

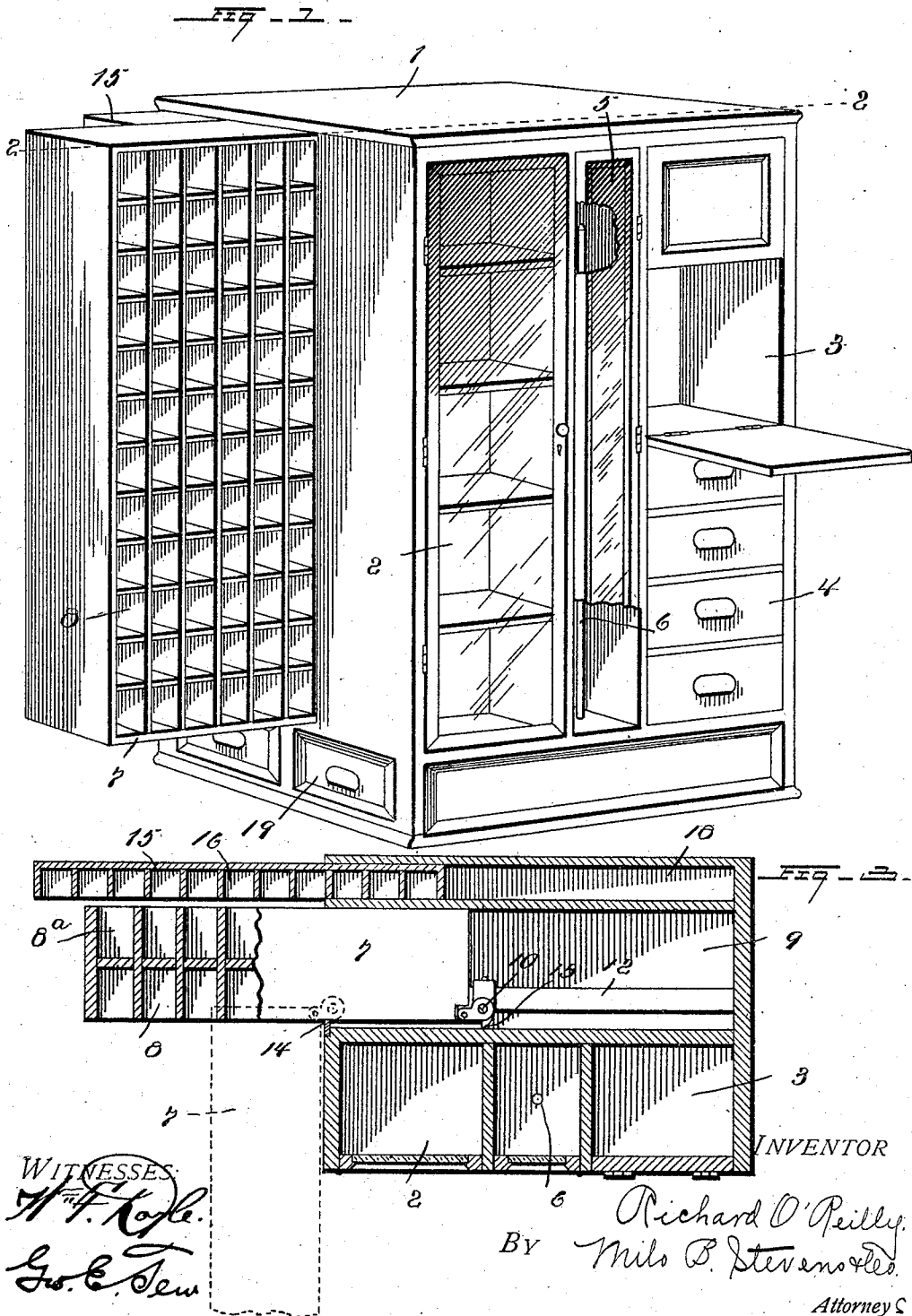
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FIG. 2.

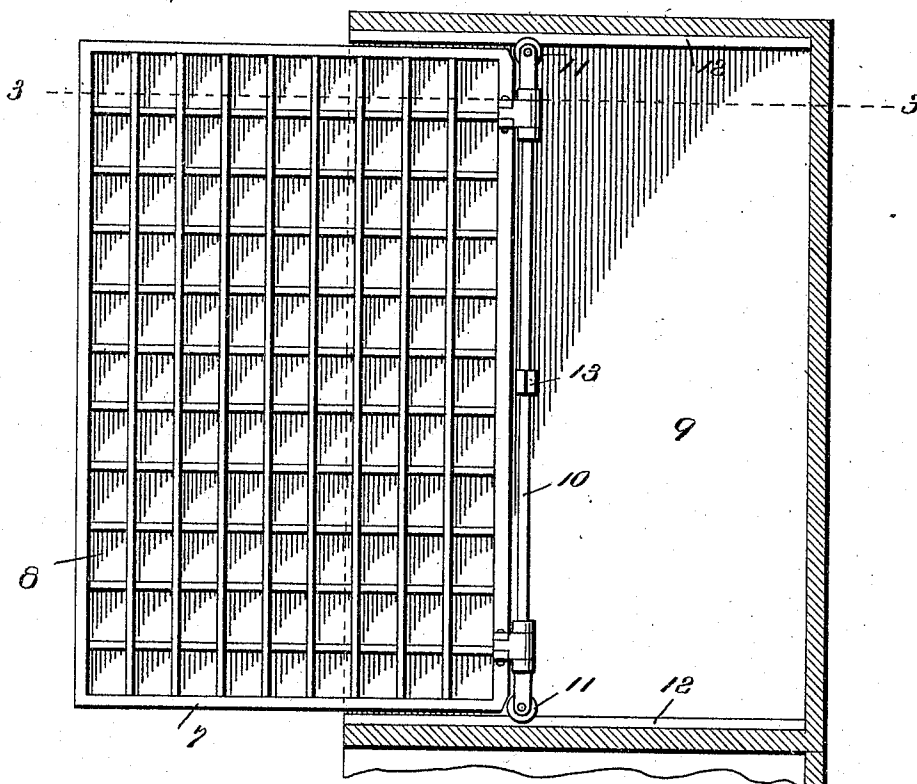
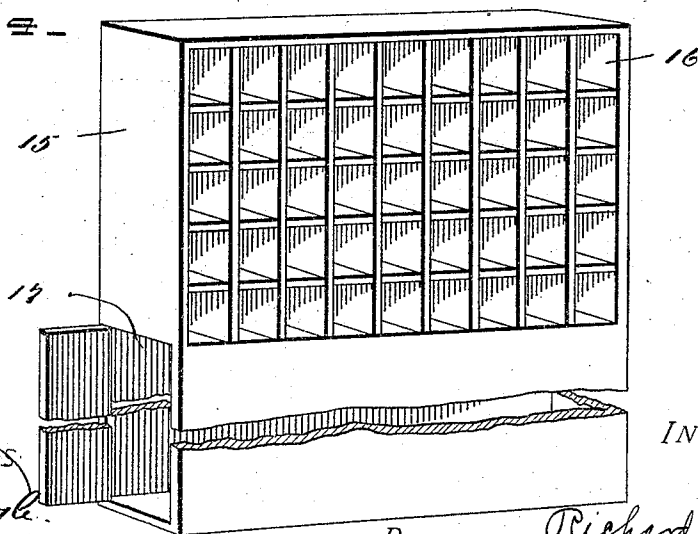


FIG. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, RICHARD O'REILLY, a citizen of the United States, residing at St. Louis, and State of Missouri, have invented new and useful Improvements in Postal Cabinets, of which the following is a specification.

This invention is a postal cabinet suitable particularly for the use of railway mail-clerks and designed for holding books, slips, orders, practice-cards, and working material generally in convenient position to be got at and used when desired.

The object of the invention is to produce an improved device of the kind which will occupy but little space in proportion to the capacity supplied and in view of the different compartments provided for material of different kinds.

The cabinet is illustrated in the accompanying drawings.

Figure 1 is a perspective view thereof. Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view on the line 2 2 of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a horizontal section on the line 3 3 of Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a perspective view in detail of a practice-case removed from the cabinet.

Referring specifically to the drawings, 1 indicates the outer case of the cabinet, which in part consists of a bookcase 2, located in the front thereof and having a set of shelves, as usual. Beside the bookcase in the front is a vertical compartment 5, designed particularly for general orders and having therein a filing-pin 6. At the other side of the said compartment is a writing-desk 3 of ordinary construction and having a hinged leaf, as usual, and below this is a set of drawers 4 for general purposes.

Located in the back part of the cabinet is a "facing-slip" case 7 and a "practice-card" case 15. The slip-case 7 slides laterally in and out of the side of the cabinet. It has a plurality of pigeonholes 8 and 8^a, arranged in the front and back thereof, respectively. As stated, this slip-case slides in and out of the space 9, formed in the cabinet directly behind the bookcase and desk. The case is hinged to a rod 10, which is provided at the upper and lower ends with rollers 11, which roll upon tracks 12 on the top and bottom of the casing. When the slip-case is drawn out

as far as it will go or until the projection 13 on the rod strikes the stop 14 at the side of the casing, it may be swung around forwardly, as indicated in dotted lines in Fig. 3, so that the rear pigeonholes 8^a can be got at. This allows the case to contain a large number of slips with convenient access to all.

The practice-case 15 is designed to contain cards for examination practice, which is an incident of the duties of mail-clerks. This case is located behind the slip-case 7 and is slidable laterally in and out of a space 18, formed in the cabinet in the rear of the space 9. This case consists of a set of pigeonholes 16 in the upper part and a compartment 17 in the lower part which is intended to be used for the filing of maps.

In the lower part of the casing, under the cases and compartments above referred to, is a set of long drawers 19, which slide in and out, preferably to the side.

A cabinet constructed as above stated will supply practically all the needs of a postal clerk with respect to the storage and use of his books, orders, slips, and other working material. With little or no modification the invention is capable of use for other purposes, although, as stated, it is designed particularly for the use and convenience of railway postal clerks.

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

A cabinet having in the front thereof compartments which open at the front and are of less depth than the whole depth of the cabinet, and having in the back thereof a plurality of compartments which extend across the whole width of the cabinet and are open at one side, and one of which is provided with tracks at top and bottom, a rod having rollers which travel on said tracks, and a case slidable in and out of said latter compartment and having pigeonholes on both sides, said case being hinged at one corner to the rod, so that it may be swung to expose either side.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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