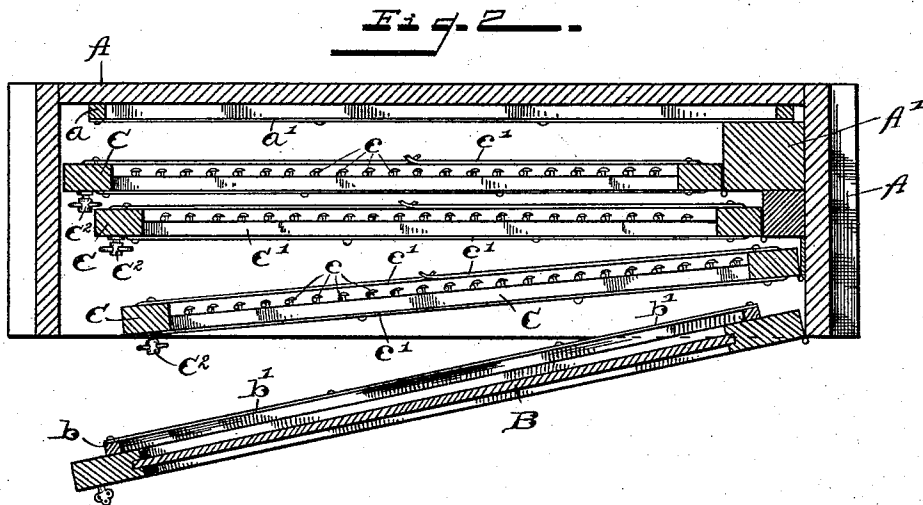
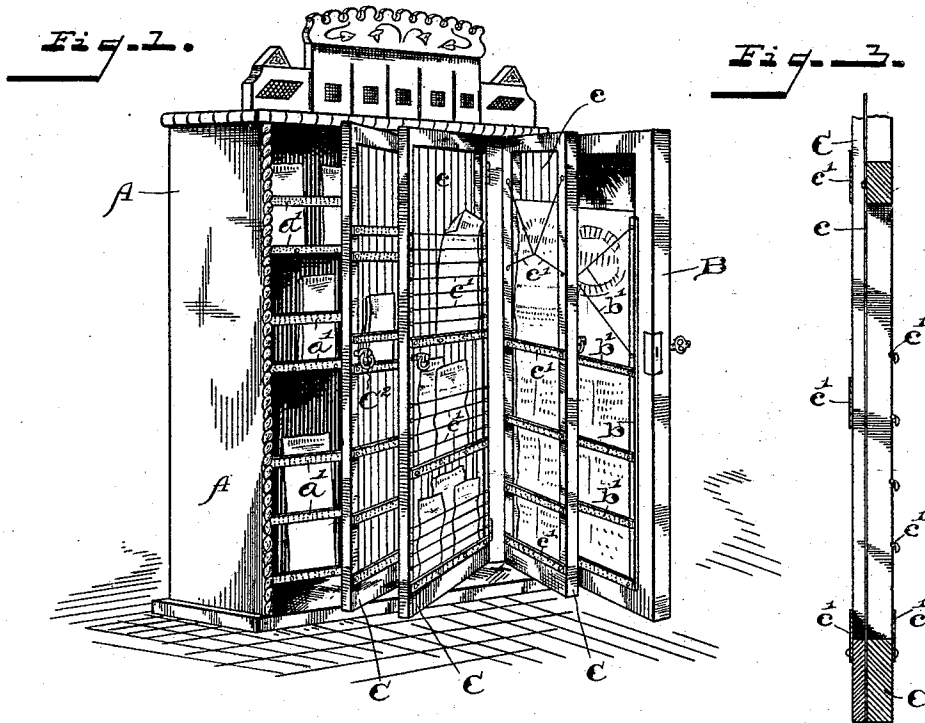


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PERRY FRAIZER, a citizen of the United States, residing at New Castle, in the county of Henry and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Filing and Supply Cases, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my said invention is to produce a case in which blanks, stationery, and such like articles may be kept in such a condition that they may be easily recognized as soon as the case is opened without the necessity of handling and at the same time effectually protected from dust and exposure.

It consists generally in a casing provided with a series of racks, which racks are hinged vertical structures, the rims of said racks being preferably rectangular frames and their centers composed of wires, strips, or netting so perforated or open as to be easily seen through, permitting the articles to be freely inspected without being disturbed, said wires or strips being arranged closely enough together flatwise to hold the blanks or other articles upright.

It further consists in certain details of construction, all as will be hereinafter more particularly described and claimed.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, which are made a part hereof, and on which similar letters of reference indicate similar parts, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a filing-case embodying my said invention with the door and the vertically-hinged racks swung open in various positions, thus illustrating its use; Fig. 2, a horizontal sectional view through the same with the door and one of the racks partly open, and Fig. 3 a detail vertical section.

In said drawings the portions marked A represent the outer structure or casing, B the door, and C the hinged racks.

The casing A is in general of an ordinary form and is adapted to be set on a desk secured to a wall or otherwise arranged in convenient position in an office. The side to which the door is hinged is provided with a strip or strips A', having as many offsets as there are racks, and to these offsets these racks are respectively hinged, as shown. This is so that the racks can be swung out at right

angles with the general structure of the case and still not interfere with each other.

The door B is an ordinary hinged door, preferably provided with a lock, and is adapted when shut to inclose the racks and whatever is contained therein. On its inner surface it is provided with ribs *b* and strips and wires *b'*, thus constituting it a rack in itself with one-half the capacity of the other racks. The back of the casing A is similarly constructed with ribs *a* and strips or wires *a'* and serves a similar purpose.

The racks C are hinged to the strip A', as shown, and are adapted to swing out like doors, so that by proper manipulation either of the two sides of any rack may be exposed and the articles contained therein thus rendered accessible at pleasure. They are divided centrally by wires *c*, and to the surfaces thereof are secured other wires or strips *c'*. As shown, one side may be arranged to contain large blanks—such as insurance-policies—of substantially the entire size of the rack, while the other side, by reason of partitions C', may be arranged to contain envelopes, blotters, note-heads, or such like smaller articles. The wires or strips being some distance apart, whatever is placed behind them and thus contained within the racks is capable of being plainly seen and is easily accessible. Each rack preferably has a ring or knob C², by which it may be opened.

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

1. The combination, in a filing-case, of the outer structure or casing A, the door B, and the several swinging racks C, having wires, strips, or netting extending over their sides, and thereby forming receptacles for blanks, stationery, &c., substantially as shown and described.

2. The combination, in a filing-case, of the outer structure or casing A, having the stepped strip or strips A', and the racks C, hinged thereto, as shown, whereby said racks are enabled to be swung out to a position at right angles with the body of the case without interfering with each other, substantially as shown and described.

3. In a filing-case, the hinged rack C, con-

sisting of a frame, wires or strips extending
down through the center thereof vertically,
thus dividing said rack into two parts, and
wires or strips extending over the outside
5 also, whereby the contents are held in up-
right position, where they may be easily ob-
served, substantially as shown and described.
4. The combination, with the casing of a
filing-case, of racks hinged within said cas-
10 ing and provided with transverse divisions

and retaining wires or strips covering the
sides, substantially as and for the purpose
set forth.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and seal, at New Castle, Indiana, this 15
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