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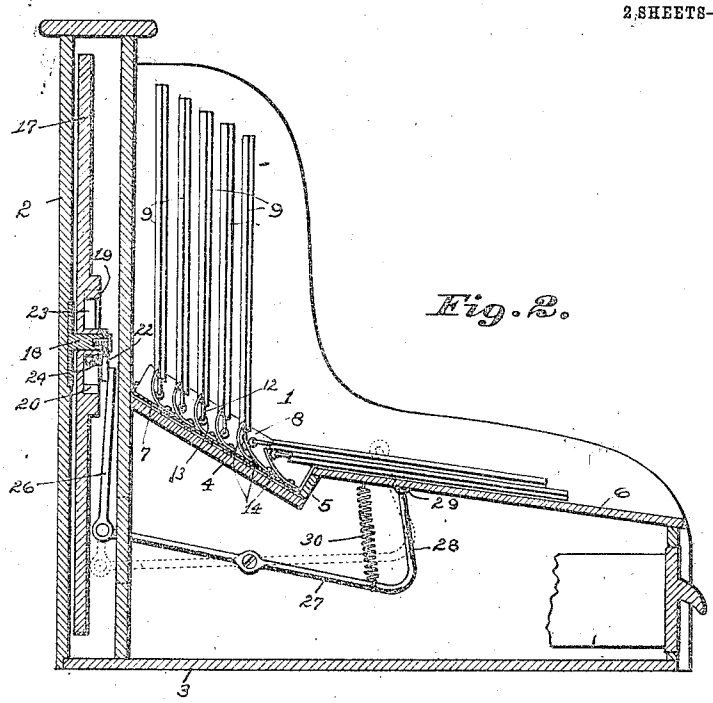

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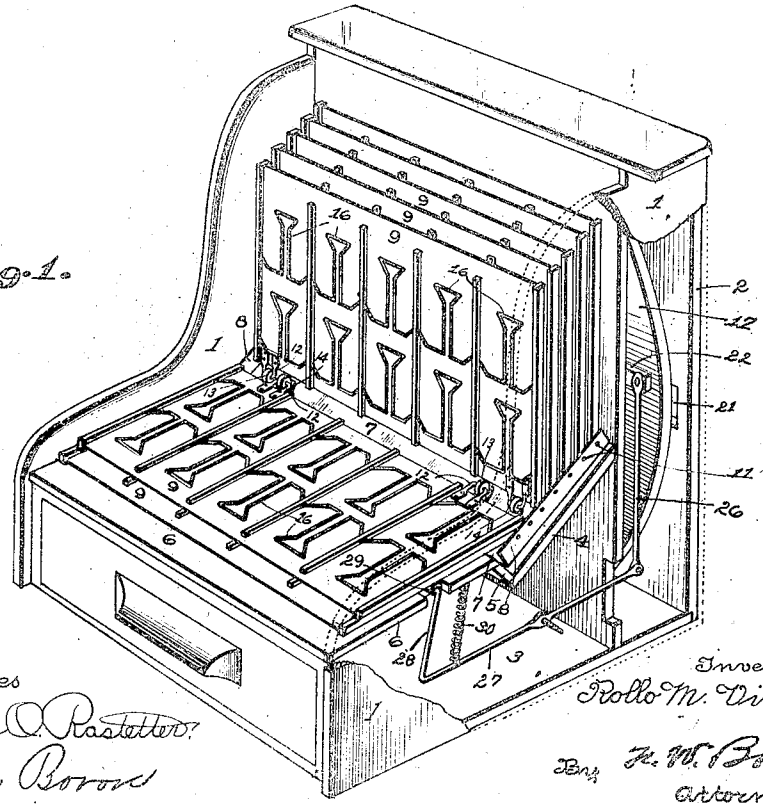

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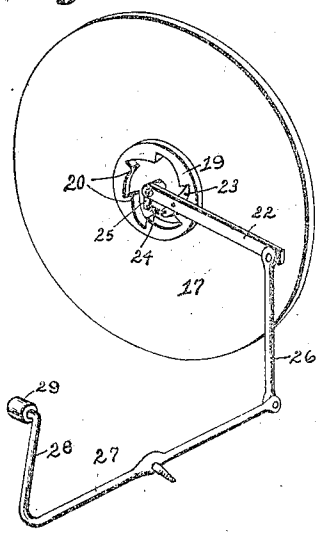

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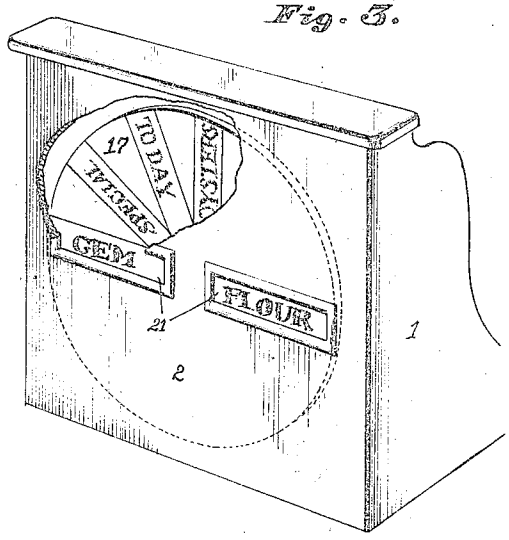

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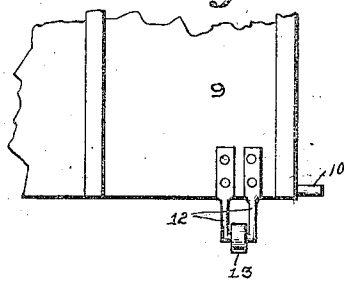

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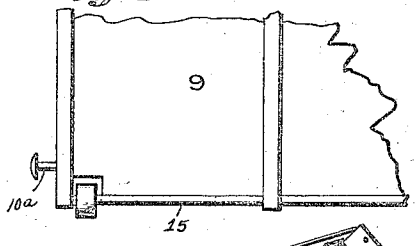

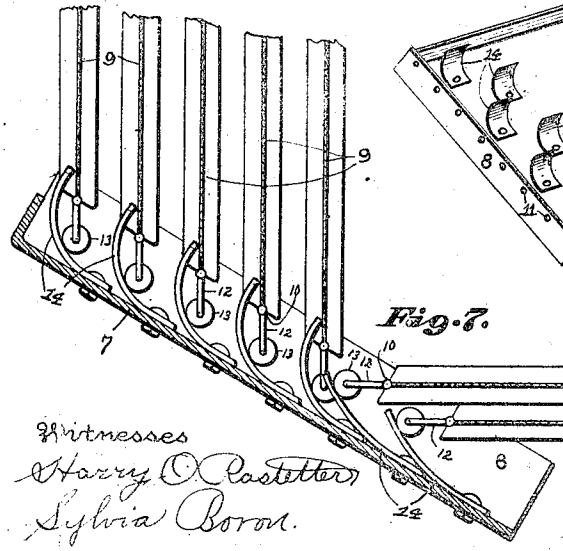

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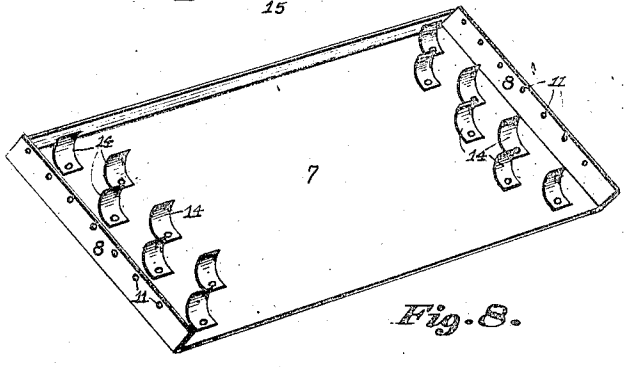

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROLLO M. VICK, a citizen of the United States, residing at Alliance, in the county of Stark and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Credit-Cabinets; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, making a part of this specification, and to the numerals of reference marked thereon, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the cabinet, showing a part of one of the sides broken away and two of the credit slip holding leaves brought into a lowered position. Fig. 2 is a vertical section showing a portion of the credit slip holding leaves in their normal position and a portion of the leaves brought into a lowered position. Fig. 3 is a view showing the back of the cabinet, and illustrating a part of the back broken away to illustrate the advertising disk. Fig. 4 is a detached view of the advertising disk, showing the mechanism adapted to actuate the disk by a movement of one or more of the credit slip holding leaves. Fig. 5 is a view showing a portion of one of the credit slip holding leaves, and illustrating the spring contact roller connected thereto. Fig. 6 is a similar view showing a slight modification. Fig. 7 is a view showing the removable credit-slip holding plate, the springs, and illustrating a part of the credit-slip holding leaves in their normal position and balance in their lowered position. Fig. 8 is a detached view of the removable credit-slip leaf holding plate showing the credit-slip holding leaf actuating springs connected thereto.

The present invention, has relation to credit cabinets, and it consists in the novel construction hereinafter described and particularly pointed out in the claims.

Similar numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures of the drawing.

In the accompanying drawing 1 represents the sides of the cabinet, which are spaced from each other and held in proper spaced relation by means of the back 2 and the bottom 3, which parts constitute the cabinet case proper. It will however be understood that I do not desire to confine myself to the exact arrangement of the cabinet as the objects and purposes hereinafter described can be carried out without reference to detailed construction.

To the side members 1 or their equivalents is attached the inclined bottom 4, to the lower forward edge of which is attached the strip or flange 5, to which strip or flange and to the side members is attachew the desk member or plate 6. Upon the inclined bottom 4 is located the removable credit-slip carrying or holding plate 7, which plate is provided with the end flanges 8, which end flanges are for the purpose of pivotally attaching the credit-slip holding leaves 9 by means of the pins 10, which pins are located through the apertures 11 formed in the flanges 8. To the credit-slip-holding-leaves 9 are attached the pintles 12, which are formed in pairs and carry the rollers 13, which rollers are for the purpose of engagement with the springs 14, which springs are connected to the credit-slip carrying or holding plate 7, said springs being so located with reference to the rollers 13, that the latter will come in contact with the springs when the credit-slip-holding-leaves are brought into lowered positions. The springs 14 will then be forced out of their normal positions, so that they will have a tendency to check the downward movement just before the credit-slip-holding-leaves are brought into their lowermost positions. The springs will also have a tendency to assist in elevating the credit-slip-holding-leaves when they are given their initiative upward movement and will assist in holding the credit-slip-holding-leaves in an elevated position, owing to the fact that the rollers 13 are located below the pivotal points of said leaves.

In Fig. 6 I have shown a slight modification from what is shown in Fig. 5, which modification consists in placing the rollers 13 upon bars 15 connected to the bottom or lower ends of the credit-slip-holding-leaves, but the action is the same and the purpose is the same in both instances.

For the purpose of providing means for holding credit-slips, the credit-slip-holding-leaves are provided with the clips 16, which clips may be of the form shown or they may be differently formed as their only object so far as the present invention is concerned, is to bind or hold the credit-slips.

In credit-cabinets it is desirable to provide some means for advertising goods, and in order to provide an advertising device which is operated in connection with the movement of the credit-slip-holding-leaves, I provide a rotatable disk 17, which is loosely mounted upon the stud 18 and in this instance the ratchet wheel 19 is provided, which ratchet wheel is provided with internal teeth 20, which ratchet wheel may be formed integral with the disk 17 or made separate and attached in any convenient and well known manner. Upon the back face of the disk 17 are arranged in radial lines, words, and the words so spaced and located that as the disk is rotated as hereinafter described, the words or reading matter located upon the disk will be brought into position from time to time to appear just back of the open spaces 21 formed in the back of the case. It will be understood that as the disk revolves a given sentence extending practically across the entire face of the disk must be so arranged that the letters or characters will appear right side up, when they are brought into view and in order to do this it will be understood that the characters or words must be inverted upon opposite sides of the pivotal point of the disk. In order to prevent any word or character from appearing upside down, the words or characters upon the disk are alternately reversed as illustrated in the drawings. It will be understood that in order that no inverted word or character appears back of the apertures or openings 21, the disk must be so rotated that the inverted words or characters will pass the openings 21, and the disk stopped at points that will bring the words or characters into their true positions or in other words by the movements of the credit-slip-holding-leaves or the movement of a single credit-slip-holding-leaf as the case may be, the disk must be rotated a distance sufficient to move the inverted characters or figures out of sight. For the purpose of operating the disk from time to time, by the movement of the credit-slip-holding-leaves or one of the leaves the arm 22 is provided, which arm is pivotally attached to the stud, and is provided with the pawl 23 one end of which is adapted to engage the teeth 20. The pawl 23 is pivotally attached to the arm 22 and extended beyond its pivotal point in opposite directions as illustrated in Fig. 4, by which arrangement the pull-string 24 can be attached to said pawl at one end and the opposite end of said spring attached to the short arm 25 or its equivalent, said spring being for the purpose of automatically moving the pawl at its toothed engaging end away from the center of the disk. To the outer free end of the arm 22 is attached the link 26, which link extends downward and its bottom or lower end is pivotally attached to the rock-bar 27, which rock-bar is extended forward, and its forward end provided with the upward bent portion or part 28, which upward bent part is extended so that it can come through the desk portion 6 as illustrated in Fig. 1. The rock-bar 27 is pivotally attached intermediate its ends to one of the side members of the case proper or its equivalent.

For the purpose of preventing the marring of the credit-slip-holding-leaves, and for the purpose of reducing the frictional contact between the upper end of the upward curved portion 28, and the credit-slip-holding-leaves, the anti-friction roller 29 is provided.

For the purpose of normally holding the rock-bar 27 in an elevated position and to automatically bring the rock-bar into an elevated position at its forward end the spring 30 is provided, which spring is connected to the rock-bar 27 and to the desk portion 6 or its equivalent.

The operation of the just above described device is as follows: Let it be assumed that the rock-bar 27 is in the position illustrated in dotted lines Fig. 2, which is its normal position when all of the credit-slip-holding-leaves are in elevated position. The front or forward leaf or any of the leaves designed to be brought into contact with the top of the upward curved portion 28 and upon the roller 29 will lower the forward end of the rock-bar 27 and bring it in the position illustrated in Figs. 1 and 2, which in turn elevates the rear end of the rock-bar 27 and moves the free end of the arm 22 upward by means of the link 26 thereby imparting an intermittent rotating movement to the disk 17 by means of the pawl 23 and the ratchet wheel 28.

In Fig. 6, the pintles 10^a are located above the extreme bottom of the credit slip holding leaf 9, while in Fig. 5, the pintle 10 is illustrated at the extreme bottom.

Having fully described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a credit-cabinet, a case or frame, a removable plate, a series of credit-slip-holding-leaves pivotally attached to said removable plate, means for connecting credit-slips to the leaves, springs connected to the removable plate, and rollers carried by the credit-slip-holding-leaves and located below the pivotal points of the credit-slip-holding-leaves, said rollers adapted for bearing con-

tact upon the springs fixed to the removable plate, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

2. In a credit-cabinet of the class described, a case or frame, a removable plate provided with end flanges, a series of credit-slip holding leaves pivoted to the end flanges of the plate, springs connected to the removable plate and elements carried by the credit-slip-holding-leaves adapted for contact with the springs, said elements located below the pivotal points of the credit-slip-holding-leaves, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony that I claim the above I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two witnesses.

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