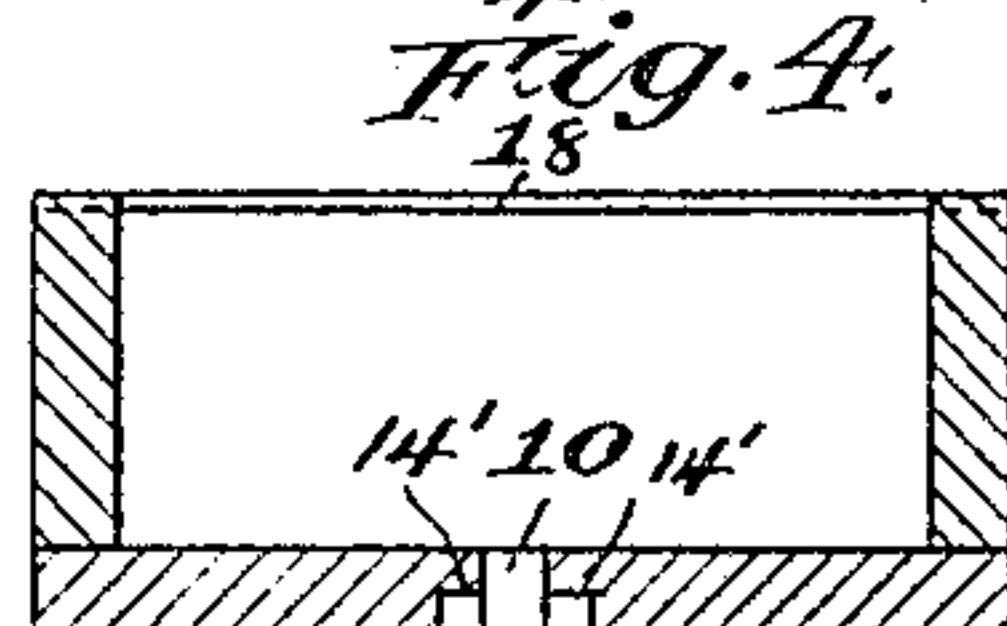
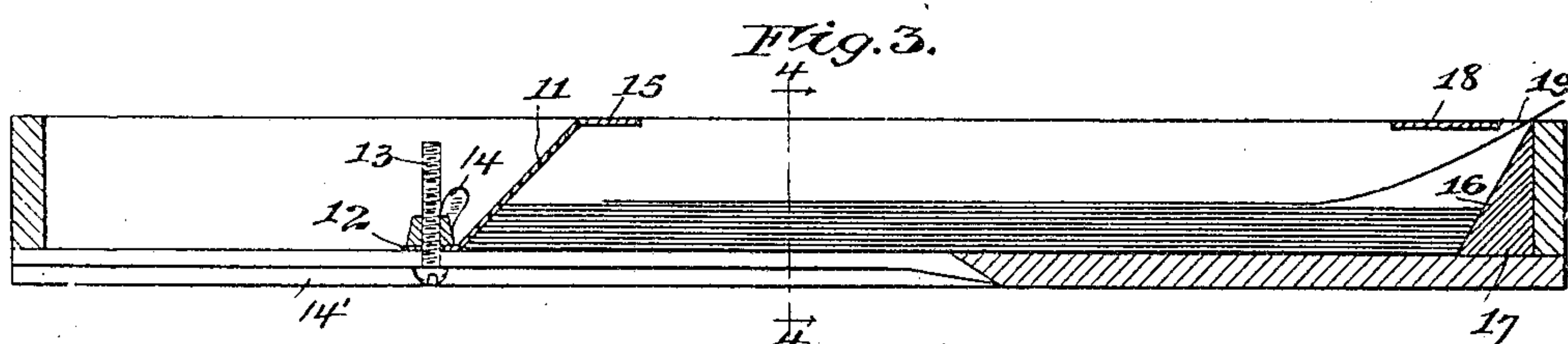
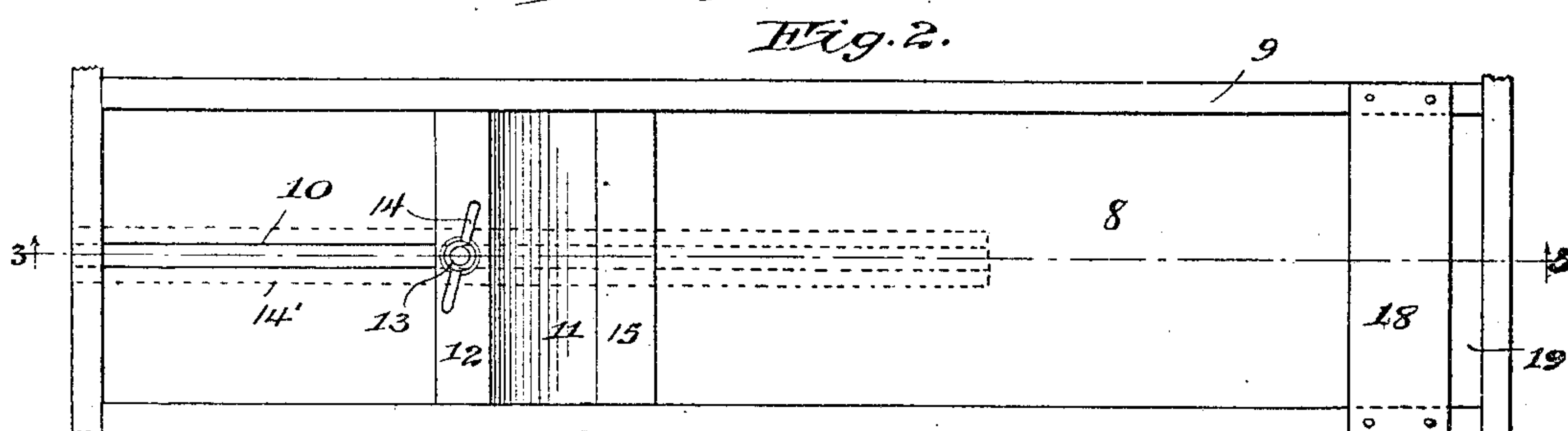
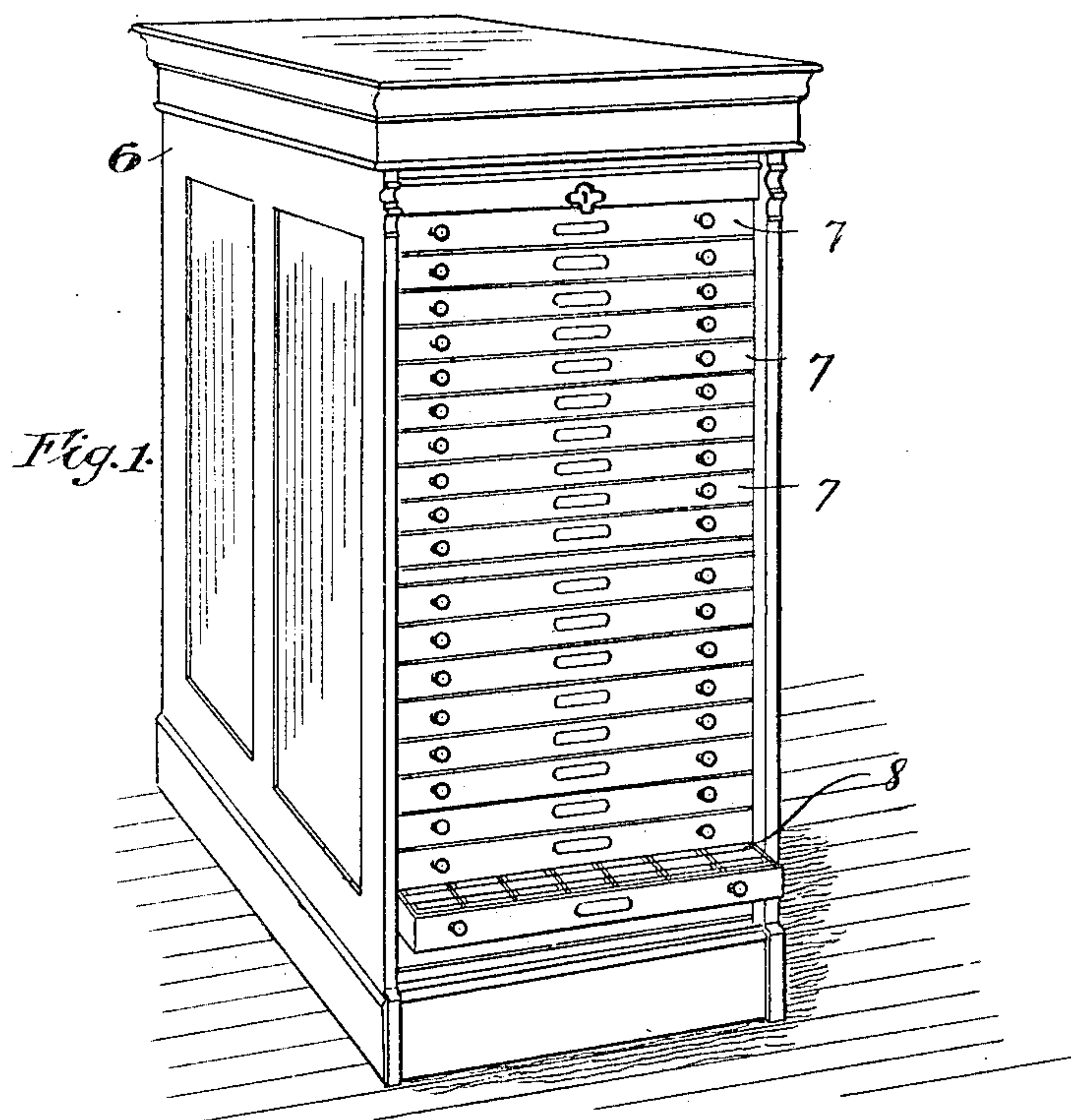


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALBERT HENRY REINHARDT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Ticket-Filing Cases, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in ticket-filing cases; and it has for its principal object to provide a ticket-case in which the tickets are arranged in horizontally or substantially horizontally disposed drawers and lie flatly therein, each drawer preferably comprising a plurality of compartments of suitable size to accommodate tickets of approximately standard width; to provide in a device of the character referred to an improved construction in the compartments which enables the tickets to be closely confined, so that the drawer may be jerked into open or closed position without disarranging the tickets and which at the same time affords great facility in separating out and removing tickets one by one; to provide in such a construction an improved form of follower whereby the length of the ticket-space may be instantly changed to accommodate tickets of different lengths; to provide a construction which facilitates the separating and guiding out of the tickets one by one as they are removed from the drawer, but nevertheless does not practically interfere with the return of the tickets to place, and, in general, to provide a simple and improved construction of the character referred to.

To the above ends the invention consists in the matters hereinafter described, and more particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

The invention will be readily understood from the following description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the filing cabinet or case embodying the invention. Fig. 2 is a top or plan view of one compartment of one of the drawers. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal section taken on line 3 3 of Fig. 2, tickets being shown in position in the compartment. Fig. 4 is a transverse section taken on line 4 4 of Fig. 3.

Referring to the drawings, 6 designates as a whole a filing case or cabinet, which may be of any suitable and preferred construction, and 7 designates a plurality of sliding drawers arranged therein in a common manner. In practice each drawer 7 is divided into compartments of a width corresponding approximately to the width of the railway-tickets and of a length equal to the depth of the drawer, the several compartments being indicated by the numeral 8 in Fig. 1 and a single one of such compartments shown in detail in Fig. 2. The drawer may be divided into such compartments in any suitable manner—as, for instance, by wood partitions 9, arranged to extend parallel with each other at suitable intervals apart. The bottom of the drawer is provided with a centrally-disposed longitudinally-extending slot 10, which extends from the rear end of the drawer forwardly to a point distant from the front end of the drawer somewhat less than the length of the shortest ticket which would be ordinarily used.

11 designates a sheet-metal follower, which is of a width slightly less than the internal width of the compartment 8 and connected to slide adjustably therein. To this end the lower edge of the follower terminates in a flat slide portion 12, through which is inserted a clamping-screw 13, provided with a thumb-nut 14, the headed lower end of the screw being arranged to extend through the slot 10. In order that the head of the screw may be flush with the bottom surface of the drawer, the slot 10 is rabbeted at each side, as indicated at 14. The follower 11 is shaped to extend obliquely upwardly and forwardly or toward the front end of the drawer throughout the depth of the latter and terminates at its upper edge in an overhanging ledge portion 15.

The inner surface of the front end wall of the drawer is made upwardly and forwardly inclined, as indicated at 16, this end being conveniently achieved by inserting a triangular filling-block 17 in the front end of each compartment. Across the front end of each compartment is secured a confining-strip 18, the front edge of which is so disposed as to form, in conjunction with the front wall of the drawer, a transverse slot 19 of sufficient

width to permit a ticket to slip through end-wise with perfect freedom, yet serving to prevent the escape of the tickets unless they are bent by applying pressure of the fingers there-
5 to, as shown approximately in Fig. 3.

The use of the device is obvious; but it is to be noted that the overlying ledge and inclined wall of the follower 11, acting in conjunction with the overlying strip 18, serve to
10 confine the tickets perfectly against being displaced by sudden movements of the drawer. At the same time the inclined inner front walls of the compartments act as guides to direct the tickets out one at a time in a
15 familiar manner. The adjustability of the follower enables the tickets to be accurately confined by adjusting the follower to the length of the particular pack or lot contained in the compartment. Inasmuch as the han-
20 dling of tickets usually necessitates that they be handled with extreme rapidity, it will be seen that a device embodying my invention possesses great utility. The drawers may be
25 jerked open and slammed shut with impunity and any given ticket selected and removed with the utmost expediency and without likelihood of picking up or removing more than one at a time.

The invention extends to both the generic
30 and specific features.

I claim as my invention—

1. In a ticket-case, a sliding drawer, a compartment therein provided at its front end with an upwardly and forwardly sloping end
35 wall, and a guard extending across the compartment adjacent to said inclined front wall

and forming in conjunction with the latter a delivery-slot.

2. A ticket-case provided with a sliding drawer interiorly divided into fore and aft 40 extending compartments, the front end walls of said compartments being interiorly upwardly and forwardly inclined, guard-strips arranged to overlie said compartments adjacent to said inclined front end walls, and fol- 45 lowers adjustably secured in the several compartments.

3. In combination with a ticket-drawer, a follower consisting of a plate provided with a base portion slidably resting upon, and ad- 50 justably secured to the bottom wall of the drawer and extending thence at an incline upwardly and forwardly throughout the principal depth of the drawer and terminating at its upper edge in a horizontally-extending 55 overhanging ledge.

4. In combination with the drawer of a ticket-case provided with a slot extending from front to rear, a follower consisting of a sheet-metal plate having a slide portion rest- 60 ing upon the bottom of the drawer, an upwardly and forwardly inclined confining portion and an overhanging ledge portion, and means for adjustably securing said follower comprising a clamping-screw extending 65 through the slide portion of the follower and engaging the slot of the drawer and a thumb-nut upon said screw.

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