

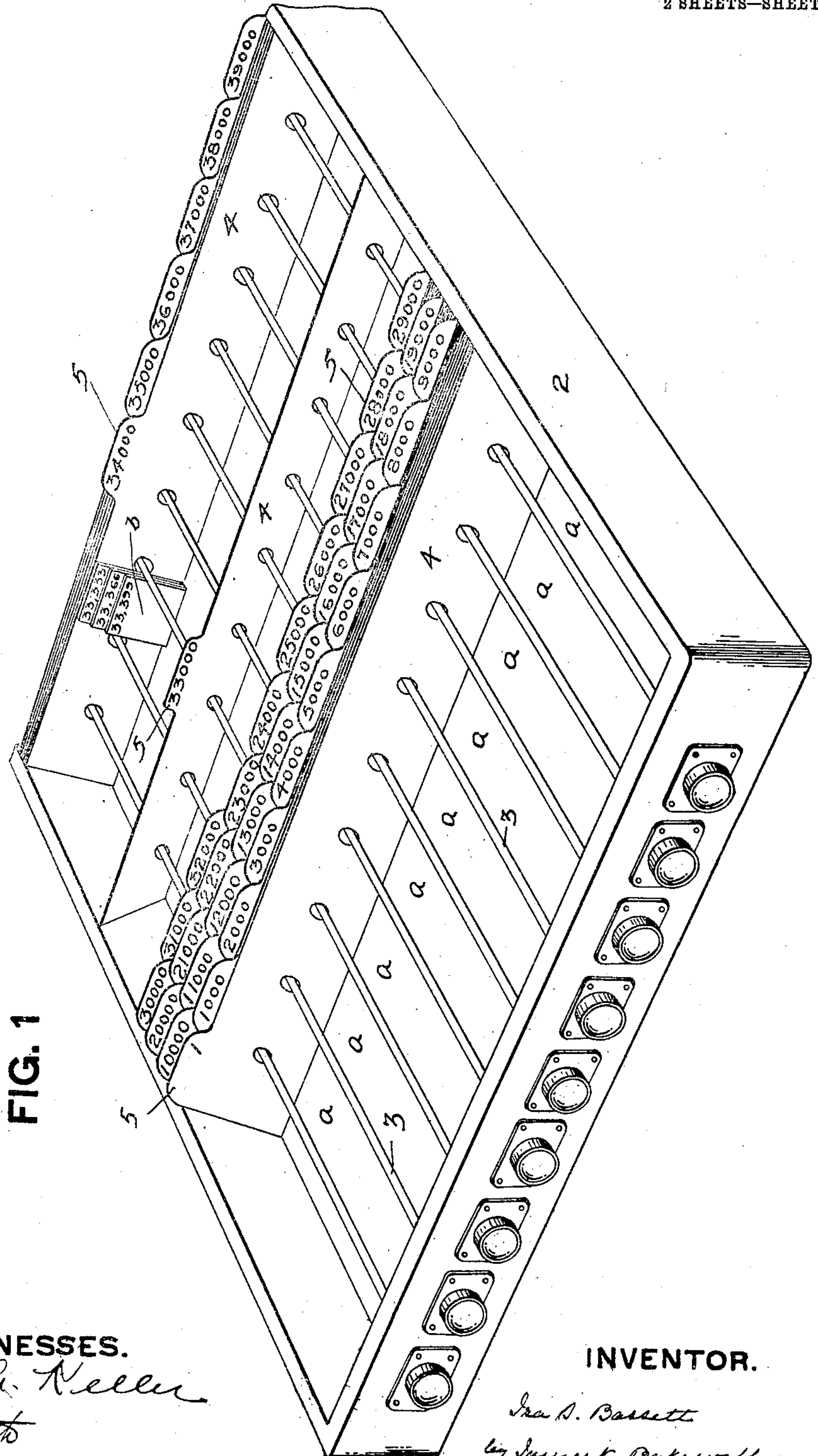
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FIG. 2

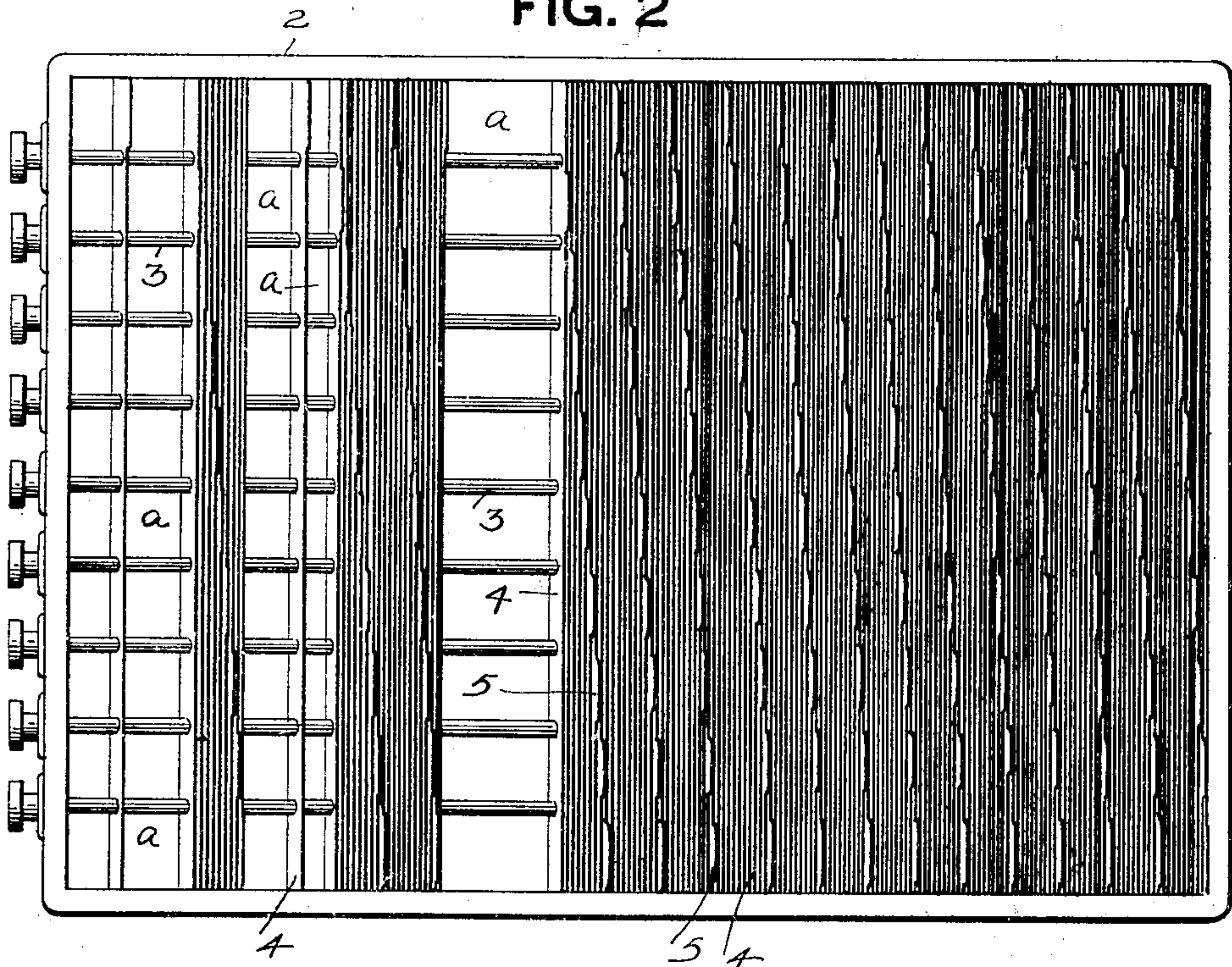
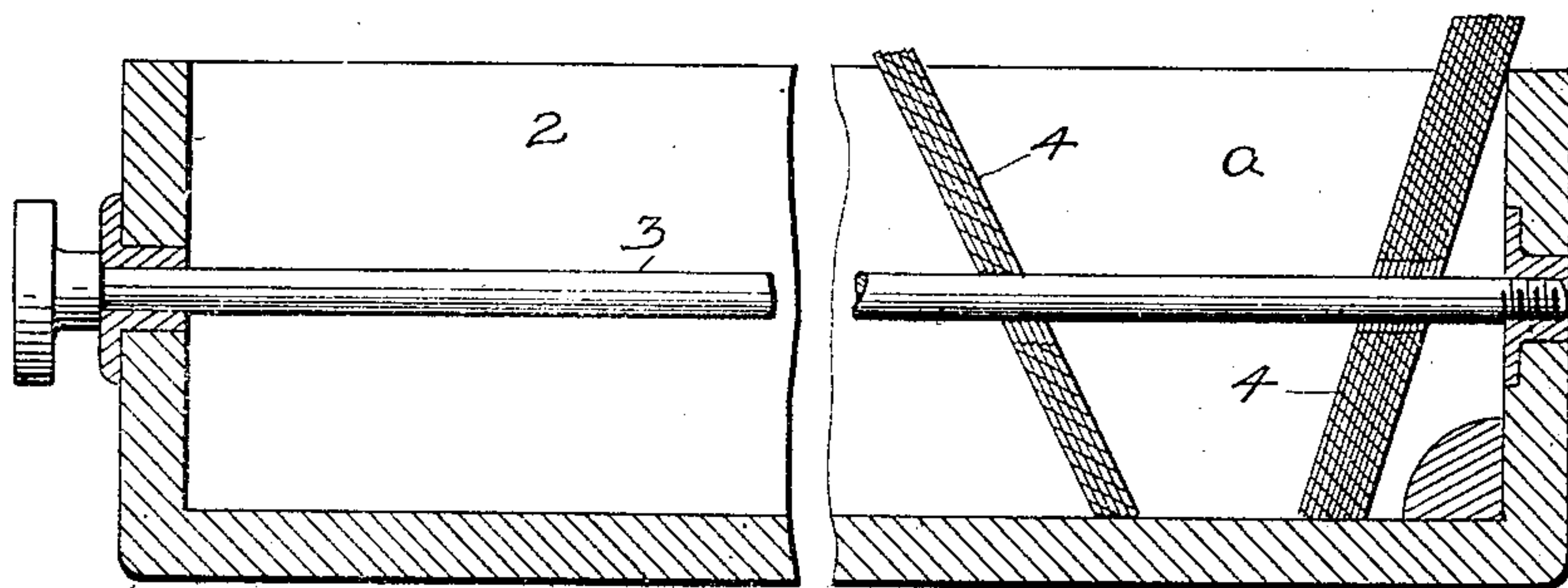


FIG. 3



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, IRA S. BASSETT, of Pittsburgh, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a certain new and useful Card-Record, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a card record cabinet illustrating my invention; Fig. 2 is a plan view of the same; and Fig. 3 is a longitudinal vertical sectional view.

Like symbols of reference indicate like parts wherever they occur.

My invention relates to what are known as card records, that is, to a system of cards on which the record is to be kept, which cards are adapted to be arranged in such relation to each other as to be readily inserted, found, or removed; and it consists in a system of card records in which the cards are divided up into groups, the groups being separated from each other longitudinally and transversely.

In the use of my invention I employ a cabinet having longitudinal bars and transverse indicator or guide leaves, thus forming pockets separated from each other by the leaves and by the bars, which pockets are adapted to contain a group of record cards; as, for instance, a cabinet having nine bars and a thousand leaves would give a capacity of 10,000 groups of a hundred each.

I will now describe my invention so that others skilled in the art to which it appertains may manufacture and use the same.

In the drawing, 2 represents the drawer or cabinet which may be formed of metal, wood, or other suitable material, and of such depth as to receive record cards of the above shape and size required for the particular use to which the cabinet is to be put. Extending longitudinally through the interior of the drawer or cabinet 2, and at equal distances apart, are the rods 3, which in form may be similar to the lock-rods now employed in the ordinary form of card record cabinets. Extending transversely across the drawer 2 are

the leaves 4, each leaf having an aperture for each of the rods 3, the aperture being of such size as to permit the leaf to be drawn backward and forward on the rods 3, and to be tilted slightly thereon. Each of the leaves 4 is provided with an ear or tab 5 which projects upwardly between one of the rods 3 and the side of the cabinet, or between two of the rods 3, these ears being staggered so that the ear of one leaf is not covered by the ear of another. The ears may be numbered or lettered as, for instance, as shown in the drawing, the ear of the first leaf being marked 1, the ear of the second leaf being marked 1000, of the third leaf 2000, etc., indicating that the space in front of each one of these leaves is devoted to the occupancy of a thousand records which are divided by the bars 3 into ten different compartments *a*, each compartment being adapted to contain a hundred records. If desired, each one of these hundreds may be divided into thirds by using records of different height or colors, as is shown at *b* in Fig. 1. The cards which I desire to employ for keeping the records may be pieces of card board of such size as to fit between the bars 3.

Although I do not desire to limit the use of my improved cabinet in any way, it is especially adapted for use in connection with keeping a record of the movement of railroad cars where there are a large number of cars to be kept track of and it is necessary that such record be kept in as small space as possible.

The advantages of my invention will be appreciated by those skilled in the art. The combined use of the sliding leaves and bars keeps the cards in pockets into which they may be inserted and from which they may be withdrawn by merely tilting the transverse leaf which lies in front of the desired card.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. In a card record, a system of records consisting in the formation of groups of record cards, the groups being placed progress-

ively from left to right, forming successive rows of a fixed number of groups, the groups being divided from each other transversely and longitudinally; substantially as specified.

5 • 2. In a card record, a cabinet or case having longitudinal bars and transverse indicator or guide leaves sliding on the bars, forming pockets between the bars and leaves for

the reception of groups of record cards; substantially as specified. 10

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand.

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