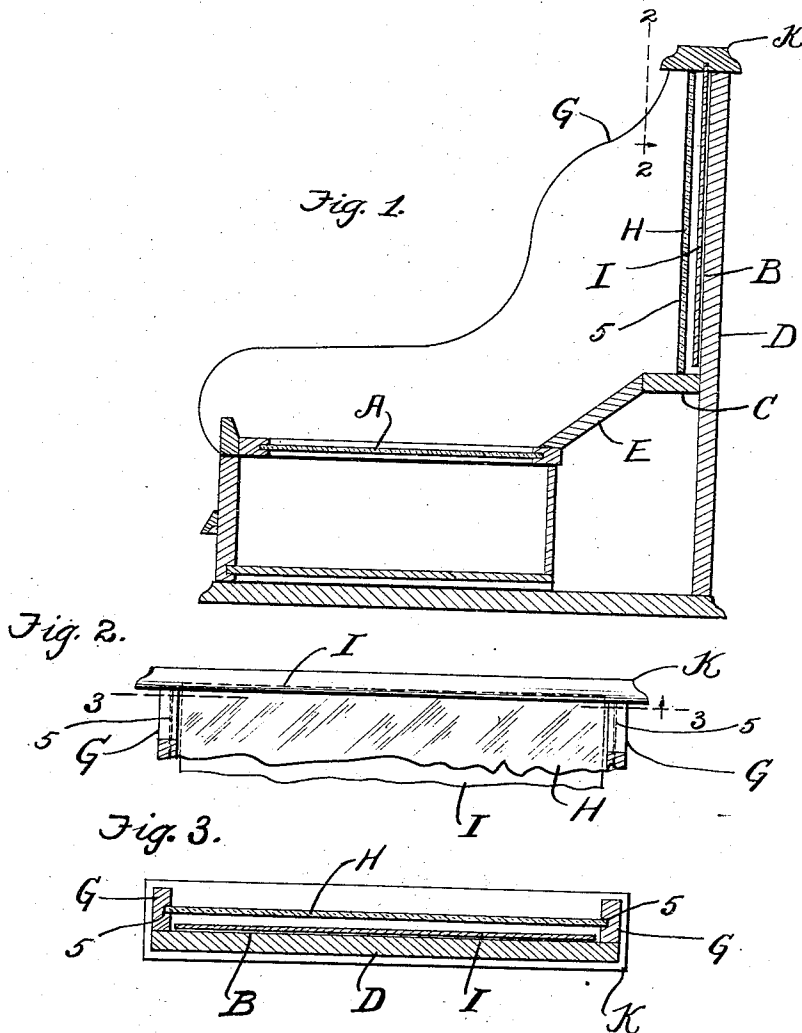


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH MILLER, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Cleveland, in the county of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cabinets for Bill-Files; and I hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to improvements in cabinets for bill-files, and pertains more especially to a cabinet having a substantially horizontally arranged seat for a bill-file and provided also with an index-holder adapted to carry an index-card which is used in connection with the use of the bill-file.

The primary object of this invention is to provide a chamber extending from side to side of the cabinet and having a transparent front wall and arranged a suitable distance above and rearwardly of the said seat and engaged by a forwardly facing index-holder adapted to hold an index-card and exhibit the index-card at the rear of the said transparent wall.

Another object is to form the said transparent wall by a glass slide which engages upright laterally spaced slideways and is removable upwardly from the said slideways for cleaning and other purposes.

Another object is to provide a cover or lid for the said chamber for excluding dust and dirt from the said chamber and to attach the index-holder to the said lid so that the index-holder is rendered removable from the chamber with the lid.

With these objects in view, and to the end of realizing any other advantages herein-after appearing, this invention consists in certain features of construction, and combinations of parts hereinafter described, pointed out in the claims and illustrated in the accompanying drawings.

In the said drawings, Figure 1 is a side view in vertical section of a cabinet embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a vertical section on line 2—2, Fig. 1, looking rearwardly. Fig. 3 is a horizontal section on line 3—3, Fig. 2, looking upwardly.

My improved cabinet is provided in the usual manner with a substantially horizontally arranged seat A for a bill-file (not shown) and is provided a suitable distance above and rearwardly of the said seat with

a chamber B whose bottom C is preferably formed by a substantially horizontally arranged wooden bar which is glued or otherwise secured to the back D of the cabinet, which back consists preferably of a wooden piece and forms the rear wall of the said chamber. The bottom C is connected by a diagonally arranged bar or piece E with the seat A at the rear end of the said seat.

The side walls of the chamber B are preferably formed by two substantially vertically arranged laterally spaced parallel wooden side pieces G arranged at opposite sides respectively of the cabinet and extending a suitable distance forwardly of the front wall H of the said chamber. The wall H is formed preferably by a glass or transparent plate which forms a slide and engages at its side edges with grooves or slideways 5 formed in the inner sides of the side pieces G. The grooves 5 extend from the bar or bottom C to the upper extremities of the side pieces G and are therefore open at their upper ends, and the plate or slide loosely engages the said slideways to permit its withdrawal upwardly from the slideways and consequently from the cabinet for cleaning or other purposes.

The chamber B is closed at its upper end by a cover or lid K which rests upon the upper ends of the back or rear wall D and the side walls or side pieces G.

Rigid with the lid K is an index-holder which consists preferably of a plate or slab I of wood or other material, which slab or plate is glued or otherwise secured to the said lid and depends from the under side of the lid into the rear portion of the chamber B and is adapted to receive at its forward side an index-card (not shown) to be used in connection with the bill-file for which the seat A forms a support as already indicated. Any index-card with which the index-holder is to be provided at its forward side is secured to the forward side of the slab or plate I in any approved manner, and the location of the index-holder within the rear portion of the chamber B accommodates the location within the said chamber of the index-card and the exhibition of the latter at the rear side of the transparent front wall of the chamber where the index-card is not only out of the way but in front of the person referring to the bill-file, and consequently where it can always be readily and conveniently referred to. Furthermore,

the index-holder, being rigid with the lid K, is removable from the cabinet with the said lid to accommodate renewal or replacement of the index-card to be carried by the index-holder.

By the construction hereinbefore described it will be observed that in my improved cabinet two substantially vertically arranged laterally spaced slideways are formed a suitable distance forwardly of the back D and at the front of the chamber B and rearwardly of and above the seat A and arranged at opposite sides respectively of the cabinet and engaged by a transparent slide which engages and is removable upwardly from the slideways and forms the front wall of the chamber, and that the index-holder is arranged between the slide and the back and removable with the lid K from the chamber formed between the back and the slide.

What I claim is:—

1. In a cabinet for a bill-file, a seat for a bill-file; a chamber arranged rearwardly of and extending above the said seat, which chamber has a transparent front wall; a lid for closing the said chamber at the upper end, and an index-holder connected to and removable with the lid and extending from the lid into the chamber.

2. In a cabinet for a bill-file, a seat for a

bill-file; a back arranged rearwardly of and extending above the said seat; two upright laterally spaced slideways formed a suitable distance forwardly of the back and arranged at opposite sides respectively of the cabinet; a transparent slide engaging the said slideways and removable upwardly from the cabinet; a lid closing the upper end of the chamber, and an index-holder connected to and removable with the lid.

3. In a cabinet for a bill-file, a seat for a bill-file; a back arranged rearwardly of and extending above the said seat; two upright laterally spaced slideways formed a suitable distance forwardly of the back and arranged at opposite sides respectively of the cabinet; a transparent slide engaging the said slideways and removable upwardly from the cabinet; an index-holder arranged between the slide and the back, and a lid closing the upper end of the chamber, said lid bearing the index-holder.

In testimony whereof, I sign the foregoing specification, in the presence of two witnesses.

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