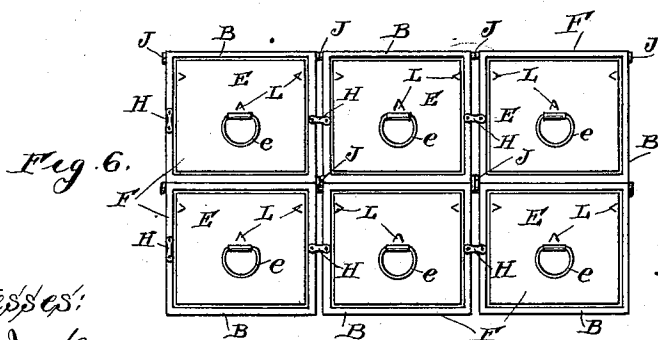
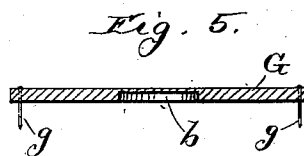
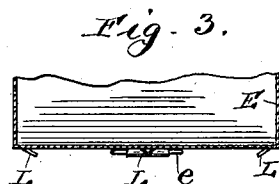
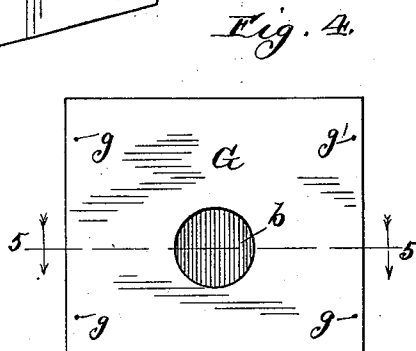
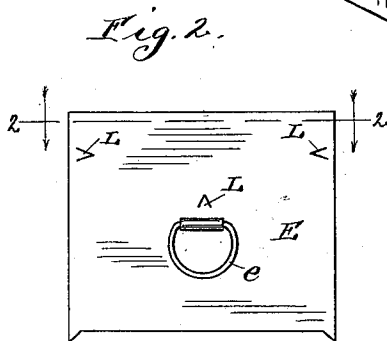
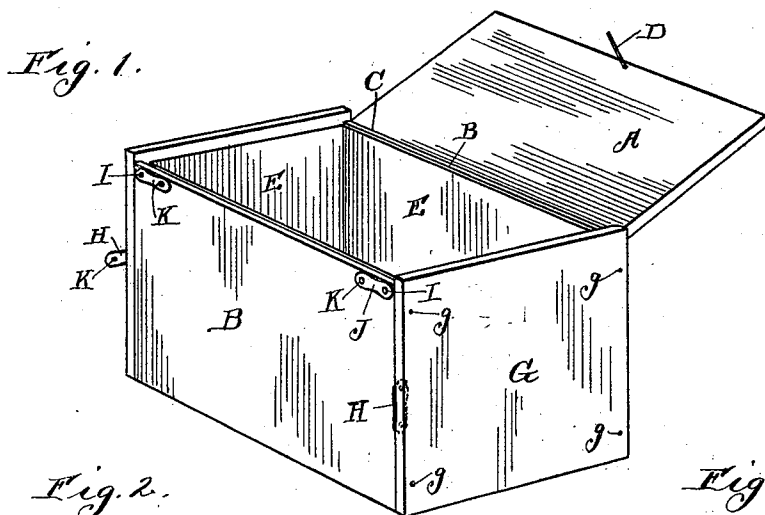


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, SAMUEL M. FRIEDE, a resident of St. Louis, in the State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Combined Cigar-Box and Adjustable Knockdown Cabinet, of which the following, when taken in connection with the drawings accompanying and forming a part hereof, is a full and complete description, sufficient to enable those skilled in the art to understand, make, and use the same.

The object of the invention is to obtain an adjustable knockdown cabinet the elements whereof shall form packages, and preferably cigar-boxes, when the cabinet is not put up, in which goods may be sold in the same manner as when packed in the usual manner.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of an open cigar-box embodying my invention; Fig. 2, an end elevation of the file-box inclosed within the cigar-box; Fig. 3, a horizontal sectional view of the end of the file-box illustrated in end elevation in Fig. 2, on line 3 3 of such Fig. 2, viewed in the direction indicated by the arrows; Fig. 4, an elevation, viewed from the inside, of the end of the cigar-box fitting over the end of the file-box which is illustrated in Figs. 2 and 3; and Fig. 5 is a horizontal sectional view on line 5 5 of Fig. 4, viewed in the direction indicated by the arrows. Fig. 6 is a front elevation of a cabinet built up of several cigar-boxes like the one illustrated in Fig. 1, one end of such cigar-boxes being removed before building up the cabinet.

A reference-letter applied to a given part is used to designate such part throughout the several figures of the drawings wherever the same appears.

When the apparatus embodying my invention is used as a cigar-box, (such being, as stated, its preferable use when not forming an element in a cabinet,) the top A of the box B is opened on hinge C, such hinge being ordinarily composed of flexible material, as cloth, and such top A being tacked to the box B by nail D, and the contents of the receptacle and drawer E are taken therefrom in the ordinary manner. When such apparatus is used as an element of a cabinet, as F,

Fig. 6, the combined receptacle and drawer E is withdrawn from the cabinet in the common way of sliding drawers from out the case thereof. To enable me to accomplish this purpose, the receptacle and drawer E has on one end thereof the handle *e*, and the end G of the box B has recess *b* therein fitting over such handle *e* when such end G is secured on the box B (and forming a part thereof) by the nails *g g g*.

When the apparatus embodying my invention is to be used as an element of a cabinet, the cover A is secured to box B by nail D (with additional nails if desired) and the end G of such box is removed and thrown to waste. Adjacent boxes B B are secured together by catches H I, the boxes B B on the same row being secured together by catch H at the back end of such boxes, and boxes on one row to the boxes above and below it by catches J J. Catches H H are secured in place on the box B by a single nail I, and when the box is used as an element in a cabinet such catches are turned on the nails I, respectively, and additional nails extended through the holes K K and driven into the adjacent box.

L L are punched-up projections on the front end of receptacle and drawer E, by means of which a card or other article may be secured thereon when it is used as an element of a cabinet.

It will be observed that when a cigar-box is constructed embodying my invention not only is there obtained a very desirable cigar-receptacle, but after the cigars are used therefrom such cigar-box, with the exception of end G, can be utilized to form the case of the cabinet F, of which the receptacles E E are the drawers. It is to be particularly observed that so long as the end G is in place on the box B (and forming a part of such box) the receptacle E cannot be removed from the box, because handle *e*, fitting into recess *b*, forms a lock holding such receptacle in the box, while the removal of end G exposes handle *e*, so that the same may be readily grasped by the person desiring to remove the drawer formed by such receptacle E.

Other catches may be substituted for

catches H J, but such ones can be stamped from sheet metal at small cost, and they are preferred by me.

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

1. The combination of a box having a hinged cover with an inner receptacle having no cover and having a handle at one end thereof by which it may be drawn longitudinally, the end of the outer box adjacent to the handle having a recess into which the handle fits; whereby when the end of the box is in place the inner receptacle cannot be withdrawn therefrom, and when the cover is closed and the end of the box removed such inner receptacle can be removed therefrom by sliding it longitudinally; substantially as described.

2. The combination of a box, a cover, a flexible connection between the cover and the box and means for securing the cover closed, with an inner receptacle having a bottom, sides and ends and a handle for moving such receptacle longitudinally on one of the ends; such inner receptacle fitting into the box and such box having a recess in one end thereof in which the handle extends when such end is secured in place on the box, whereby the inner receptacle is locked in the

box until the end thereof is removed and can then be removed therefrom by sliding it longitudinally; substantially as described.

3. The combination of a box having a bottom, sides and ends, and a hinged cover, with an inner receptacle; such box having one end thereof removable, and catches on the box, whereby, when the end of the box is removed adjacent boxes may be secured together, with means for withdrawing the inner receptacle from the box after such removal of the end thereof and means for locking the inner receptacle in the box when such end is in place on the box; substantially as described.

4. A box consisting of a bottom, sides, ends and a pivotally-hinged cover, one of the ends of the box removable therefrom, in combination with an inner receptacle fitting in the box, means whereby the inner receptacle is locked in the box when the removable end thereof is secured in place thereon, and means for removing such inner receptacle from the box when such removable end is taken off the box; substantially as described.

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