

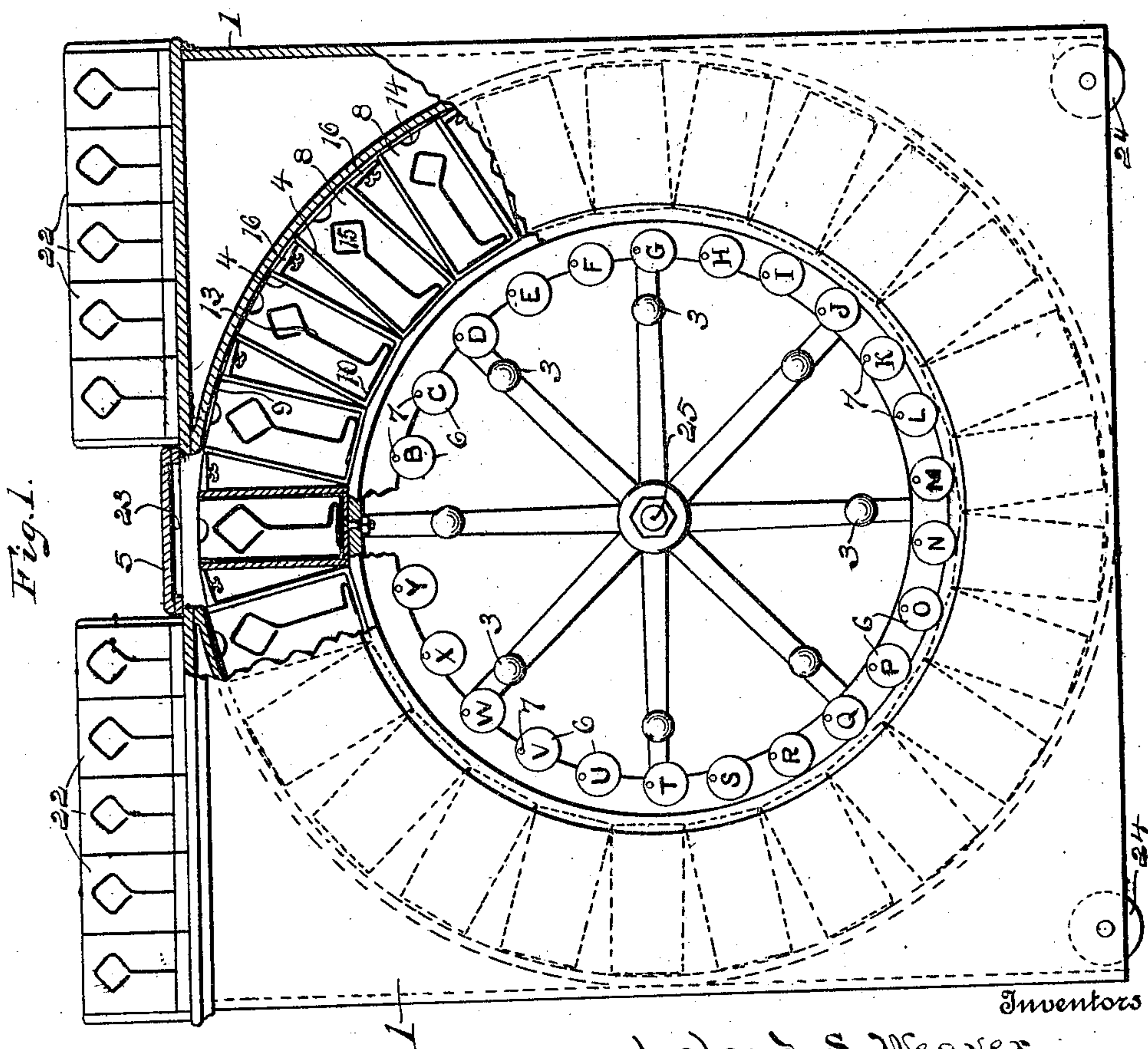
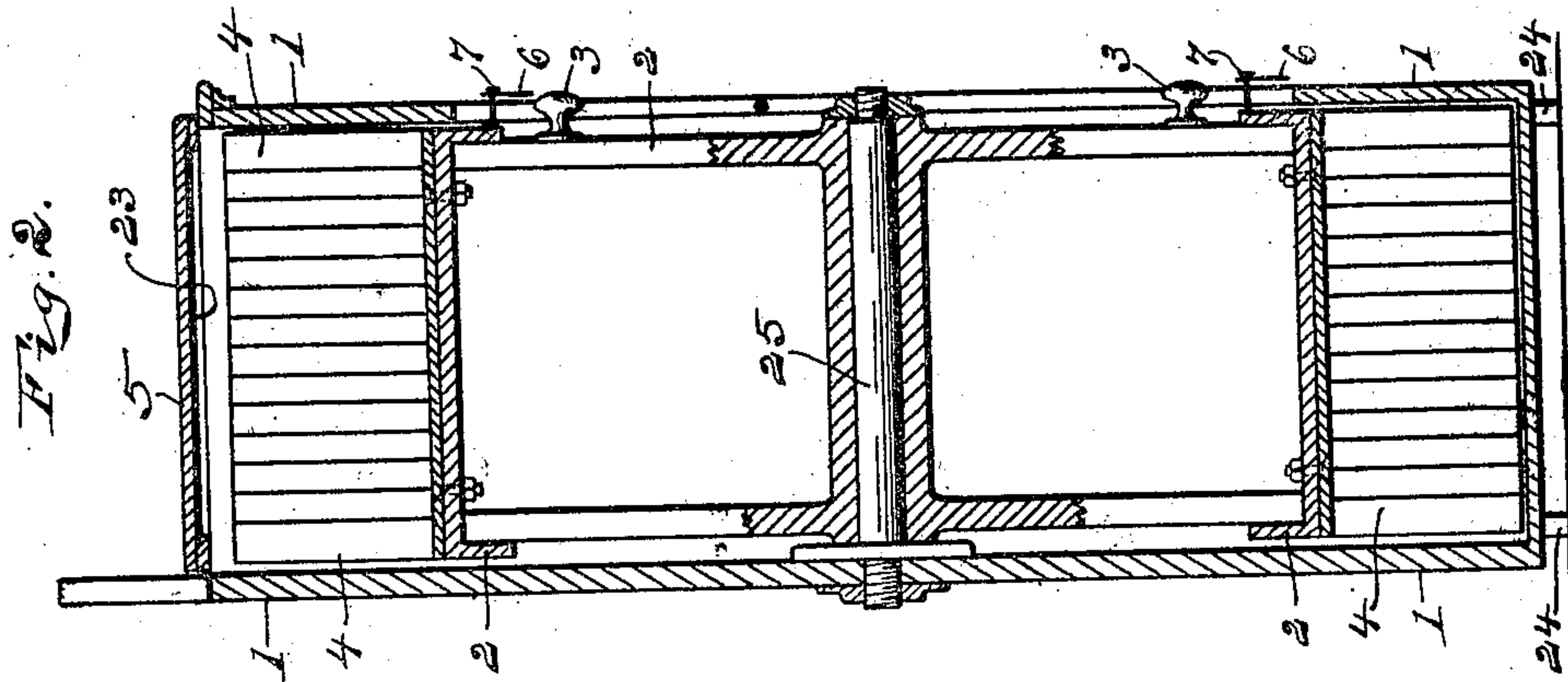
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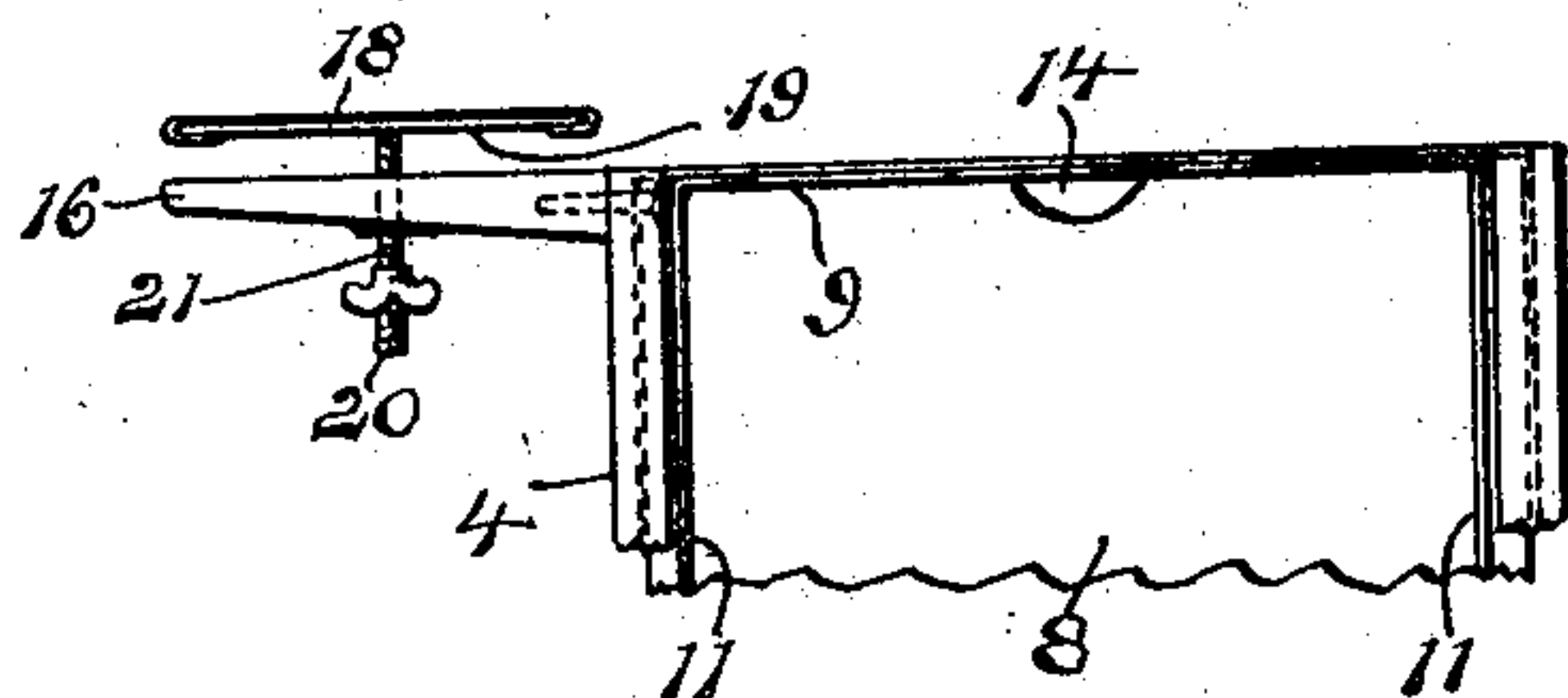


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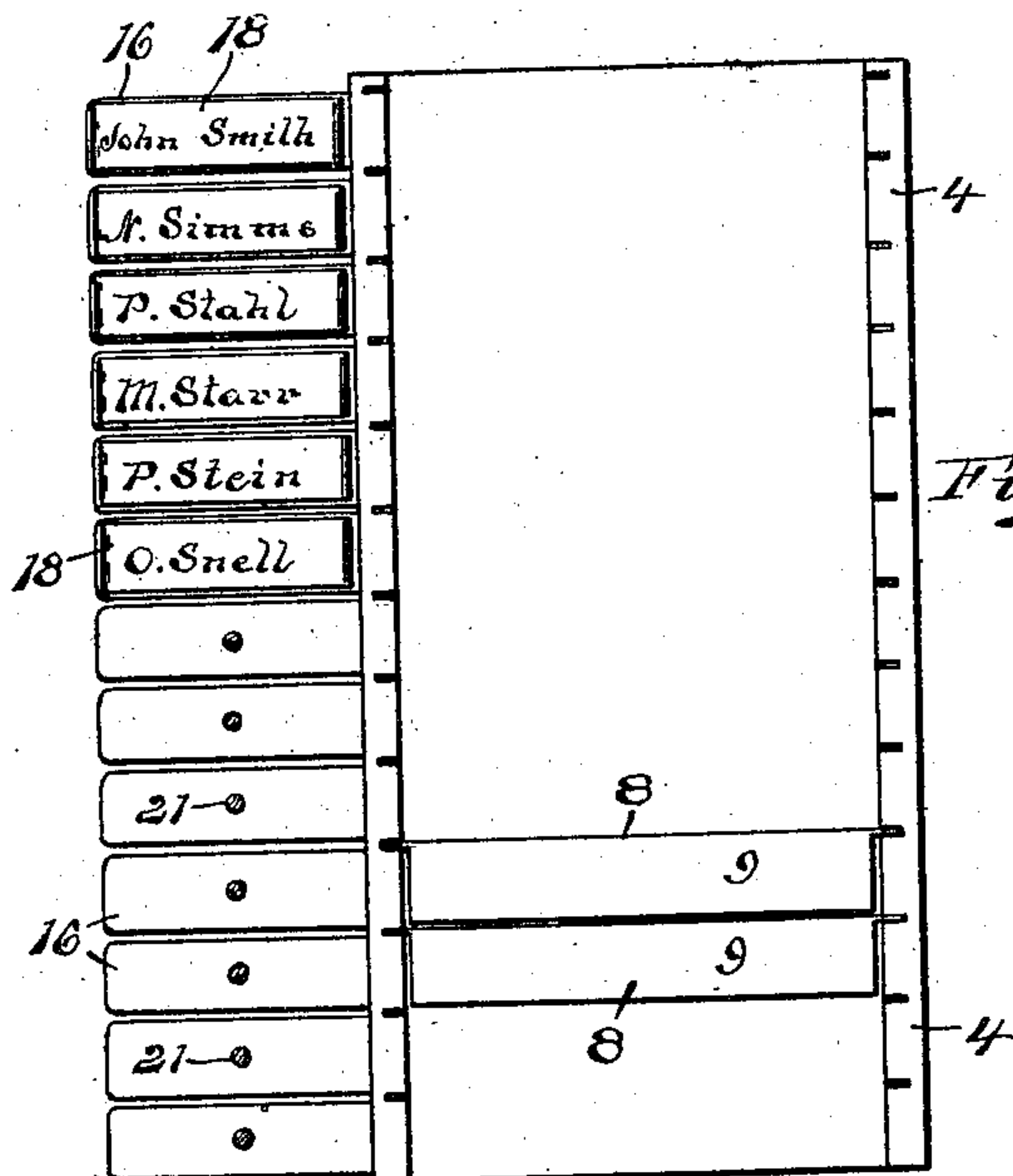


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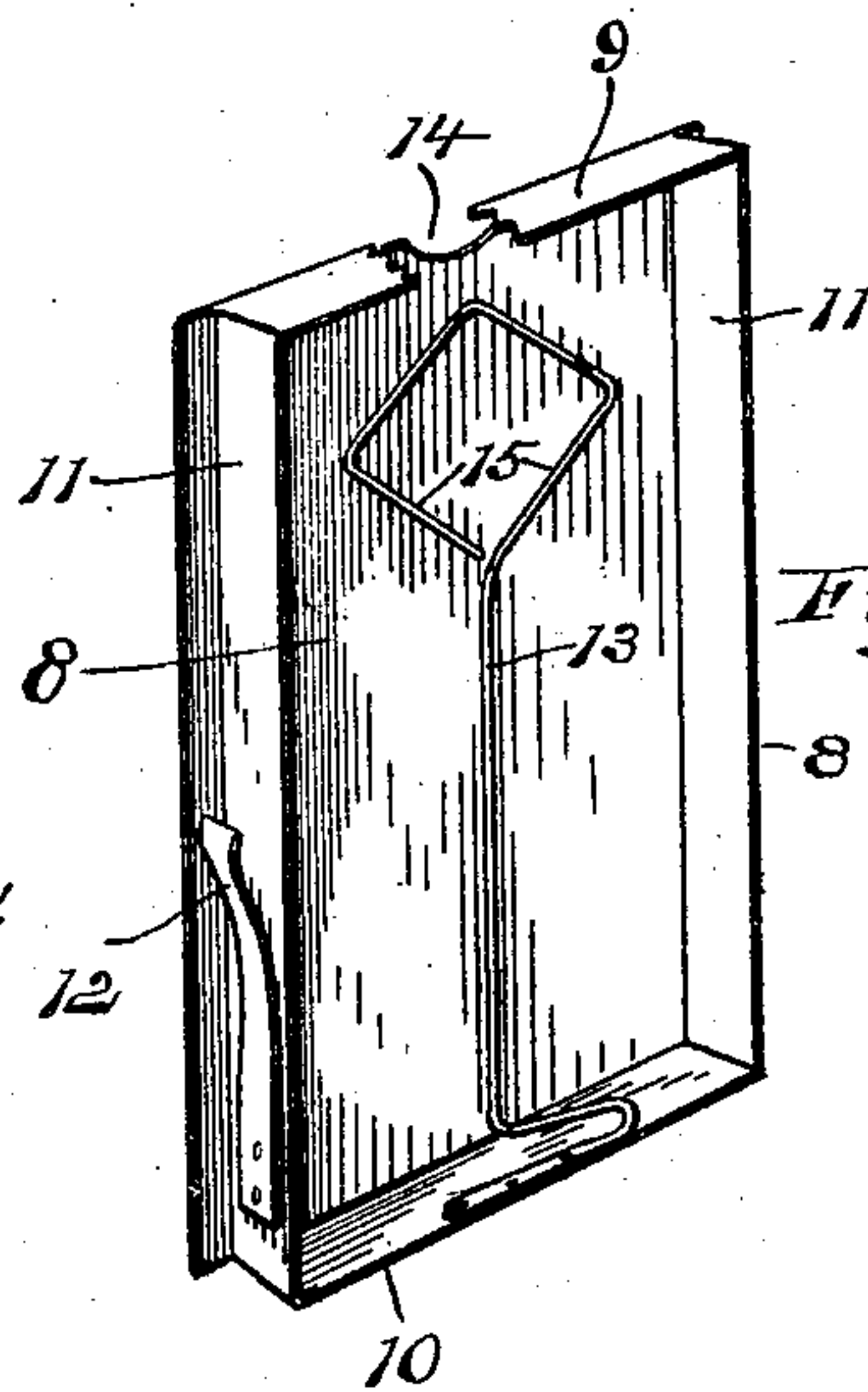


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, LELAND S. WEAVER, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Fremont, in the county of Newaygo and State of Michigan, and WILLIAM F. ALTENBAUGH, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Seattle, in the county of King and State of Washington, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Filing-Cabinets, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to filing cabinets, and more particularly to an arrangement thereof whereby a large number of leaflets, cards, or like documents may be stored in a small space in such a manner as to be readily accessible individually, without exposing the rest of the cabinet contents to view. Furthermore the parts are so disposed that liability to error in filing leaflets or replacing a card is reduced to a minimum.

The invention consists in the matters hereinafter set forth and more particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a view in side elevation, partially broken away, of a cabinet embodying features of the invention; Fig. 2 is a view in vertical, central section of the cabinet; Fig. 3 is a view in detail of an index bracket and clip; Fig. 4 is a view showing the arrangement of a pocket and slides; and Fig. 5 is a view in detail of a card or leaflet slide.

Referring to the drawings, a casing 1, preferably rectangular and of any suitable material and construction, houses a wheel 2 which is journaled therein to rotate in a vertical plane with one side flush with the front of the case. The periphery of the wheel is substantially as wide as the casing. Handles 3 or knobs are provided for convenience in turning the wheel.

A plurality of substantially rectangular filing pockets 4 extend radially at regular intervals from the periphery of the wheel, the inner end of each being secured to the rim and the outer end or front, which is open, being adapted to register with an opening in the top of the casing having a suitable lid 5. As herein indicated as a preferable arrangement the pockets equal in number the letters of the alphabet, and are each designated by such a letter, placed on a tag 6 or disk pendent on a pin 7 or otherwise se-

cured to the face of the wheel adjacent the companion drawer so as to always hang in a vertical position.

The inner faces of the pocket sides are grooved, slotted or otherwise arranged to retain slides 8 having fronts 9, backs 10 and sides 11, a suitably disposed spring finger 12 or other like device on the side engaging the pocket wall frictionally, and preventing accidental dislodgment when the pocket is in its lowest position, or the slide partly withdrawn, as well as any rattling when the wheel is turned. The card or leaflet slides 8, each have a spring presser finger 13 extending from the back so as to hold the contents of the slide in place, a finger hole 14 at the front allowing the leaflets, cards or documents to be readily lifted when the slide is drawn out. Preferably the finger is a spring wire bent on itself at its inner end and secured to the slide back, and closed on itself at its outer end in a loop 15 so as to firmly hold the leaflets or documents down.

The spaces between the divergent sides of adjacent pockets are utilized for index plates or brackets 16, each secured to a pocket wall adjacent and in lateral alinement with a slide front. Each finger has a suitable clip for holding an index strip 18. Preferably the clip is a plate 19 around the ends of which the strip is folded and then clamped by a binding nut 20 engaging a central spindle 21 on the plate which extends through a bracket 16 on the pocket side the nut drawing the spindle and plate against the bracket and holding the strip ends in place. Or other suitable preferred means may be used for securing the strips in place.

As a convenience vertical filing pockets 22 may be placed on the top of the case box holding reference or blank leaflets, and the lid 5 may have a tablet 23 for supporting a calendar or general index card. By mounting the casing on caster wheels 24 it may be readily moved as desired. The wheel 2 is preferably journaled on a suitable stud 25 on the back of the casing.

In operation, the user, by means of the pendent tabs on the wheel face, brings the desired pocket to register with the opening at the top of the casing, and by lifting the lid and withdrawing the slide he wishes, he has the leaflets or cards he requires at hand. In replacing the cards or leaflets, or filing new ones the fact that only one pocket is ac-

cessible at a time minimizes possibility of error, while the capacity of the case is very great for the space occupied.

Obviously, changes in details of construction may be made without departing from the spirit of the invention and we do not limit ourselves to any particular form or arrangement of parts save as set forth in the appended claims.

10 What we claim as our invention is:—

1. In a filing cabinet, an outer casing having an opening in one of its walls, a cylindrical member rotatable in the casing provided with peripheral pockets each adapted 15 to be brought successively and singly into registration with the opening by turning the rotatable member, leaflet holding slides removably secured in each pocket, and a pendent indicator on the member adjacent 20 each pocket and visible through one of the casing walls.

2. In a filing cabinet, the combination of a casing having an opening in one of its walls, with a cylindrical member having peripheral 25 pockets adapted to be brought successively into register with the opening and a series of pendent tabs on the end of the cylinder for indicating the position of the several pockets adapted to maintain a vertical position when the cylinder is turned. 30

3. In a filing cabinet, a casing having an opening in one wall, a cylindrical member rotatable in a vertical plane therein with one side visible in the casing, radially disposed 35 pockets on the periphery of the cylindrical member whose outer open ends are adapted to be brought successively and singly into registration with the opening by turning the member, and an indicator tag on the 40 visible side of the member adjacent each pocket, adapted to maintain a vertical position as the cylinder is turned.

4. In a filing cabinet, an outer casing having an opening in its top, a wheel journaled in the casing to rotate in a vertical plane, 45 pockets extending radially from the wheel periphery whose open outer ends are adapted to successively register with the opening when the wheel is turned, slides in each pocket adapted to be withdrawn through 50 the opening when in register therewith, indicator plates extending laterally from the pocket walls each alined with a slide, and an indicator tag for each pocket on one side of the wheel, adjacent the pocket, adapted to 55 hang in vertical position as the wheel revolves.

5. In a filing cabinet, an outer casing having an opening in its top, a wheel journaled in the casing to rotate in a vertical plane, 60 pockets extending radially from the wheel periphery whose open outer ends are adapted to successively register with the opening when the wheel is turned, slides in each pocket, means frictionally retaining each 65 slide, a bracket on the pocket wall adjacent each slide, a paper retaining clip on the bracket, and a series of tags suspended on the face of the wheel each adjacent a pocket, and adapted to hang in vertical position 70 when the wheel is turned.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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