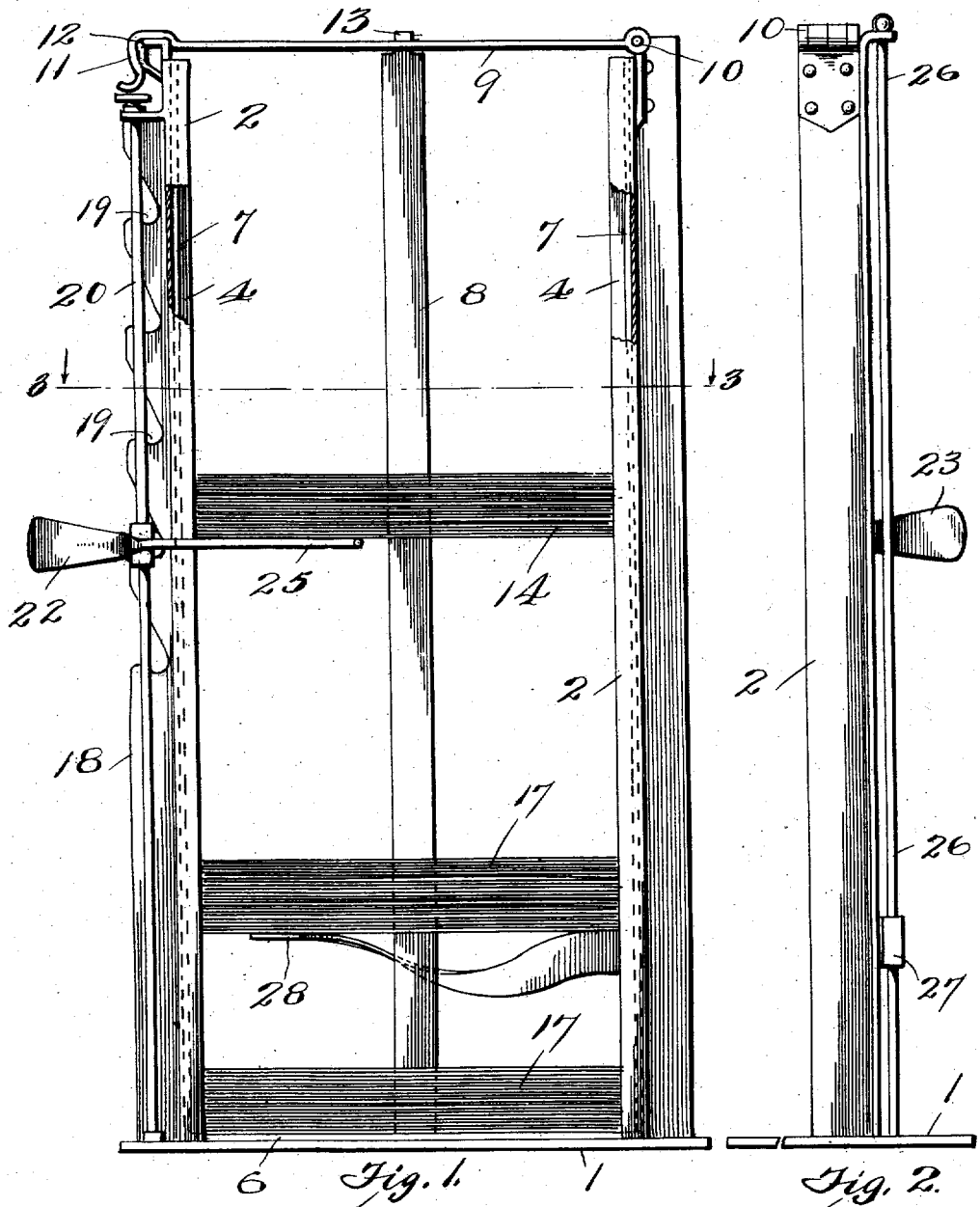


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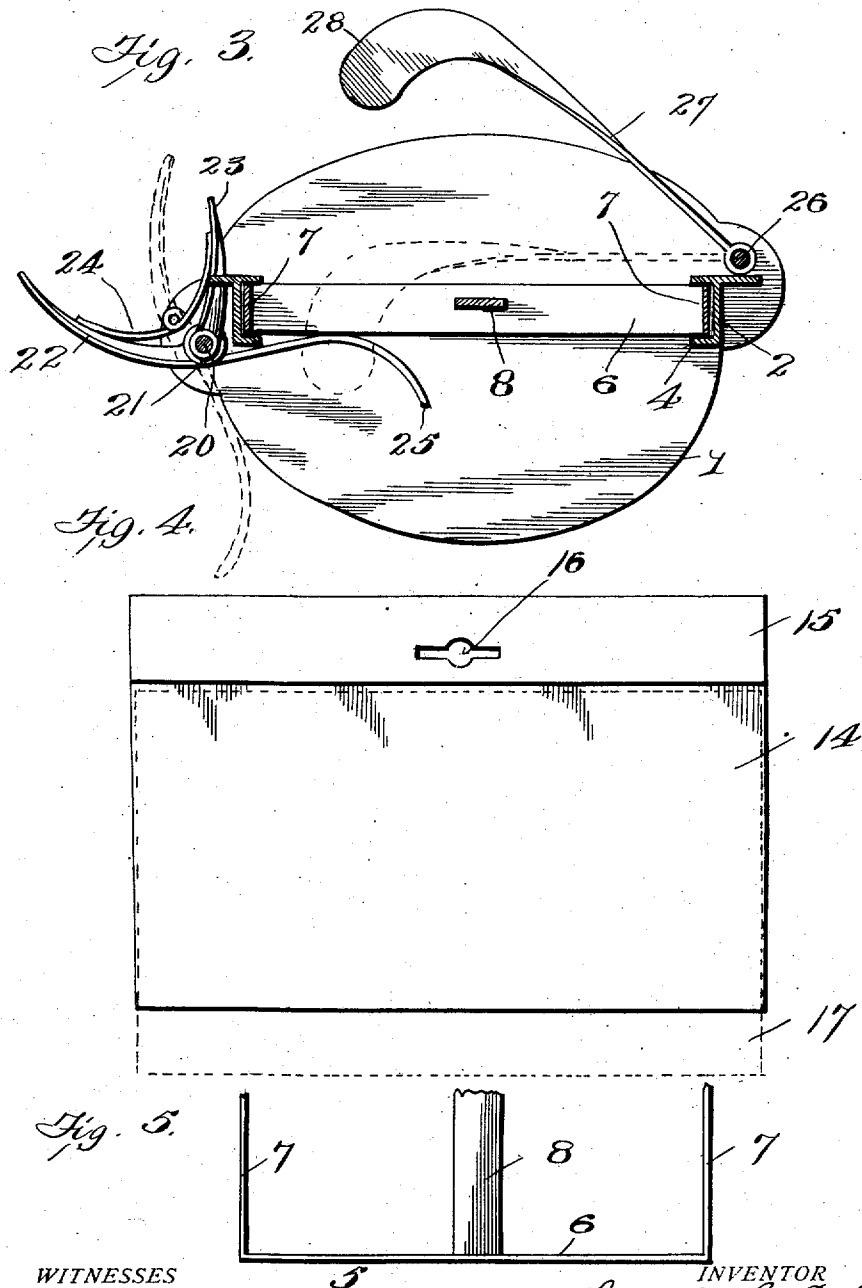
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SETRAK G. EGHAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Ogden, in the county of Weber and State of Utah, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Prescription-Files, of which the following is a specification.

Among the principal objects of this invention are to provide a file stand with a removable frame which can be removed when filled and replaced by an empty frame; to adapt a file for use with an improved form of file stub to which prescriptions may be secured after they are received; and to provide adjustable separating and indexing devices for separating and classifying the contents of the file.

The characteristics and advantages of the invention are hereafter fully set forth in connection with a detailed description of the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a front view of the file with parts of the uprights broken away; Fig. 2 an edge elevation of Fig. 1; Fig. 3 a transverse section on line 3—3, Fig. 1; Fig. 4 a view of a stub to be used with the file; and Fig. 5 a detail of the bottom portion of the removable frame.

Reference numeral 1 designates a base, 2, 2, uprights secured to the base having channels 4 formed in their confronting faces, 5 the general designation of a removable frame consisting of a bottom piece 6, side pieces 7, which may if desired be continuous with the bottom, and a central vertical spindle 8 connected with the bottom piece. The removable frame 5 is inserted in the channels of uprights 2 and slid down until the bottom piece 6 rests on base 1. The side pieces 7 are then concealed within channels 4.

9 is a cross-piece or latch hinged at 10 to one of the uprights and provided at the other end with a hook 11 adapted to be sprung over a projection 12 on the other upright. 13 is a prong of reduced size at the top of spindle 8, passing through a hole provided for it in latch 9 when the latch is closed. The latch serves to retain the removable frame in position.

The base 1, uprights 2, latch 9, etc., are sometimes referred to for identification as the "file stand" or "stand". The removable frame which constitutes the file proper is sometimes identified as the "file".

Supposing the latch to be unhooked and thrown back and a spindle inserted in the file, stubs 14 to the desired number up to the capacity of the file are placed on spindle 8. The stubs, which are usually of paper, may have one edge 15 doubled over, although this is not essential. Centrally near the edge the stubs have perforations 16 to accommodate the spindle. A number of frames 5 may, of course, be provided, and these may be filled with stubs in advance, ready for insertion in the file when desired. The prescriptions are filed by pasting them to the stubs in order as they are received. In Fig. 4 a prescription blank 17 is indicated in dotted lines in the position in which it is pasted upon the stub.

It is important to provide means for readily separating unfilled stubs from the filled ones. For this purpose one of the uprights 2 is provided with a flange 18, which has ratchet-like notches 19. A vertical rod 20 is secured adjacent to the flange and a clip 21 is slidably mounted on the rod. The clip consists of two wings or finger pieces 22, 23, each pivoted upon the rod and pressed apart by a spring 24. The finger 25 is connected to move with wing 22 and wing 23 is so disposed that with the parts in the position shown in Fig. 3 it rests in one of the notches 19. In this position finger 25 is relatively close to spindle 8 and supports the empty stubs 14 which rest upon it, separating them from the filled stubs at the bottom of the file. To release one or more of the stubs for filling it, the finger pieces 22, 23 are pressed together, thereby swinging finger 25 away from beneath the stubs and permitting the desired number to be dropped toward the bottom of the file. As the stubs are used clip 21 may be moved up so that finger piece 23 engages other and higher notches 19. A second vertical rod 26 is secured near the other upright 2 and in this rod is mounted pivotally and also to slide vertically an arm 27, the end of which is bent over to form a marker 28. This is used when any particular prescription has been found in the file to mark the place as long as may be desired. The marker is shown in position in Fig. 1, separating the prescriptions and indicating one that is desired for use. The arm may be readily adjusted to any desired height by moving it up or down on rod 26. When one of the removable frames has been filled

by placing prescriptions on all the stubs, it is to be removed and another frame loaded with empty stubs put in its place.

Having described my invention, I claim:

5 1. The combination of a file stand including a base, uprights and a latch, and a removable file comprising a bottom piece, members adapted to engage the uprights of the stand and a spindle adapted to receive a
10 plurality of stubs.

2. In a file, the combination of a base, two
channeled uprights thereon, a removable
frame comprising two side pieces resting in
the channels, a bottom piece connecting them
15 and resting on the base, and a spindle rising
centrally from the base, and a latch hinged
to one of the uprights and engaging the
other to hold the frame in position.

3. In a file, the combination of a base, two
20 channeled uprights thereon, a removable
frame comprising two side pieces resting in
the channels, a bottom piece connecting
them and resting on the base, and a spindle
rising centrally from the base, a latch
25 hinged to one of the uprights and engaging
the other to hold the frame in position, and
a vertically adjustable clip for holding stubs
carried by the spindle.

4. In a file, the combination of a base, two
30 channeled uprights thereon, a removable
frame comprising two side pieces resting in
the channels, a bottom piece connecting
them and resting on the base, a spindle rising
centrally from the base, a latch hinged
35 to one of the uprights and engaging the
other to hold the frame in position, a
notched flange on one of the uprights, a rod
adjacent to the flange, a clip mounted on the
flange comprising two spring-separated

pieces, one of which is adapted to engage
the notches, and a finger rigid with the
other finger piece and serving to support
40 stubs carried by the spindle.

5. In a file, the combination of a base, two
channeled uprights thereon, a removable
45 frame comprising two side pieces resting in
the channels, a bottom piece connecting
them and resting on the base, a spindle rising
centrally from the base, a latch hinged
to one of the uprights and engaging the
50 other to hold the frame in position, a
notched flange on one of the uprights, a rod
adjacent to the flange, a clip mounted on the
flange comprising two spring-separated finger
55 pieces, one of which is adapted to engage
the notches, a finger rigid with the
other finger piece and serving to support
stubs carried by the spindle, another rod
adjacent to one of the uprights, and a marker
60 pivoted on the rod and vertically adjustable
for retaining the desired place among filled
stubs carried by the spindle.

6. In combination with a file stand, a file
removably mounted in said stand and provided
with a spindle for supporting a plu-
65 rality of stubs, and a latch adapted to secure
the file within the file stand and to lock the
stubs upon the spindle.

7. In a file, a base and uprights thereon, a
removable frame engaged between the up-
70 rights, a spindle carried by said frame, and
an adjustable marker supported from the
base and adapted to engage stubs carried on
the spindle.

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