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DROP LEAF TYPE WRITER HOLDER.

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Fig. 1.

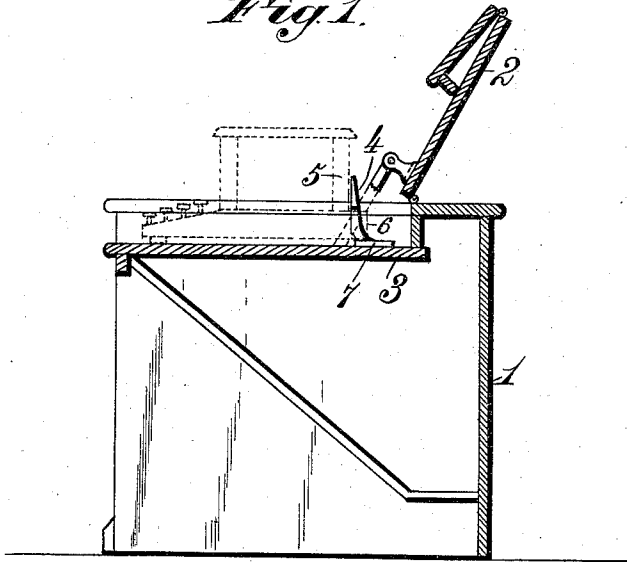


Fig. 2.

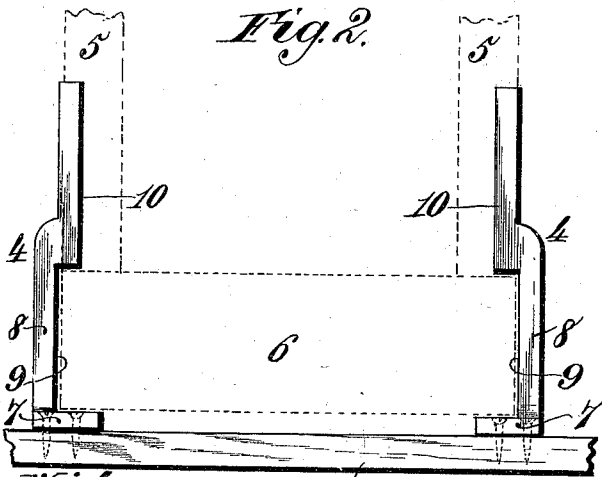
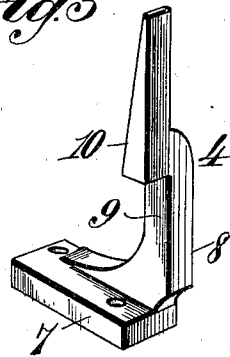


Fig. 3.



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DROP-LEAF TYPE-WRITER HOLDER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, JERRE B. ELLIOTT, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, and ROBERT J. MAWHINNEY, residing at Washington, in the District of Columbia, citizens of the United States, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Drop-Leaf Type-Writer Holders; and we do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

Our invention relates to holders for type-writers, particularly adapted for use with drop-leaf cabinets, and has for its objects to provide an improved device that will not only securely hold the type-writer as the same is tilted back with the drop-leaf into the cabinet, but will also permit the machine to be readily shifted in its position on the drop-leaf or completely removed therefrom without the necessity of unfastening any of the parts. These objects we accomplish in the manner and by the means hereinafter described and claimed, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a central vertical sectional view of an ordinary drop-leaf type-writer cabinet with our improved holder attached thereto, the type-writer frame being shown in dotted lines. Fig. 2 is a detail rear view of the drop-leaf with our improvement thereon and the type-writer frame shown in position to be held thereby, and Fig. 3 is a detail perspective view of one of the holders.

In the said drawings, the numeral 1 denotes the type-writer cabinet, and 2 the lid thereof. A drop-leaf 3, constructed and connected with the lid in the usual manner, is adapted to receive the type-writer and has fastened thereto the two holders 4, which constitute the essential feature of our invention. These holders are made rights and lefts and are fastened to the drop-leaf, preferably by screws, just far enough apart to admit between them the horizontal rear frame 6 of the type-writer, as shown in Fig. 2.

Referring now to Fig. 3, it will be seen that each holder consists of the base 7, having the upright 8 rising therefrom. This upright is

located on one side of the base and is provided with an angular recess 9 to receive the frame of the type-writer, the inwardly-projecting upper portion 10 of the upright being adapted to impinge against the rear vertical upright 5 of the type-writer frame and limit its rearward movement as well as to receive and support the type-writer when the drop-leaf is tilted backward.

It will be noticed that the height of the bases 7 of the holders is a little less than the height of the rubber feet on the ordinary type-writer, so that the rear horizontal frame 6 of the latter will pass just over the bases 7 and into the recesses 9 in the brackets until the rear vertical frames 5 come in contact with the upper portions 10 of the brackets.

From the above description the operation will be understood to be as follows: A right and left bracket is screwed or otherwise attached to the rear of the drop-leaf just far enough apart to receive the rear horizontal frame 6 of the type-writer in the recesses 9 formed therein and facing toward each other. Now when the type-writer is slid therebetween the rear vertical frames 5 of the same will come in contact with the upper portions 10 of said brackets, and when the drop-leaf is tilted backward the said upper portions 10 will receive the thrust of the type-writer and retain it firmly in position. Moreover, by reason of the rear horizontal frame being held in the recesses 9 of said brackets, any possibility of an independent tipping of the type-writer, due to a sudden movement of the drop-leaf, is effectually prevented.

It will be observed that the type-writer may be drawn forward completely free from engagement with the brackets and can be shifted to the right or left, or may be turned completely around to permit inspection of its rear mechanism. By constructing the bases of the brackets slightly less than the height of the rubber feet of the type-writer the latter are not compressed when the type-writer is held by the brackets and will retain their resiliency.

Having thus described our invention, what we claim is—

1. A drop-leaf type-writer holder, consisting of two brackets fastened to the drop-leaf

and provided with recesses and adapted to removably receive and retain the rear horizontal frame of the type-writer, substantially as described.

- 5 2. A drop-leaf type-writer holder, consisting of two brackets fastened to the drop-leaf and formed with angular recesses to receive the horizontal rear frame of the type-writer, and inwardly-projecting upper portions against which the rear vertical uprights of the type-writer abut, substantially as described.

- 10 3. A drop-leaf type-writer holder, consisting of two brackets fastened to the drop-leaf, and consisting each of a base 7, uprights 8 rising therefrom to one side and having an-

gular recesses 9 in one side thereof to receive the horizontal rear frame of the type-writer, and inwardly-projecting upper portions 10 against which the rear vertical uprights of the type-writer are adapted to abut when the drop-leaf is tilted, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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