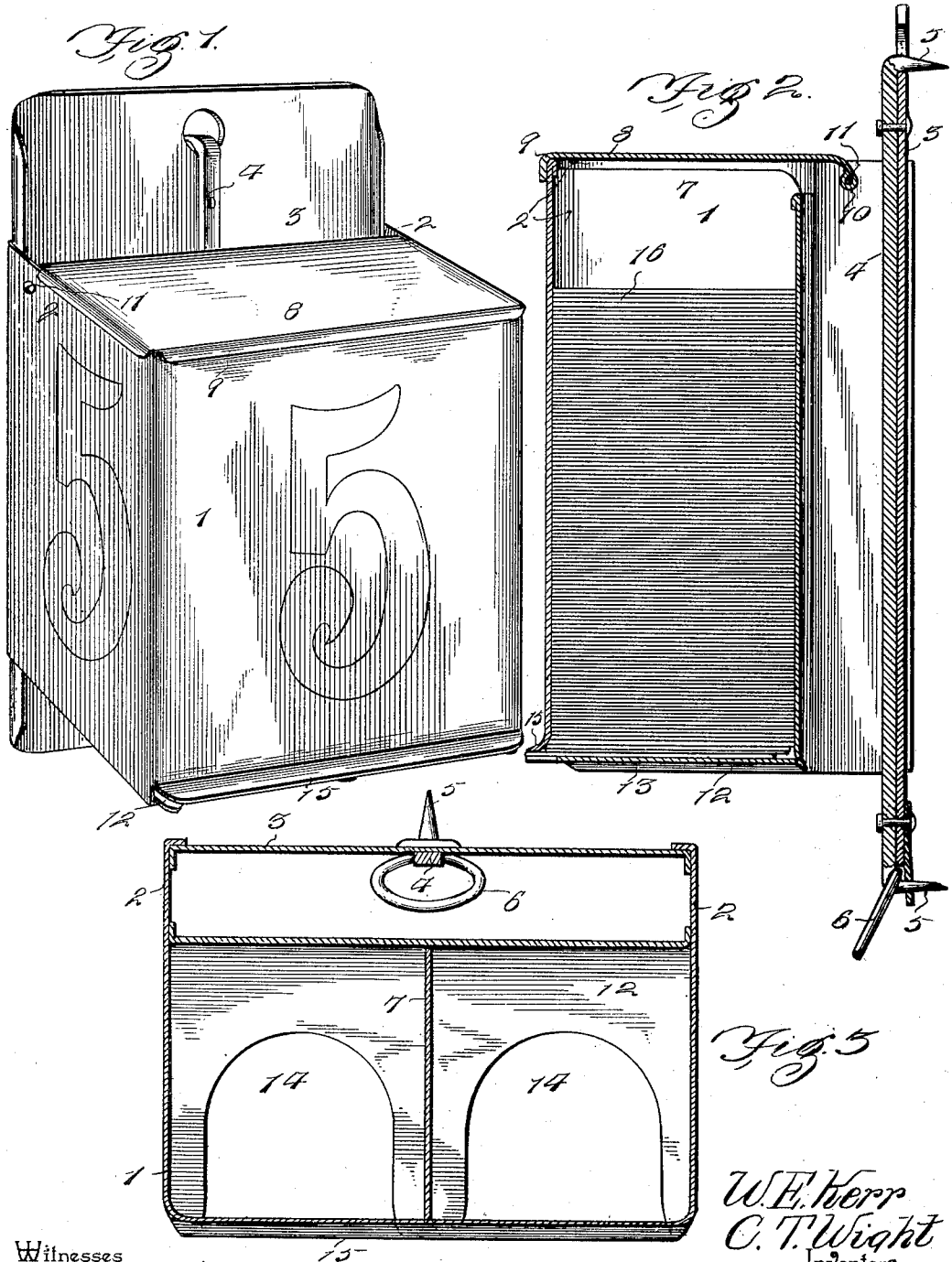
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TICKET-CASE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, WILLIAM ELLSWORTH KERR, residing at Mansfield, in the county of Richland, and CALMES TOWSON WIGHT, residing at Sandusky, in the county of Erie, State of Ohio, citizens of the United States, have invented a new and useful Ticket-Case, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to cases for containing tickets and the like, and has for its object to provide an improved device of this character which is arranged for outdoor use and to facilitate the removal of individual tickets therefrom, the case being constructed to effectually protect the tickets from the damaging effects of the weather, to facilitate the mounting and removal thereof, and to shed rain, so as to maintain the contents of the case dry and undamaged.

With these and other objects in view the present invention consists in the combination and arrangement of parts, as will be hereinafter more fully described, shown in the accompanying drawings, and particularly pointed out in the appended claims, it being understood that changes in the form, proportion, size, and minor details may be made within the scope of the claims without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a ticket-case embodying the present invention. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view thereof. Fig. 3 is a transverse sectional view.

Like characters of reference designate corresponding parts in all the figures of the drawings.

The present invention is particularly designed for use in connection with a loading and unloading system for freight-cars, and the purpose of the case is to contain a plurality of numbered tickets or checks corresponding to the number on the case and arranged to be conveniently removed, so as to form the check portion of the system. It will be understood that the case is carried by the exterior of the car, and therefore must be constructed to protect the tickets.

In carrying out the invention there is provided a substantially rectangular metallic box 1, the opposite upright sides of which are extended rearwardly, as at 2, and to the rear edges of the extended side portions there is secured a false back 3, that projects both above and below the case or box. An upright metal rod or bar 4 is secured to the intermediate portion of the front side of the false back and has its opposite ends formed into rearwardly-directed pointed spurs or prongs 5, which are passed through the false back and are designed to be driven into the side of a car to support the case in position. It is preferred to employ this means of fastening, as it does not injure the car so much as do screw-fastenings. A ring or link 6 is held between the lower portion of the rod and the false back, so as to form a handle for convenience in pulling the fastenings out of the side of a car.

The interior of the case is divided into a plurality of compartments (here shown as two) by means of a vertical partition 7, (indicated in Fig. 3,) extending from the front to the back of the box. The top of the case is closed by means of a hinged lid or cover 8, that has a marginal pendent rim or flange 9 to snugly embrace the upper edge of the box, and thereby exclude rain, dust, and foreign matter. The rear edge of the lid is extended in rear of the box, inclined downwardly to form a water-shed, and formed into a sleeve or bead 10, which loosely embraces a pintle-rod 11, which has its opposite ends supported in the extended portions of the sides of the box. It will now be apparent that the vertical open-ended space between the back of the box and the false back is designed to permit of the escape of water from the top of the box, so as to obviate accumulations of water upon the case. The bottom 12 of the box is located slightly above the lower edges of the sides of the box, thereby producing pendent marginal flanges 13, and the bottom is provided with a pair of substantially U-shaped bifurcations 14, which intersect the front edge of the bottom and are located in the respective compartments. The bottom front edge of the box is flared outwardly, as at 15, to form an exit-slot at the bottom of the front of the box and to form an overhanging flange or water-shed therefor. Within each com-

partment there is placed a plurality of tickets 16, which just fit the compartment and have numerals or characters corresponding to the character upon the exterior of the box—as, for instance, the numeral 5. To remove a ticket, the attendant places one of his fingers against the lowermost ticket in either compartment, and by an upward pressure and an outward movement of the hand the ticket will be drawn outwardly through the exit-slot between the bottom of the box and the flange 15. It will now be understood that the U-shaped slots are designed to expose the lowermost tickets for withdrawal from the case.

What is claimed is—

1. A case of the character described, comprising a box, having opposite rearwardly-directed side extensions, a false back secured to the rear portions of the extensions and forming an open-ended water-escape space between the box and the false back, a lid shaped to direct water into the said space and a rearwardly-directed fastening carried by the false back.

2. A case of the character described, comprising a box, having opposite rearwardly-directed side extensions, a false back secured to the rear portions of the extensions and projected above and below the box, and a bar secured to the intermediate portion of the false back, and having its opposite ends formed into lateral rearwardly-directed pointed spurs or fastenings for the support of the case.

3. A case of the character described, having a box, provided with rearwardly-directed opposite side extensions, a false back secured thereto, a fastening device carried by the back, and a lid having its rear edge inclined rearwardly and downwardly between the box and the false back and provided with a hinged connection with the opposite side extensions.

4. A case of the character described, comprising a box having an open upper end, a closure therefor, the lower front edge of the box having a transverse slot flush with the bottom of the box, said bottom having a bifurcation intersecting the front edge thereof, and an outwardly-directed water-shed flange extending entirely across the upper edge of the slot in the front of the box.

5. A case of the character described, comprising a metallic box, having its bottom disposed upwardly from the lower side edges thereof, and provided with a pair of bifurcations intersecting the front edge of the bottom, the lower front edge of the box being bent laterally outward to produce an exit-slot extending transversely across the box, and also to form a water-shed flange, there being a vertical partition located between the pair of bifurcations, the opposite sides of the box having rearwardly-directed extensions, and the top of the box being open, a lid having a marginal pendent flange to embrace the top edge of the box, and its rear end inclined rearwardly and downwardly between the rear side extensions and formed into a bearing-sleeve, a pintle-rod supported in the side extensions and passing through the sleeve, a false back secured to the rear edges of the side extensions and projected both above and below the box, and a rod secured to the intermediate portion of the inner side of the false back, and having its opposite ends formed into lateral rearwardly-directed pointed spurs or fastenings for the support of the case.

In testimony that we claim the foregoing as our own we have hereto affixed our signatures in the presence of two witnesses.

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