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Fig. 1.

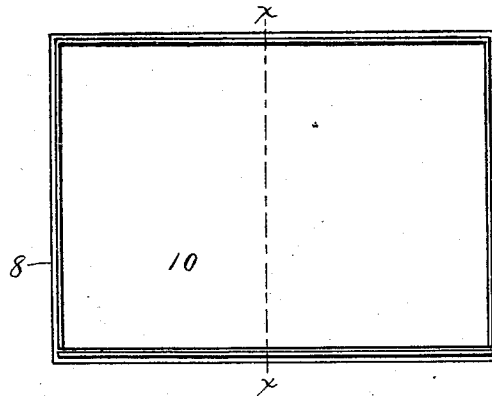


Fig. 2.

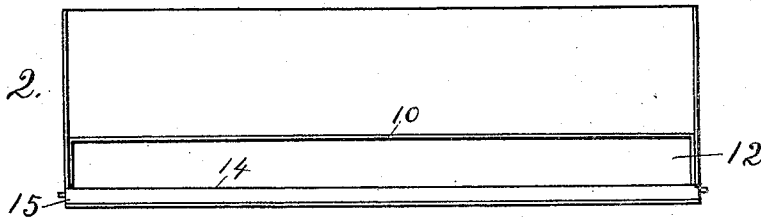


Fig. 3.

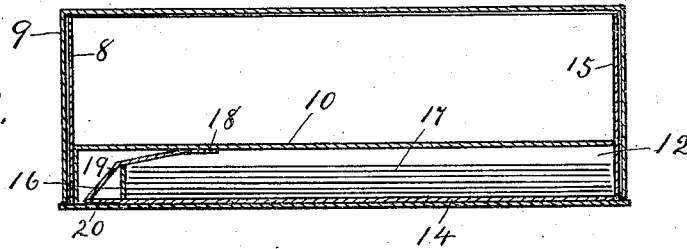


Fig. 4.

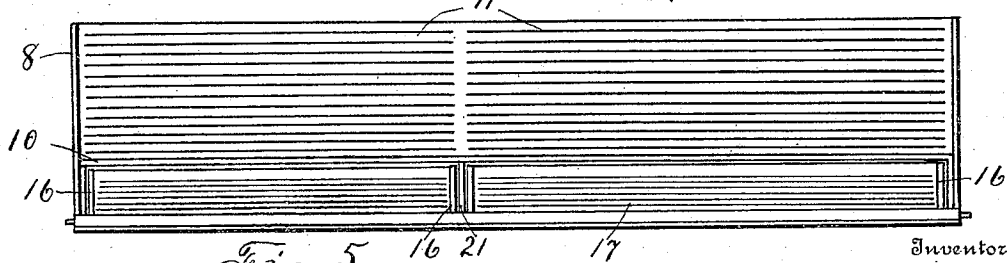
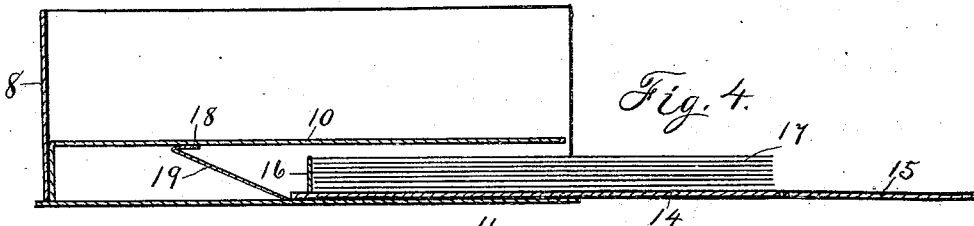


Fig. 5.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT WARD CARROLL, a citizen of the United States, residing at New Brighton, in the county of Richmond and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Boxes, of which the following is a specification.

My invention is an improvement in boxes adapted for holding writing paper and envelopes, in an easily accessible manner.

The accompanying drawing illustrates the device.

Figure 1 is a plan view of a paper box, or papeterie, with the cover off. Fig. 2 is a front elevation of the same, with the front side open. Fig. 3 is an elevation of a cross-section on line $x-x$ of Fig. 1, but with the front side closed and the cover on. Fig. 4 is a similar view with the cover off, the front side open and the slide drawn partly out. Fig. 5 is a front elevation similar to Fig. 2, and showing a vertical partition.

The reference character 8 designates the body of the box constructed in the well known manner. The cover 9 of the box may be hinged thereto, or made separate as desired.

10 is a horizontal partition forming a support for the envelopes 11, and a space 12 for the letter sheets, between said partition and the bottom of the box.

14 denotes a slide or drawer loosely fitting into the space 12, and having the front 15, of the box hinged thereto.

16, 16, are vertical side and rear end pieces on slide 14, which may be omitted if desired. The writing paper 15 lies upon this slide 14, and the front piece 15 serves as a hold by which the slide is drawn forward.

A serious objection to slides or drawers in papeteries is, that the drawer is apt to come entirely out, drop down and spill its contents. I avoid this difficulty by pasting one edge 18, of a piece of paper, or other thin

flexible fabric 19, on the under side of the partition 10 and forward of its rear edge, and its opposite edge 20, on the rear part of the slide 14, as shown in Fig. 3, so that when the drawer is pulled forward, as seen in Fig. 4, it will be stopped by the said fabric 19. This part 19, is made of a substantial width to insure an even tension on the drawer, in order to keep it from becoming wedged in its guides, and longer or shorter as desired to stop the drawer at any predetermined point and to prevent it from coming entirely out.

When it is desirable to provide drawer space for several different sizes of paper I erect a partition 21 from front to back, on the slide or drawer, which extends vertically into contact with the under side of the partition 10, to prevent sagging of that partition, as well as to separate the different sizes of paper. Partitions similar to 21, may be multiplied as found desirable: and so may the partitions 10 and drawers 14, with the stop device already described. But in the latter case a finger hold should be attached to the front of each drawer except the lowest one, which has the box front attached, to be used for pulling out the drawer.

Having described the invention, what I claim is—

A papeterie comprising a box of usual form, a horizontal partition in said box, a drawer movable between the bottom of said box and said partition and a piece of thin flexible material of substantial width having one edge secured to the under side of said partition and its opposite edge secured to the rear part of said drawer, as herein set forth.

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

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