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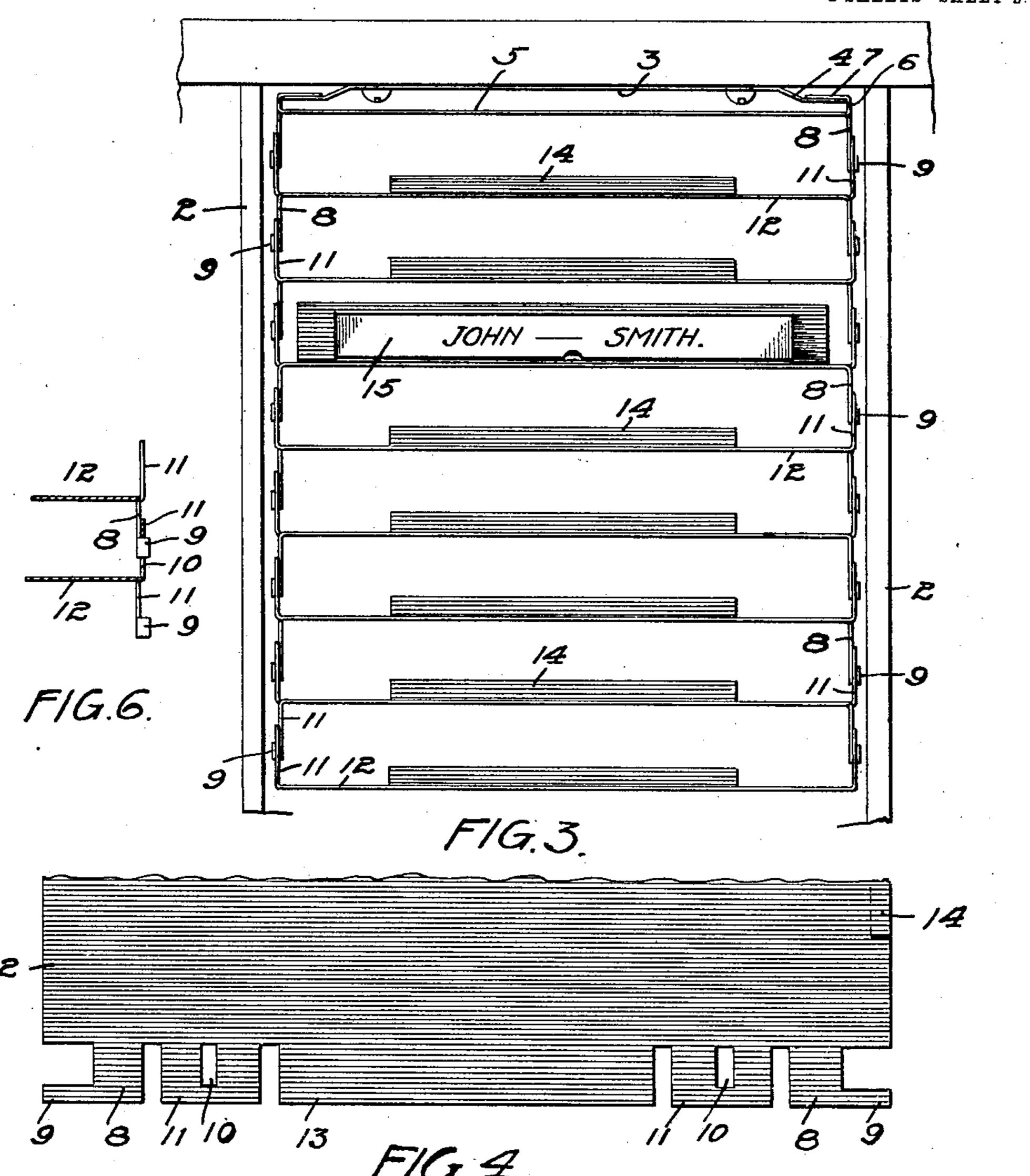
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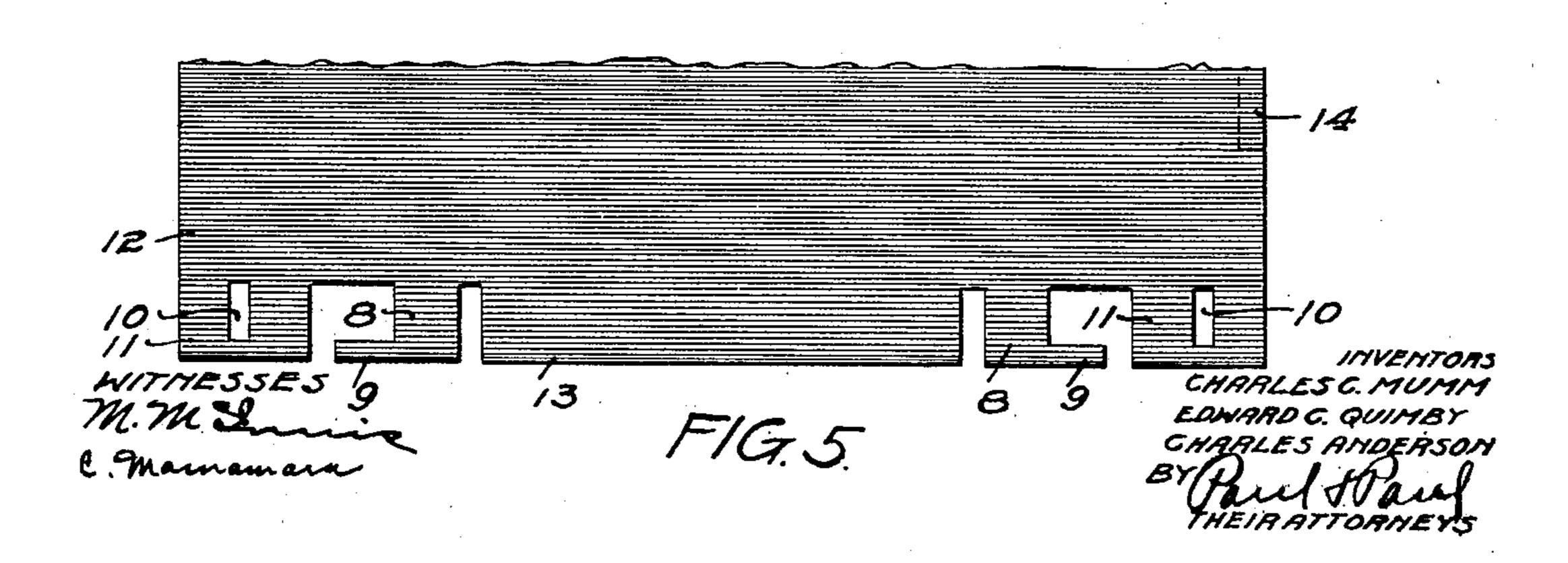
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, Charles C. Mumm, Edward C. Quimby, and Charles Anderson, citizens of the United States, and residents of Minneapolis, Hennepin county, Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cases for Duplicate-Sale-Slip Files, of which the following is a specification.

The object of our invention is to provide a case in which a number of files for duplicate sale-slips can be kept and easily and quickly transferred from the safe to the bookkeeper's desk at the beginning of the day's business and returned to the safe at the close of the day's business.

A further object is to provide a case that is capable of being partially collapsed, so that it will occupy less space vertically in the safe or vault and will not be increased in length by the collapsing or contracting operation.

Other objects of the invention will appear from the following detailed description.

The invention consists generally in a case composed of a series of pockets that have a sliding connection with one another to allow the case to be extended and conveniently used during the day and contracted into a compact form preparatory to being placed in the safe or vault at night.

Further, the invention consists in various constructions and combinations, all as hereinafter described, and particularly pointed

out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, Figure 1 is a side elevation of the collapsible case, showing the manner of supporting the same beneath a shelf or within a suitable receptacle on the bookkeeper's desk. Fig. 2 is a similar view showing the position assumed by the case when placed within a pigeonhole in the safe or vault, the walls of the pigeonhole being indicated in section. Fig. 3 is a front view of the case in suspended position ready for use. Figs. 4 and 5 are details of the relationship.

Figs. 4 and 5 are details of the plates of which the case-sections are composed. Fig. 6 is a detail sectional view illustrating the manner of connecting the sections or pockets of the 5° case together.

In the drawings, 2 represents a suitable receptacle usually placed on the bookkeeper's desk and having a pigeonhole into which the

case is inserted preparatory to the day's business, the top of the receptacle being provided 55 with a plate 3, having downwardly-bent edges 4, whereon the case is suspended. The case is made up of a series of pockets arranged one above another and a top plate 5, provided on each side with vertical flanges 6, 60 having inwardly-turned edges 7, that are inserted between the edges 4 and the top of the receptacle. The plate 5 is preferably composed of sheet metal and, in addition to the upwardly-turned flanges 6, is provided with 65 depending ears 8 on each side and near each end, said ears having horizontal lugs 9 formed thereon that are adapted to enter and slide within vertical slots 10, provided in ears 11, that are turned upwardly from the edges of 70 the plate 12 next beneath, said plate 12 forming the bottom of the first pocket of the series. The pockets, as well as the plate 5, are all stamped out of sheet metal. The plate 12 is also provided with side and end flanges 75 13 and 14, which act, respectively, as guides and a stop for the sale-slip file 15 when it is inserted into the pocket. The flange 14, as shown in Fig. 1, is located at the inner or rear end only of the plate to form a stop at that 80 point, the opposite end being unobstructed to permit the convenient insertion or removal of the file. The slots 10 are of sufficient length to allow a free sliding movement of the lugs 9 therein and permit the plate 12 to drop 85 by gravity away from the top of the case when it is hung in the pigeonhole and increase the depth of the pocket preparatory to using, or to be moved toward the top of the case and decrease the depth of the pocket, so that it 90 will occupy less space when placed in the safe or vault for the night.

In addition to the ears 11 the plate 12 is also provided with depending ears 8, corresponding to those first described, but offset 95 with respect thereto, and the plate forming the bottom of the pocket next below the plate 12 is provided with upwardly-turned ears corresponding to the ears 11, but located at one side thereof opposite the depending ears on the plate 12. This construction is carried out in a similar manner to the bottom of the case, each pocket being like the preceding one, except that the upwardly-turned ears and the depending ones are alternately arranged, the ears on one plate being out of

line with those on the contiguous plate, but in line with the second ones above and below. The effect of this construction is to allow a partial collapse of the case and permit it to be inserted into a much smaller vertical space in the safe than it normally occupies while in use during the day, and at the same time the ends of the pockets remain in alinement with one another when expanded or contracted.

10 As many of the pockets or sections can be used as are necessary to form a case of the desired size to suit the needs of each merchant's business and the accommodations for the case in the safe.

We claim as our invention—

1. A case for duplicate-sale-slip files comprising a series of pockets each composed of a sheet-metal plate having depending and upwardly-extending ears, some of said ears having vertical slots to receive horizontal tongues provided on the contiguous ears, and said tongues having a limited vertical movement in said slots to allow the said pockets to be increased or decreased in depth, for the purpose specified.

2. A case for duplicate-sale-slip files, comprising a series of sheet-metal plates having upwardly and downwardly turned ears, the ears of one plate having a sliding connection with the oppositely-extending ears of the contiguous plate to allow the expansion and contraction of the case, substantially as de-

scribed.

3. A case for duplicate-sale-slip files, comprising a series of sheet-metal sections, having upwardly - extending flanges forming guides for the files, and a series of upwardly and downwardly turned ears, the ears of one section having a sliding connection with the oppositely-arranged ears of the contiguous section, for the purpose set forth.

4. A case for duplicate-sale-slip files, comprising a series of sheet-metal sections or pockets having guiding means for files placed

therein, each section having a sliding connection with the contiguous section to allow the expansion or contraction of the case and the ends of said sections remaining in vertical alinement with one another during such expansion and contraction, substantially as described.

5. The combination, with a receptacle 2 having a top provided with a plate 3 with downwardly-bent edges 4, of a file-case composed of a series of sections or pockets fitting 55 within said receptacle, each section having a sliding connection with the contiguous section whereby either the contraction or expansion of the case is permitted, and the upper section of the series having means to engage 60 the said edges 4 and support said case within said receptacle, substantially as described.

6. A case for duplicate-sale-slip files comprising a series of pockets arranged one above another and having guides and stops for the 65 files placed therein, each section having a sliding connection with the contiguous one to allow the expansion and contraction of the case, the ends of said pockets remaining in vertical alinement with each other during 70 such movement, substantially as described.

7. A case for duplicate-sale-slip files comprising a series of pockets having guiding means for files placed therein, each pocket having a sliding connection with the contiguous one in a direction substantially at right angles to the plane of the same to allow the expansion or contraction of the case, substantially as described.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set 80 our hands this 15th day of February, 1905.

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