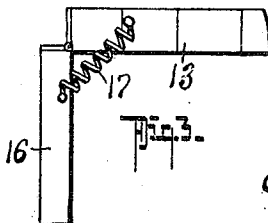
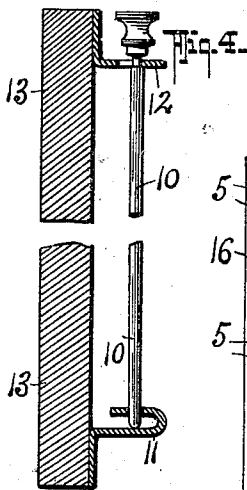
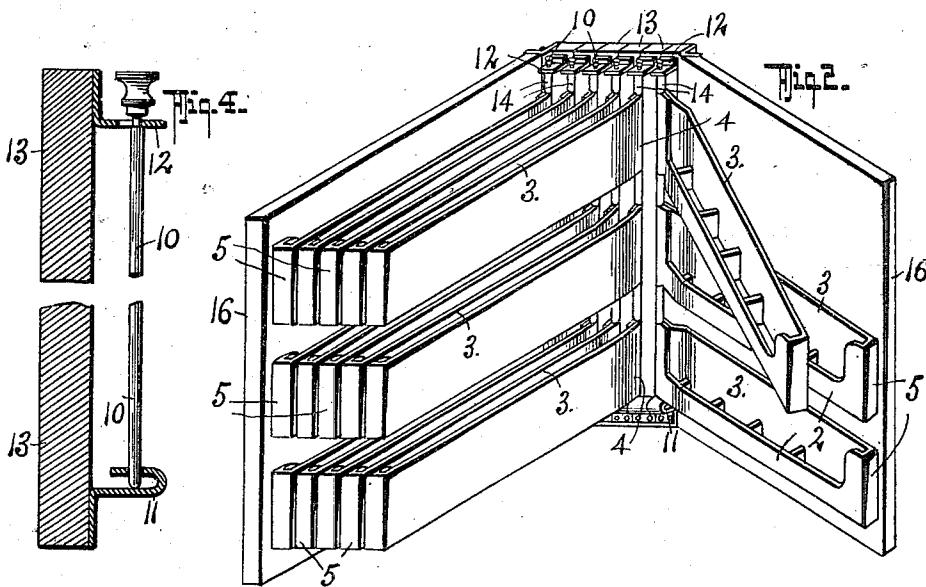
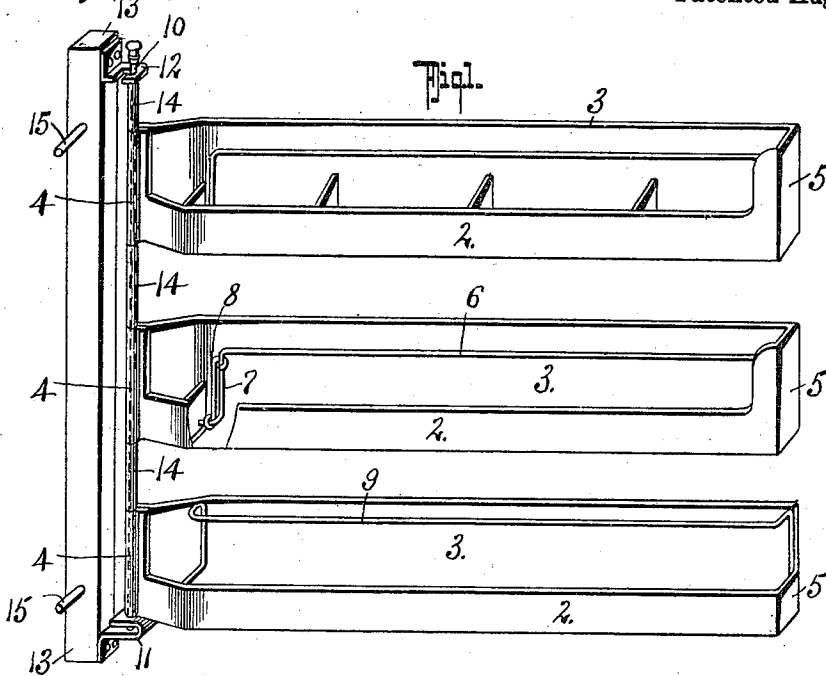


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HARRY HEMMING, citizen of the Dominion of Canada, residing at Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, Canada, have invented a new and useful Pamphlet-Filing Device, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a cabinet for filing advertising circulars or the like, such as are sent out by States, municipalities, railway companies and hotels for the use of the traveling public. A large amount of this literature comes into the possession of hotel proprietors, but for want of means for compactly filing the same where the public can have convenient access to it a considerable proportion of it is relegated to the waste paper basket. It is to meet this requirement that the invention which is the subject of this application has been devised, and in designing it the requirement has been kept in view that to be serviceable the system should be susceptible of expansion to meet increase. These requirements are met by mounting certain pamphlet holding receptacles by one end on vertical hinge rods secured to a corresponding vertical strip of wood. A number of these strips, which with the pamphlet holding receptacles hinged to them, constitute the units of the system, are secured side by side together and the outer ones have covers hinged to them between which doors the interplaced pamphlet holding receptacles are held as leaves in a book.

The invention is particularly described in the following specification, reference being made to the drawings by which it is accompanied, in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a unit of my system showing also alternative variation in the construction of the pamphlet holding receptacles, and Fig. 2, a perspective view showing the cabinet complete, one of the covers being opened to show the pamphlet receptacles therebetween. Fig. 3, a detail of the spring by which the covers are held closed. Fig. 4, an enlarged detail showing the manner of connecting the hinge rod to the back.

In these drawings 2 represents a long, narrow, trough-shaped pamphlet holding receptacle of any thin light material, one of the sides of which is upwardly extended as at 3 to form a back against which the circulars or pamphlets are lightly held in a manner to be explained later. One end of this recep-

tacle is furnished with a tubular hinge eye 4 the width of the trough 2 being tapered toward the eye as shown in the drawing the reason for which will appear later. The outer end of this receptacle 2—3 is bent round, at the height of the back 3, to form a closed end 5, and extending from end to end of the receptacle and bearing against the back of it is a light wire frame 6 the up- rights 7 of which are pivotally mounted in the bottom of the trough and provided with a light spring 8 at each end which tends to press the frame 6 against the back toward the top. This is designed to hold upright thin or loose leaf advertising matter but is not an essential feature of the invention, as where the advertising circulars have a sensible thickness it will not be required. The receptacle then may have a guard wire 9 along the front that will maintain the circulars upright and will not obstruct the view of them. Several of these pamphlet holding receptacles are threaded upon a hinge rod 10 secured to a back supporting member 13 of wood or the like, tubular distance pieces 14 being interposed to maintain them the required distance apart to suit the size of the pamphlet which the receptacles are to be used for. A supply of these tubular distance pieces of different lengths may be furnished for variation as required.

Secured to the lower end of the back member 13 is a step bearing 11 in which the hinge rod 10 is stepped and that will afford it the required support and retain it in place, but that will allow the upper end of the rod to be drawn outward for the removal or rearrangement of the pamphlet holding receptacles 2—3 from the rod, and the upper end of the rod 10 is detachably supported by a light hook bracket 12 secured to the back bar 13 within which hook the rod may be inserted from one side. The end of the rod where it is inserted in the upper hook bracket is provided with a shoulder or groove that will prevent it working out of the step bearing 11 when in use.

The description thus far comprises the unit of which the magazine or cabinet is built up. These units are secured side by side to one another, as shown in Fig. 2 by any suitable means. In the drawing they are shown as secured by means of two small through bolts 15. To each end one is hinged a cover 16 which is provided with a spring hinge that will tend to close the covers on

the interposed pamphlet holders of the several units.

In use the back of the cabinet or magazine is secured in a convenient position either suspended from a wall or adjacent to such on a hotel counter and the covers 16 with their interposed units of pamphlet holding receptacles will normally project outward at right angles to the united supporting members 13 which form the back of the cabinet. So placed the covers may be opened freely to give access to any desired group of pamphlet holding receptacles.

The outside of the covers 16 may have a directory or index of the contents of the cabinet, and the ends 5 of each receptacle will bear a specific reference to the town or railway while along the front face of each receptacle will be indicated the particular hotel, etc., pamphlets of which are within the receptacle behind it.

Instead of a spring hinge closing the covers on the pamphlet holding receptacles a spring 17 may be applied in such a manner as shown in Fig. 3 that when the covers are wide open the spring will retain them in that position but when closed on the pamphlet holding receptacles will exert their strength to hold them closed on one another.

The convenience of such a cabinet will be apparent to any one who has experienced the difficulty of retaining advertising circulars of the class here provided for: for although filing systems have been devised that may afford greater accommodation they do not combine the advantages of compactness and accessibility for reference which has been the object in this invention and that has with these advantages the facility for expansion.

Having now particularly described my invention and the manner of its use, I hereby declare that what I claim as new and desire to be protected in by Letters Patent, is:

1. As a pamphlet filing device, a series of receptacles in which pamphlets may be retained on edge, a plurality of vertical back bars, means for removably hinging said receptacles to said back bars, means for detachably securing a number of the back bars together side by side, and a cover hinged to each outer back bar and provided with springs that will keep the covers on the pamphlet holding receptacles between.

2. In a device of the class described, a series of receptacles in which pamphlets may be inserted on edge, resilient means for holding them together in said receptacles, verti-

cal hinge rods and vertical back bars, means for independently mounting the pamphlet holding receptacles on said vertical hinge rods, means for removably securing the hinge rods to said vertical back bars, means for removably securing a number of the vertical back bars together side by side, a cover hinged to each end back bar and means tending to hold the covers on the interposed pamphlet holding receptacles.

3. As a pamphlet filing device, a series of receptacles in which pamphlets may be retained on edge, a plurality of parallelly disposed hinged rods, means removably hinging such receptacles on said rods, a back, means removably securing said hinge rods to said back, and covers hinged to each side of said back and having a normal tendency to close on the interposed pamphlet receptacles.

4. As a pamphlet filing device, a series of receptacles in which pamphlets may be retained, a number of vertically disposed parallel hinge bars, means for hinging said receptacles on said hinge bars, a back consisting of a number of back bars removably secured together, means securing the several hinge bars to the respective ones of said back bars, each of the latter being a component of a unit, and covers hinged to the outer ones of said back bars.

5. A pamphlet filing device composed of a plurality of units, each of said units consisting of a back bar, a hinge bar mounted on said back bar, and a plurality of pamphlet holding receptacles hingedly mounted on said hinge bars, and means for securing the back bars of all the units together to form an integral structure.

6. A pamphlet filing device composed of a plurality of units, each of said units consisting of a back bar, a hinge bar mounted on said back bar, a plurality of pamphlet holding receptacles hingedly mounted on said hinge bars, means for securing the back bars of all the units together to form an integral structure, covers hinged to the outer ones of said back bars, and means continuously tending to hold said covers closed on the interposed receptacles.

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

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