

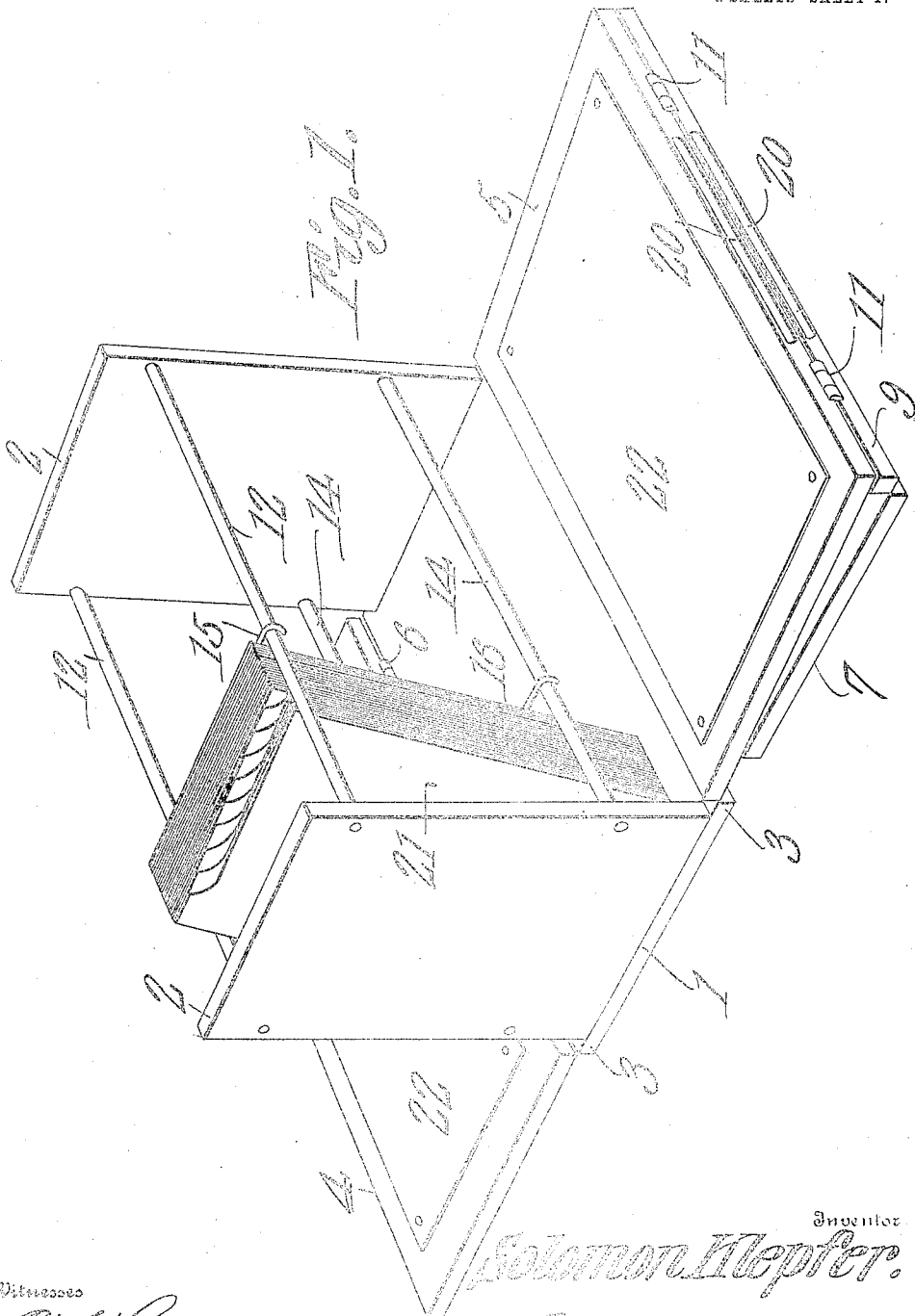
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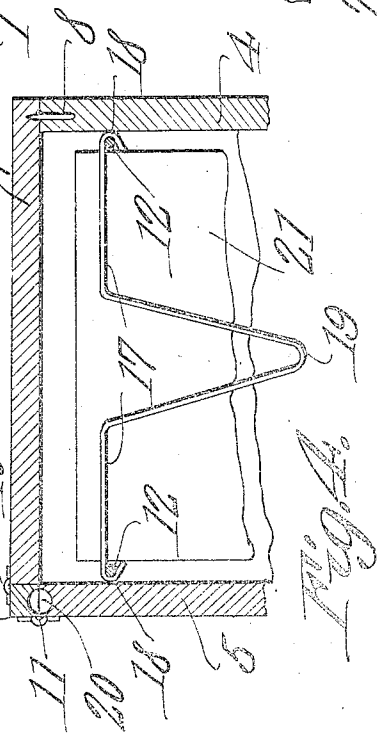
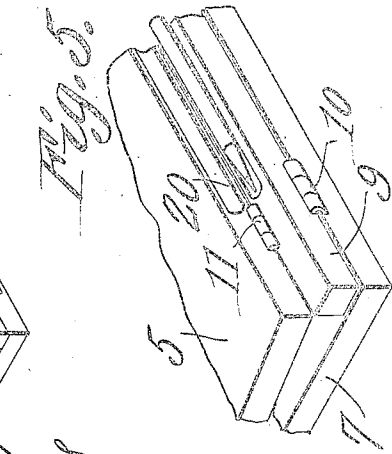
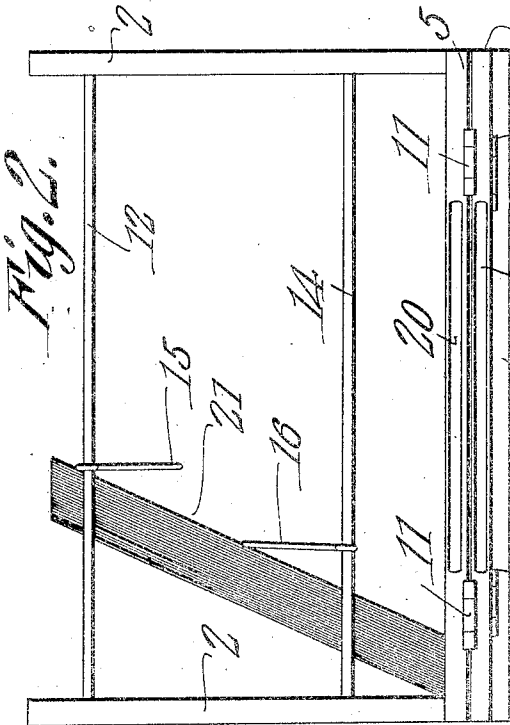
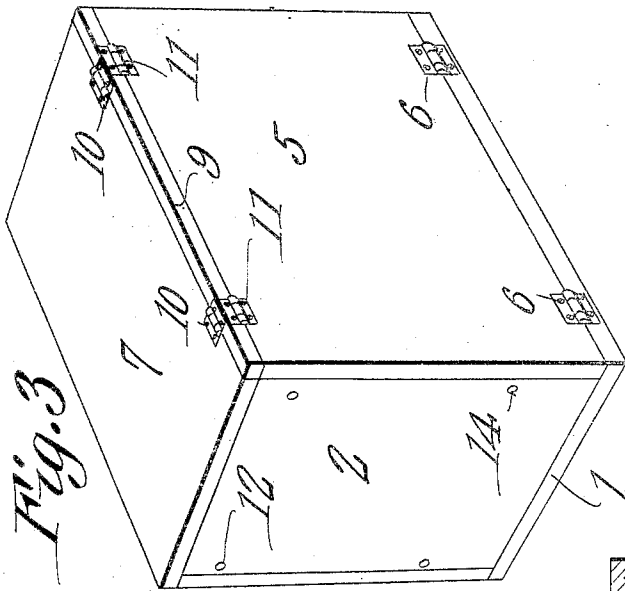
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SOLOMON KLEPPER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Indianapolis, in the county of Marion and State of Indiana, have invented a new and useful Filing-Cabinet, of which the following is a specification.

It is the object of this invention to provide a filing cabinet the closure of which comprises hingedly connected parts, adapted to be disposed in small compass when not exercising their function as a closure.

Another object of the invention is to provide a filing cabinet for cards, provided with means whereby the tops of the cards may be supported adjacent their edges, the intermediate portions of the cards being supported at a point between their edges.

Another object of the invention is to provide, in a filing cabinet, means whereby the cards contained therein may be disposed at any desired angle to facilitate their examination.

Another object of the invention is to provide an improved keeper for a filing cabinet.

Another object of the invention is to provide a filing cabinet having hingedly connected closure parts so constructed that they may house between them, a pencil or the like.

With the above and other objects in view, the invention consists in the novel construction and arrangement of parts hereinafter described, delineated in the drawings, and claimed, it being understood, that, within the scope of what is claimed, changes may be made, without departing from the spirit of the invention.

Similar numerals of reference are employed to denote corresponding parts throughout the several figures of the drawings.

In the accompanying drawings,—Figure 1 is a perspective, showing the filing cabinet open; Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the cabinet disposed in the form shown in Fig. 1; Fig. 3 is a perspective showing the cabinet closed; Fig. 4 is a fragmental transverse section; and Fig. 5 is a fragmental perspective designed to show certain incidental functions of the closure parts.

The invention includes, as a primary element, a bottom 1, to which are secured upstanding ends 2. The ends 2 are somewhat narrower than the bottom 1, so that the said bottom outstands beyond them, as denoted by the numeral 3 in Fig. 1. The sides 4 and

5 rest upon these outstanding portions 3 of the bottom, the construction being such, that, when the parts are disposed as shown in Fig. 3, the lateral faces of the cabinet will be flush from top to bottom. Hinges 6, disposed upon the exterior faces of the sides 4 and 5, unite the said sides with the outstanding portions 3 of the bottom. The top 7 rests upon the upper edges of the ends 2 and the side 4, the top terminating, however, in alinement with the inner face of the side 5, to define a rectangularly formed space between the adjacent edge faces of the members 5 and 7. A rectangular strip 9 fits into this space, and is secured by hinges 10 to the upper face of the top 7, and by hinges 11 to the outer face of the side 5, there being an upstanding pin 8 in the upper edge of the side 4, adapted to be received in a suitable opening in the lower face of the top 7.

Owing to the form of the strip 9 and the manner in which it is connected with the side 5 and the top 7, the said parts may readily be disposed as shown in Fig. 1 of the drawings, the top 7 being swung into an out-of-the-way position beneath the side 5, when the device is in use. It should be noted that, in the abutting edges of the parts 5 and 9, there are longitudinal, cooperating grooves 20. If desired, the strip 9 may be disposed as shown in Fig. 5 of the drawings, to position the groove 20 therein in a horizontal position. This groove is then adapted to receive a pencil, forming a convenient rack for the same when the filing cabinet is open. When the parts 5 and 7 are closed together, as shown in Fig. 4, the grooves 20 in the abutting edges of the said parts, unite to form a receptacle adapted to house the pencil.

The end walls 2 are connected by a pair of spaced rods 12, there being beneath the rods 12 and in alinement with them, another pair of rods 14. Depending keepers 15, slide frictionally upon the rods 12, and upstanding keepers 16 slide frictionally upon the rods 14. These keepers are identical in structure, although positioned differently, and a description of but a single keeper as shown in Fig. 4 will suffice.

The keeper is fashioned from a single piece of material, preferably wire, and consists of two co-axial, oppositely extended end portions 17 connected by an outstanding U shaped part 19, the extremities of the portions 17 being bent to form elements adapted

to engage frictionally, the rods 12 and 14, the said elements being shown in the form of hooks 18. The portion 19 of the upper keeper 15 depends, while the corresponding portion of the lower keeper 16 upstand, as shown in Fig. 2. These keepers are adapted to receive the cards 21 of the index, and when the cards are mounted in place, they will be supported adjacent their upper ends, by the portion 17 of the upper keeper 15, and supported, intermediate their ends, and along their longitudinal centers, by the extremity of the upstanding portion 19 of the keeper 16. Owing to the manner in which the keepers 15 and 16 thus cooperate in supporting the cards, the cards will be prevented from bending or altering their shape. Each keeper is slidable, independently of the other, and, by this construction, the cards may, as shown in Fig. 2, be tilted at any desired angle, so that they may readily be leafed and examined. Upon the sides 4 and 5 there may be mounted tablets, or sheets of paper, denoted by the numeral 22, upon which any desired memoranda may be made. Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is:—

1. A filing cabinet for cards, provided with cooperating card-receiving keepers having individual sliding adjustment in spaced horizontal planes.

2. A filing cabinet for cards, comprising vertically spaced pairs of rods; and a card-receiving keeper slidably adjustable upon each pair.

3. A filing cabinet for cards, comprising vertically spaced card-receiving keepers having individual sliding adjustment, the upper of said keepers being arranged to support the cards at their edges, and the lower of said keepers being arranged to support the cards intermediate their edges.

4. A filing cabinet for cards, comprising

vertically spaced pairs of rods; and a card-receiving keeper slidably adjustable upon each pair, the upper of said keepers being arranged to support the cards at their edges, and the lower of said keepers being arranged to support the cards intermediate their edges.

5. A filing cabinet for cards, provided with cooperating card-receiving keepers having individual sliding adjustment in spaced horizontal planes, each keeper comprising co-axial end portions and an outstanding central portion; the central portions of the keepers being extended toward each other.

6. A filing cabinet for cards comprising spaced pairs of rods; and a card-receiving keeper slidably adjustable upon each pair, each keeper being fashioned from a single piece of wire and comprising co-axial end portions terminating in elements to engage the rods frictionally, and an outstanding central portion; the central portions of the keepers being extended toward each other.

7. A filing cabinet comprising a movable top; a fixed bottom; a side hinged to the bottom; and a strip to fill the angle between the side and the top, the strip being hingedly connected with the side and the top.

8. A filing cabinet comprising a movable top; a fixed bottom; a side hinged to the bottom; and a strip to fill the angle between the side and the top, the strip being hingedly connected with the side and the top; the strip and the top being provided in their abutting edges with longitudinal cooperating grooves, located within the contour of the strip and the top.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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