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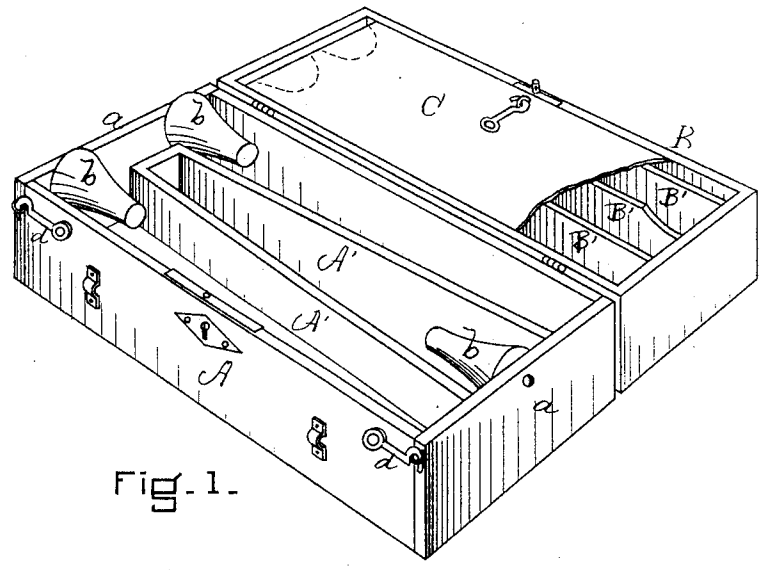


Fig. 1.

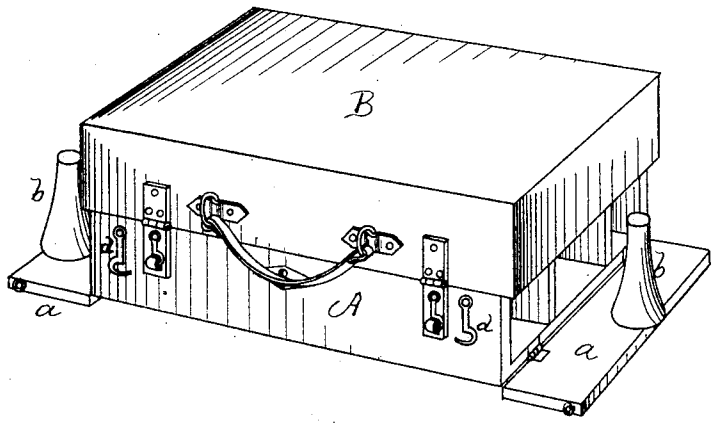


Fig. 2.

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CLARIONET-CASE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. CUNDY, of Boston, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Clarionet-Cases, of which the following is a specification.

In the accompanying drawings, in which similar letters of reference indicate like parts, Figures 1 and 2 are perspective views of my improved clarionet-case in two positions, below explained.

A and B are the two parts of the clarionet-case, separated by a partition, C, (shown broken out in Fig. 1,) the part A being provided with partitions A′, as usual, for accommodating the bells of three clarionets, and the part B being provided with the usual partitions, B′, for the accommodation of the upper joints of three clarionets. The parts A and B are hinged together, as usual.

It is common for musicians to carry three clarionets—viz., "A," "B," and "C" clarionets—when they are to play upon any occasion. When a clarionet is changed, often hastily, for another during the performance it is placed upon the floor, bell downward, so that there are two or three clarionets standing on the floor, ready to be taken up and used at all times. The danger is of one or all being knocked over and injured, as is frequently the case. Hence in my invention I have hinged the ends *a* *a* to the bottom of the part A of the case, and rigidly secured to said end pieces, *a*, supporting blocks or forms *b*, adapted to fit into the bells of the clarionets. When the clarionets are packed the end pieces, *a*, are held in the positions shown in Fig. 1 by hooks *d*, or similar devices, and the blocks *b* lie in the bells. When the clarionets have been taken out and are to be used the hooks *d* are unclasped, the end pieces, *a*, allowed to drop down, and the remainder of the case shut, so that the case is in the position shown in Fig. 2. The clarionets may then be placed on the supporting blocks or forms *b* by means of their bells, which fit over them, and there remain in safety until they are needed.

Of course I do not confine myself to the number of blocks *b*, as there may be one or more, according to the capacity of the case; but one end may be hinged and the other made rigid, if desired.

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

A clarionet-case provided with one or more hinged ends, *a*, said ends having supporting blocks or forms *b* secured thereto, substantially as and for the purpose herein set forth.

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