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Fig. 1

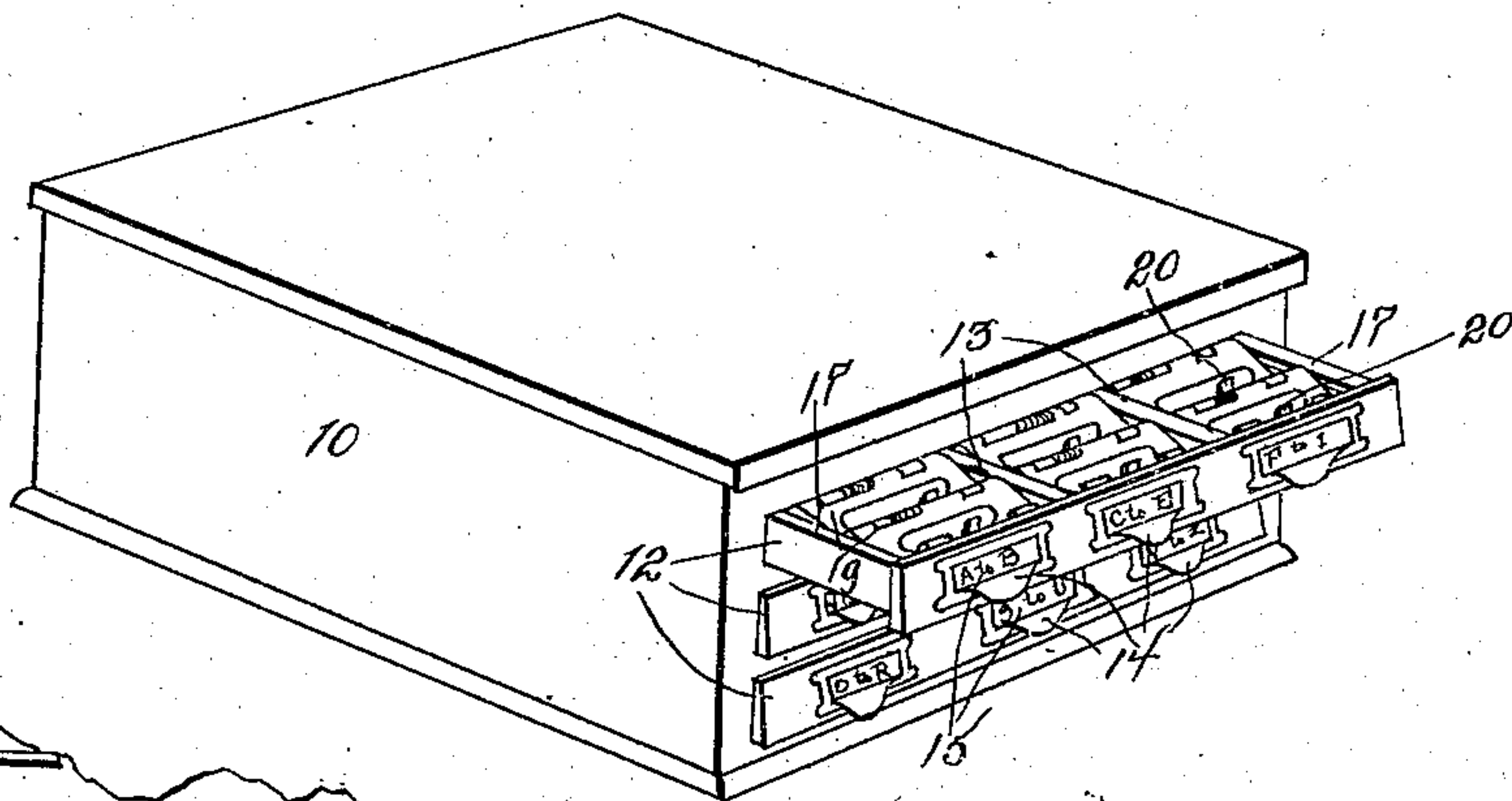


Fig. 2

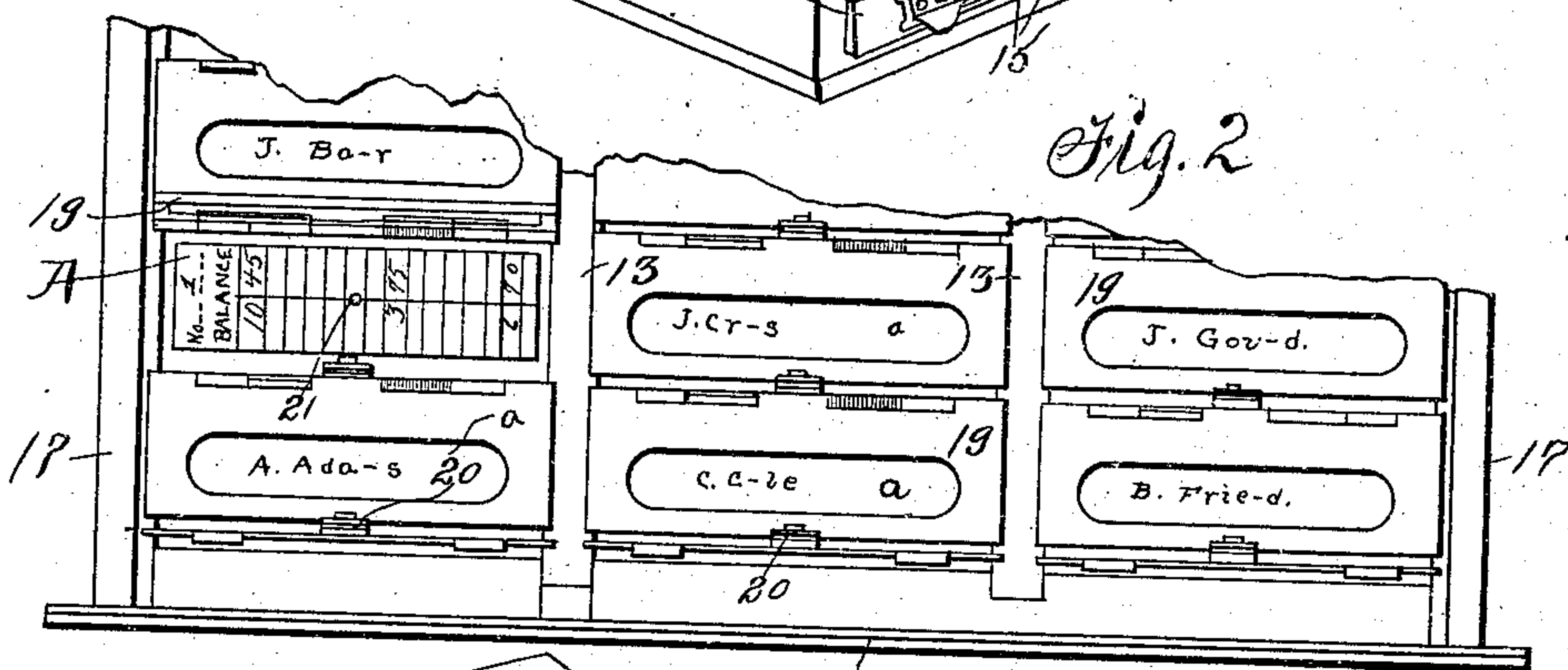


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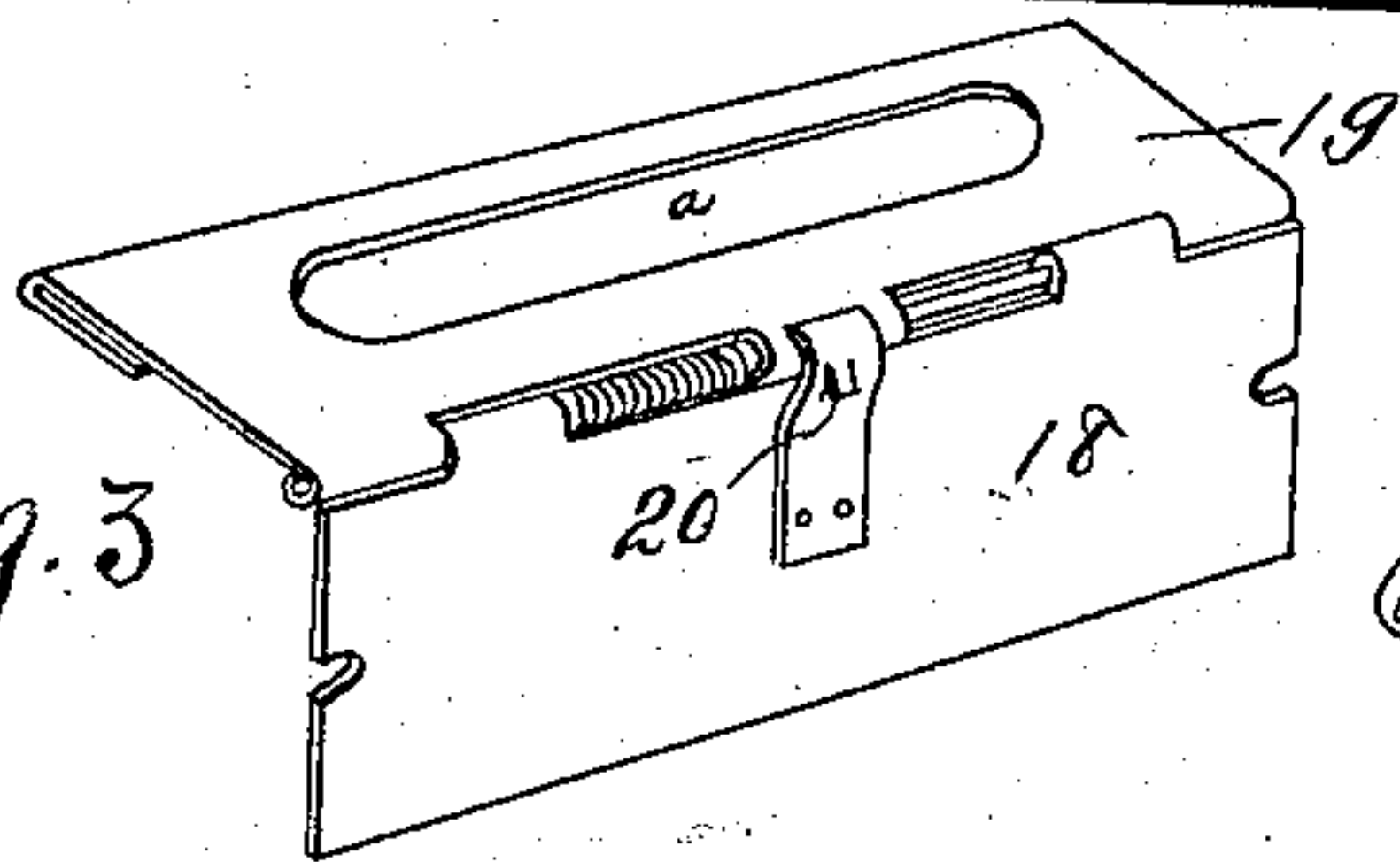


Fig. 4

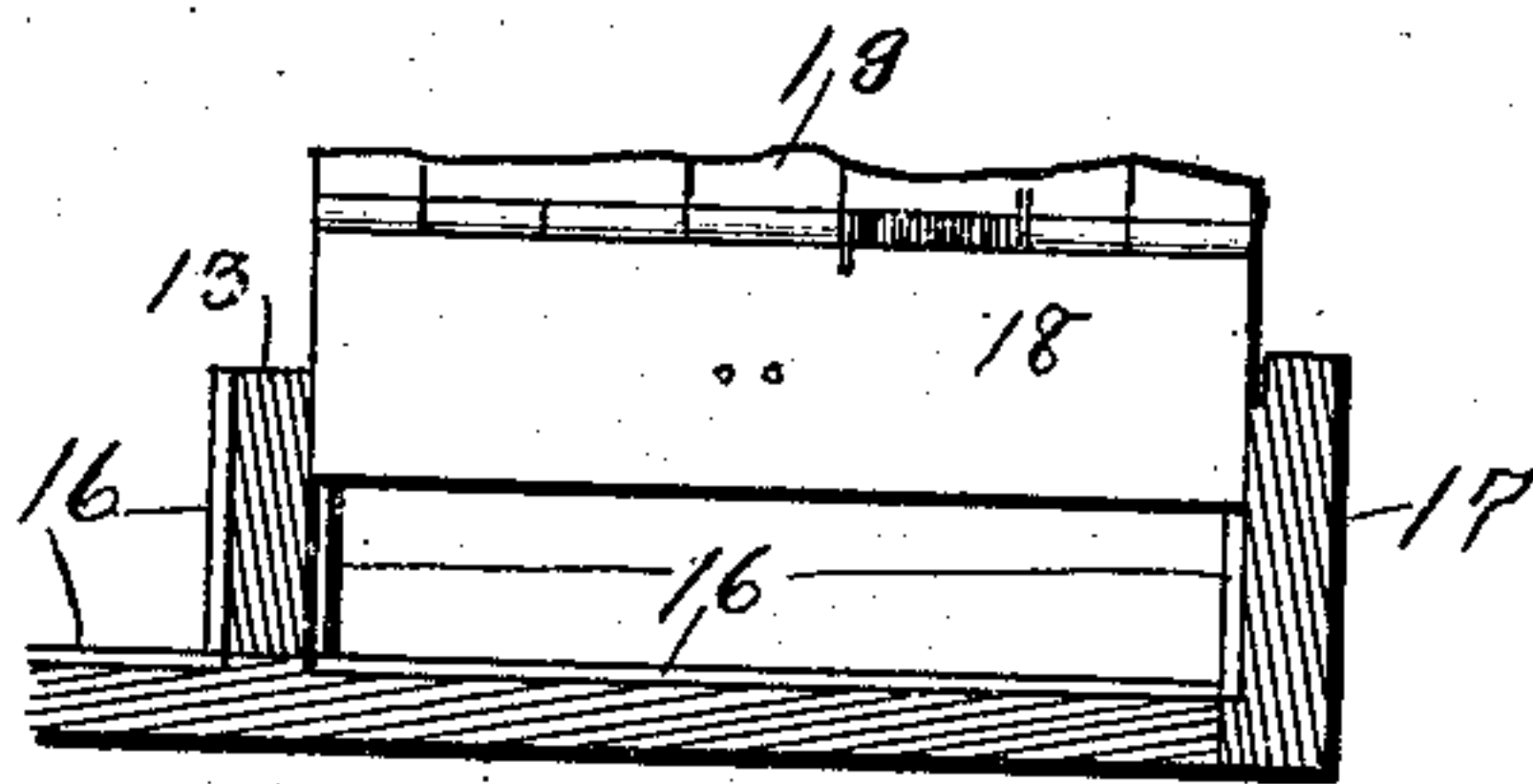


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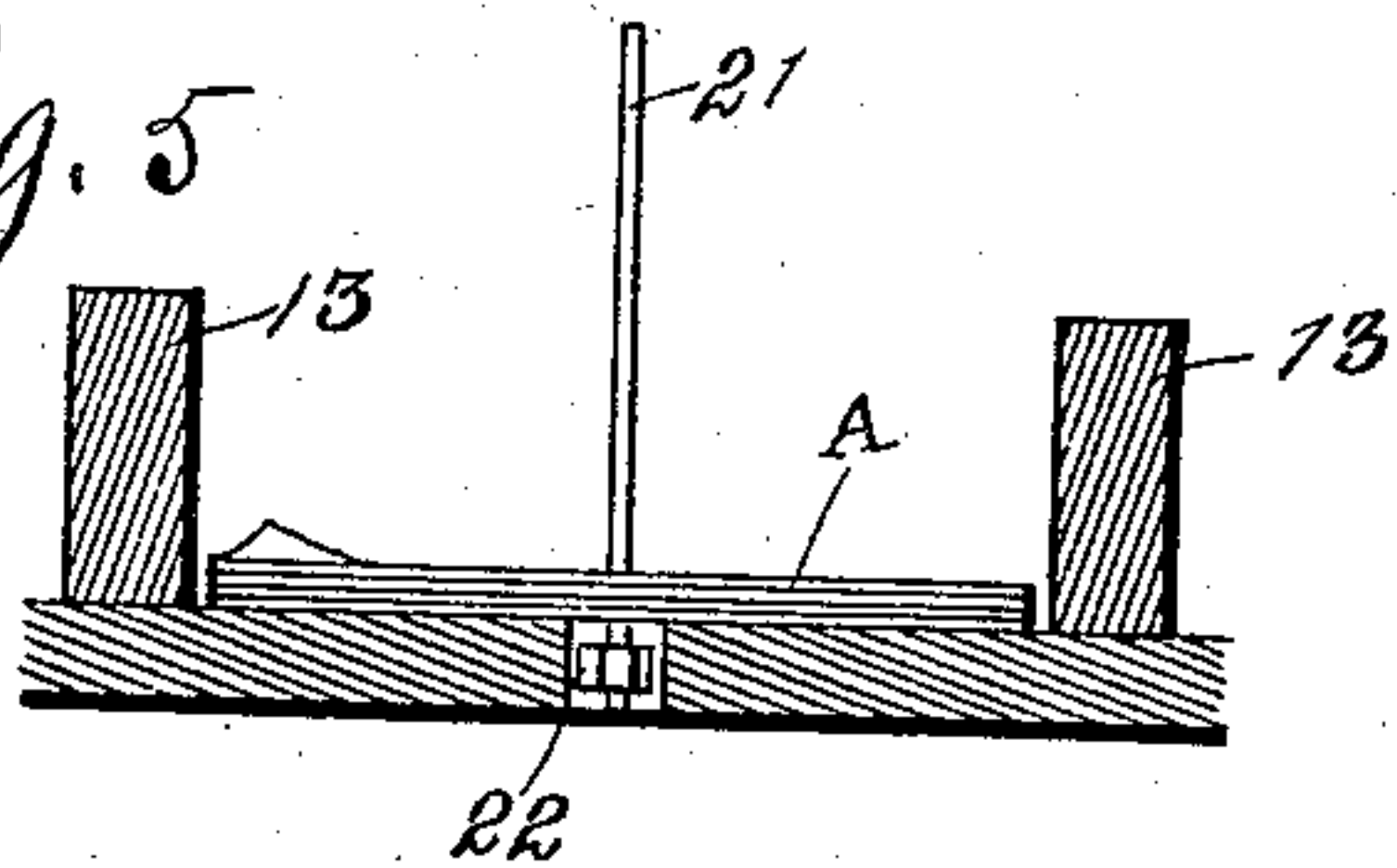
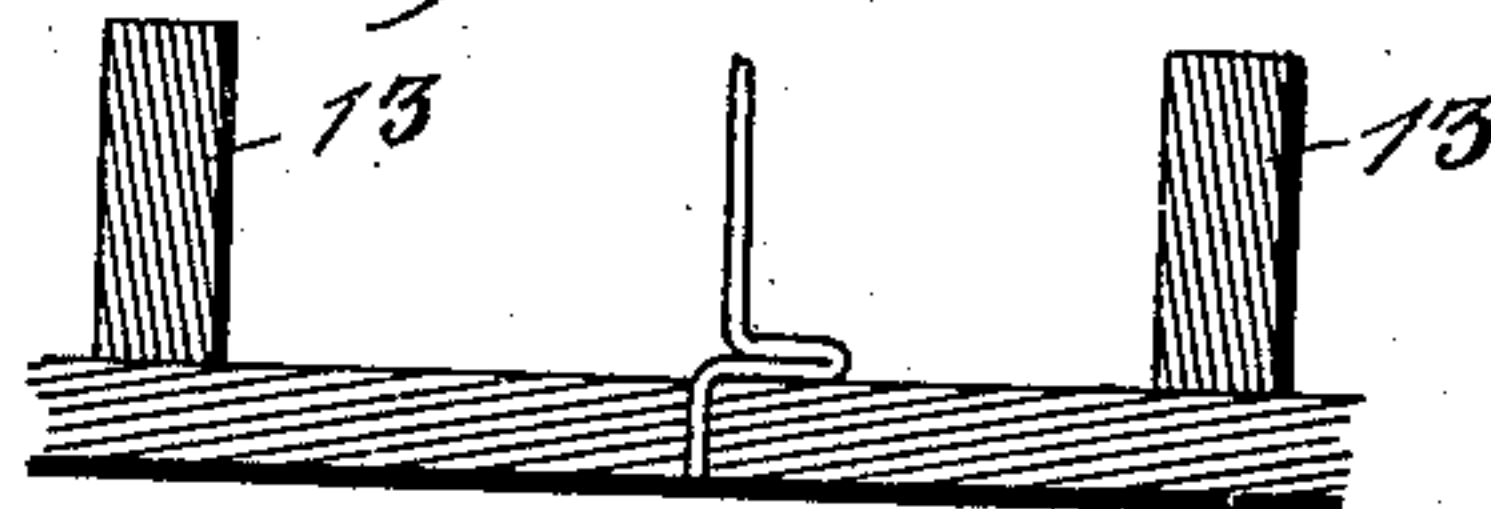


Fig. 6



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, FREDERICK A. SHUPE and SAMUEL D. PAGE, citizens of the United States, residing at Des Moines, in the county of Polk and State of Iowa, have invented a new and useful Cabinet for Book-Account Balance-Slips, of which the following is a specification.

Our object is, first, to provide means for storing, protecting, and concealing balance-book account-slips in a cabinet; second, to provide removable pockets located in the cabinet for containing said slips, stencil-plates, stamps, &c.; third, to provide the pockets with spring-actuated covers and spring-locking catches; fourth, to provide reversible and interchangeable markers for the pockets so they can be placed in the cabinet in alphabetical or numerical order as required to facilitate access to and the use of the pockets and their contents; fifth, to provide means for combining the balance-slips in a pocket so the slips can be jointly handled to facilitate placing them in and out of the pockets and placing and replacing them in the pockets for examination, separation, and use at different times in examining accounts to which the slips relate; sixth, to provide movable drawers adapted for fixing therein advantageously the sides of the boxes in alphabetical or numerical and interchangeable order.

Our invention consists in the construction of elements and subcombinations of an apparatus in cabinet form, as hereinafter set forth, pointed out in our claim, and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the cabinet and shows one of the drawers drawn out some distance and removable pockets in the drawer. Fig. 2 is an enlarged section of one of the drawers and shows parallel rows of drawers and partitions between the rows. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of one of the sides of the movable pockets, having a spring-actuated cover and spring-catch and a reversible marker on its top. Fig. 4 is a transverse sectional view of one of the pockets in the drawer, composed of movable sides and the bottom and vertical portions of the drawer. Fig. 5 shows a slip-holder detachably fixed to the bottom of the drawer and within one of

the slip-retaining boxes. Fig. 6 is a modification of Fig. 5.

The numeral 10 designates a cabinet provided with a plurality of removable drawers 12. Partitions 13 are fixed in the drawers for producing parallel compartments and a plurality of boxes for balance-slips A in each compartment. Card-holders 14 are fixed on the front face of each drawer 12 and detachable index-cards 15 are placed in the holders, as required, to designate the names of persons whose balance-slips are in the different drawers and compartments. Kerfs 16 in the tops of the bottoms of the drawers and the side faces of the partitions 13 and the inside faces of the sides 17 of the drawers to admit the ends of the movable sides 18 of the boxes in the compartments, and in each compartment an aperture in the bottom of the drawer for each pocket to admit a slip-holder. The sides 18 of each slip-box has a spring-actuated hinged cover 19 and a spring-catch for retaining the cover closed. The cover is preferably provided with an oblong opening, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, and their parallel edges doubled inward, as shown in Fig. 4, to serve as means for retaining the cards a in the covers, as shown, or in any suitable way, as required for detachably and interchangeably connecting the cards with the covers. At the front of each compartment in each drawer there is a spring-catch 20, provided for holding down the hinged cover 19, as shown in Fig. 1, or in any suitable way.

In the practical use of our invention in mercantile transactions when a customer's account is balanced a statement of the balance is written on a balance-slip A and placed on a slip-holder, as shown in Figs. 2 and 5. The slip-holders consist of straight pins 21 and nuts 22, to which they are detachably fixed and placed in the aperture a in the bottom of the drawers, as shown in Fig. 5, or in any suitable way, so that when the slips A are placed on a slip-holder by providing the slips with apertures so the pin can be passed therethrough the slips on the pin can be jointly removed from the drawer and the slips slipped off and on the holder at pleasure. Openings in the bottom of the drawer allow the burs to pass through and when the pins are lifted the burs engage the lower slips A, as required to lift them out of the boxes.

Having thus set forth the purposes of our invention and the construction and function of each element and subcombination the practical use and utility of the apparatus  
5 may be readily understood.

What we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A cabinet for balance-slips comprising a case, drawers in the case, partitions in the  
10 drawers provided with kerfs in their side faces, sides for pockets fitted in said kerfs,

detachable pocket-covers hinged to the said sides, means for latching the covers in closed position, index-cards connected with the covers, and means for detachably connecting  
15 balance-slips and fastening them to the bottoms of the pockets.

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