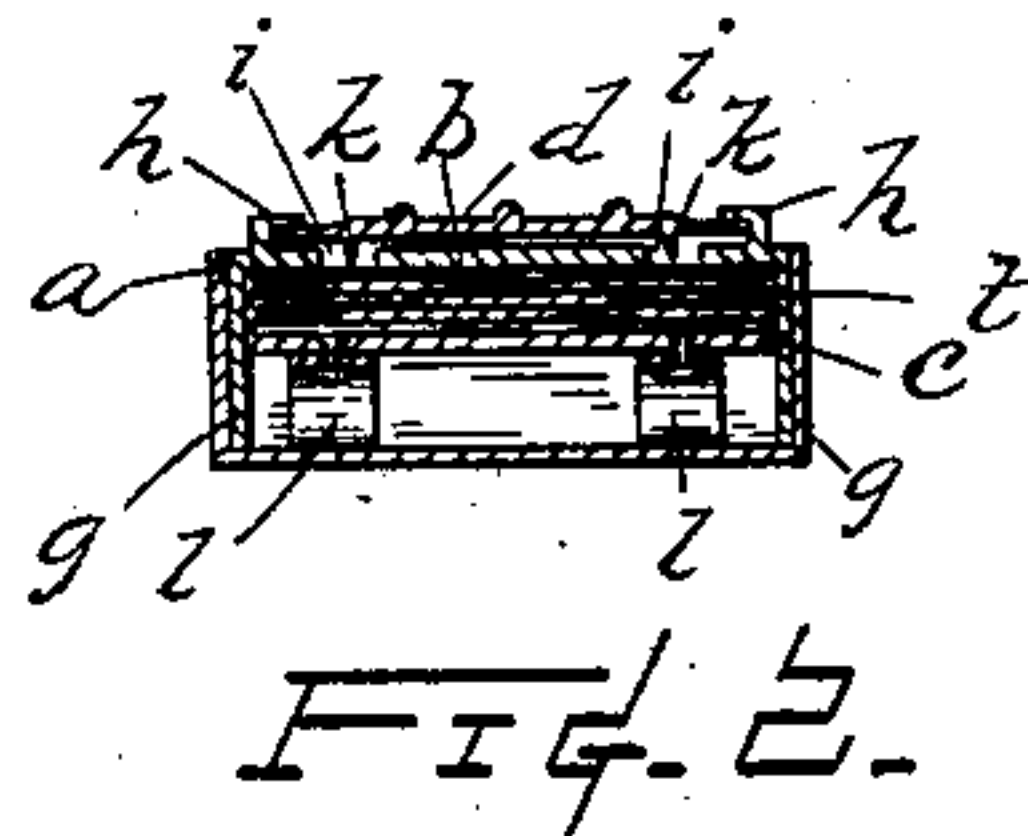
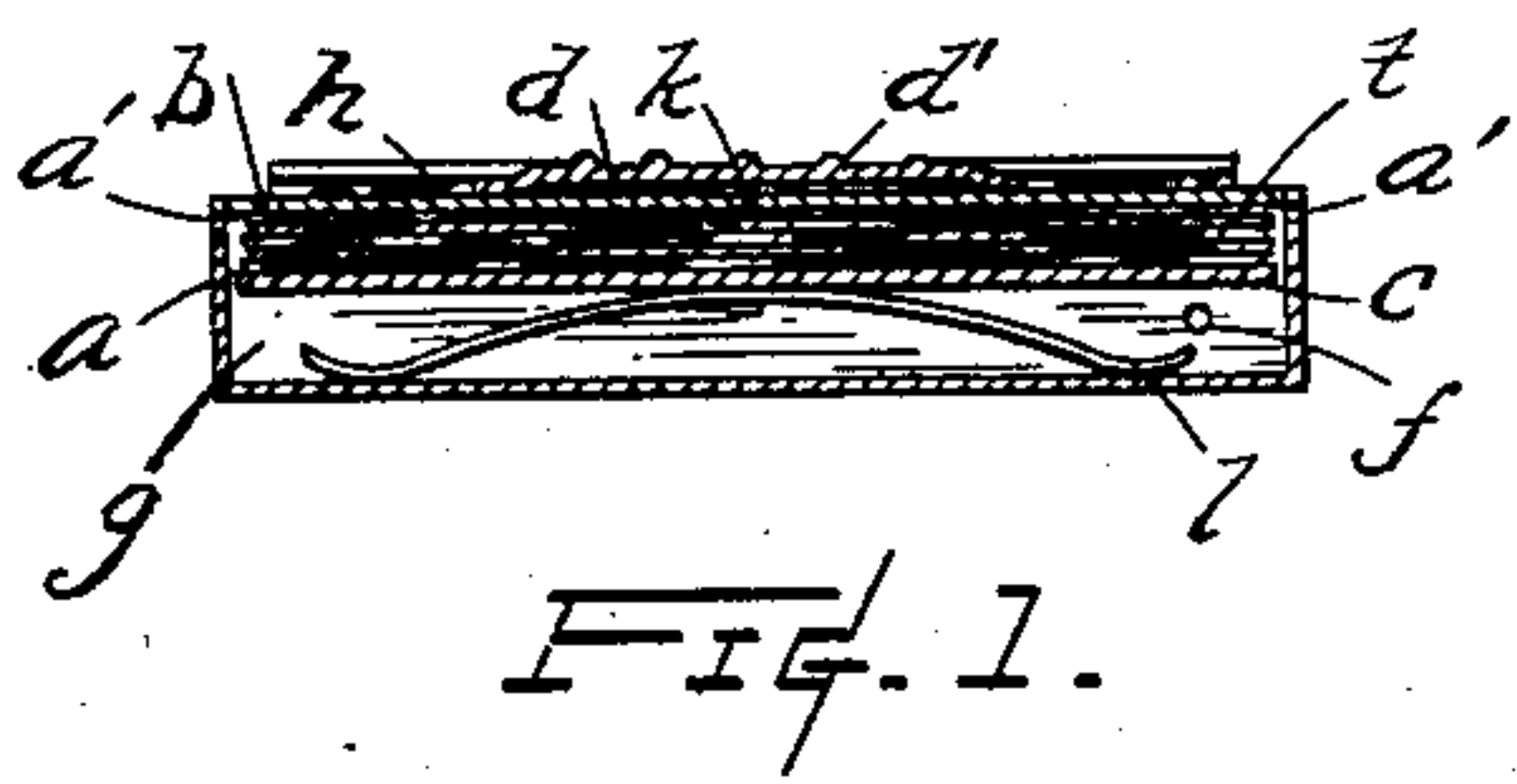


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ARTHUR L. JOHNSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Seattle, in the county of King, in the State of Washington, have invented a new and useful Ticket or Card Holder, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in ticket and card holders for holding railway tickets, business and calling cards, &c., which can be ejected singly from either of the ends by a sliding ejector operated by the thumb or finger; and the objects of my invention are, first, to produce a holder of few and simple parts; second, to produce a holder from which contents can be ejected from either end; third, a positive ejector which can be worked to either end for ejecting or drawing tickets, &c., back into position in the holder. I attain these objects by the mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a central vertical longitudinal section, and Fig. 2 is a central transverse vertical section, of a ticket-holder embodying my improvements. Figs. 3 and 4 are perspective views of the holder complete and one of the parts thereof, respectively.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

The word "ticket" for convenience of description will be used throughout to represent tickets, calling and business cards, &c.

The holder comprises an outer case *a*, an inner case *b*, ticket-hoist *c*, and a slidable ejector *d*. The outer case is open at the top and is adapted to receive the inner case, which closes up said open top to form a box-shaped holder. The inner case is secured in place by lugs *e*, engaging with correspondingly-shaped apertures *e'* of the outer case, and latches *f''*, each having an inwardly-projecting stud *f'*, which register with perforations *f* of pendent sides of the inner casing. The ticket-hoist is mounted on springs *l*, which exert an upward pressure to the tickets *t* and present them successively against under surface of inner casing *b* and in position immediately in front of openings *a'* of the outer casing. The ejector is a resilient plate with its ends turned down to form bearings on which it slides, and is further provided with sharp points projecting downwardly, as shown

by *k* in Figs. 1 and 2. A still further provision is made on ejector, (shown by *d'*, Figs. 1 and 3,) in the form of raised points to afford a rough-
ened thumb or finger bearing surface in actu-
ating said ejector. In operating the ejector
a downward pressure thereon forces points *k*
to engage the uppermost ticket *t*, Figs. 1 and
2, and a further pressure toward either end
projects the engaged ticket through opening *a'*
of the outer case. Again with the downward
pressure upon the ejector removed the points
k thereof are disengaged and the ticket pre-
sented may be drawn out by hand or the ejec-
tor may again be engaged with the ticket be-
ing acted on at a point farther within the
holder and force it still farther out, or said
ejector may be used to draw the partially-
ejected ticket *t*, Fig. 3, back into its former
position in the holder.

The inner casing, Fig. 4, is preferably formed with open ends and pendent sides *g* to confine the contained tickets and afford perfectly smooth guiding-surfaces for the ticket operated upon, especially in the angles formed by the intersection of *b* and *g g*, which, if formed by hinged or sliding lid or top, would leave joints at said angles more or less open and furnish a resistance to tickets while being ejected. The top of inner casing is provided with ways *h h*, Fig. 4, through which ejector is actuated, and two slots *i i*, through which points *k* of said ejector project. The aforesaid latches are preferably formed by punching tongue-shaped strips in the side walls of the outer casing from the outside. The studs *f'* of the said tongues are formed by punching a portion of the metal inwardly from the outer surface.

I am aware that prior to my invention ticket-holders have been made of the combination of an outer casing, spring-carrier, and sliding ticket-feed. I therefore do not claim such a combination, broadly; but

What I do claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A ticket-holder comprising an outer casing having openings at each end thereof, spring-latch tongues formed in the sides of said casing, an inner casing open at both ends adapted to be secured within the outer casing by said spring-latches, the top of said inner casing having ways formed thereon and slots

extending therethrough, a resilient ticket-ejector slidingly mounted in said ways, projections on said ejector adapted to extend through the slots in the inner casing to engage the tickets, and means for hoisting the tickets for engagement by the ejector, substantially as described.

2. A ticket-holder comprising, an outer casing provided with openings at each end thereof, spring-latch tongues formed in the sides of the said casing, studs mounted on the ends of said tongues, an inner casing to fit within said outer casing and having openings therein for receiving the studs on the said tongues, ways formed on the top of said inner casing, said top having slots extending therethrough,

a resilient ticket-ejector slidingly mounted in the ways on the inner casing, downwardly-extending pivoted projections, on said ejector adapted to slide in the slots of the inner casing and upon depressing said resilient ejector, to engage the tickets in the holder, and means arranged in the inner casing for forcing the tickets upwardly into engagement with the ejector projections, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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