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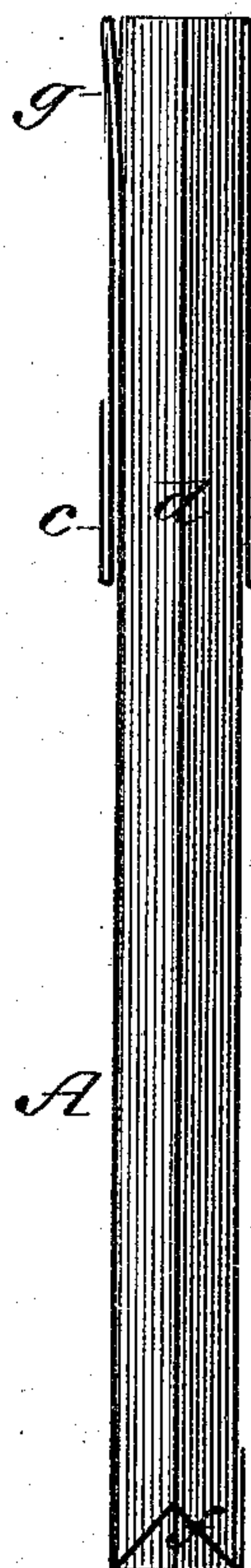
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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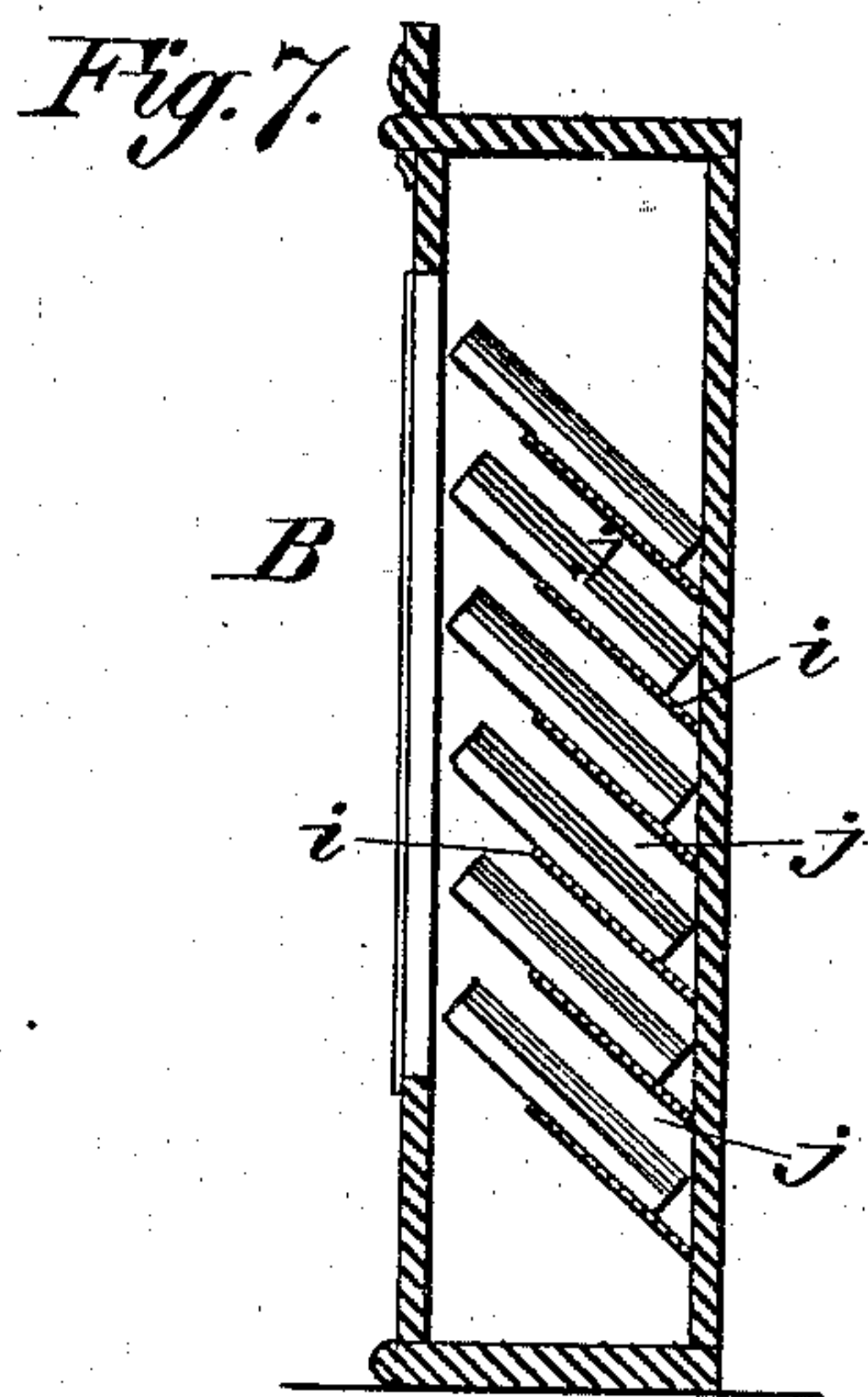
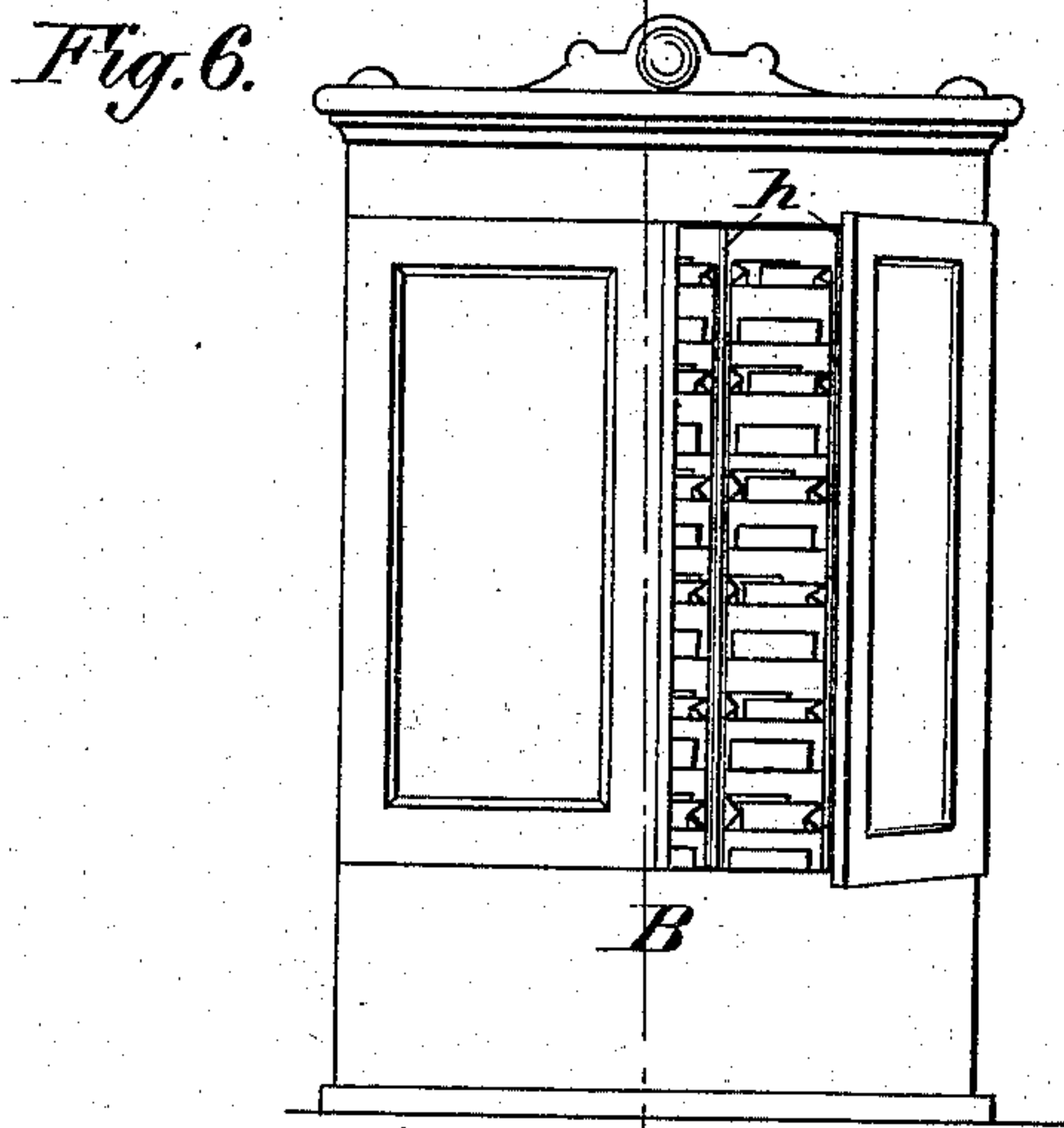
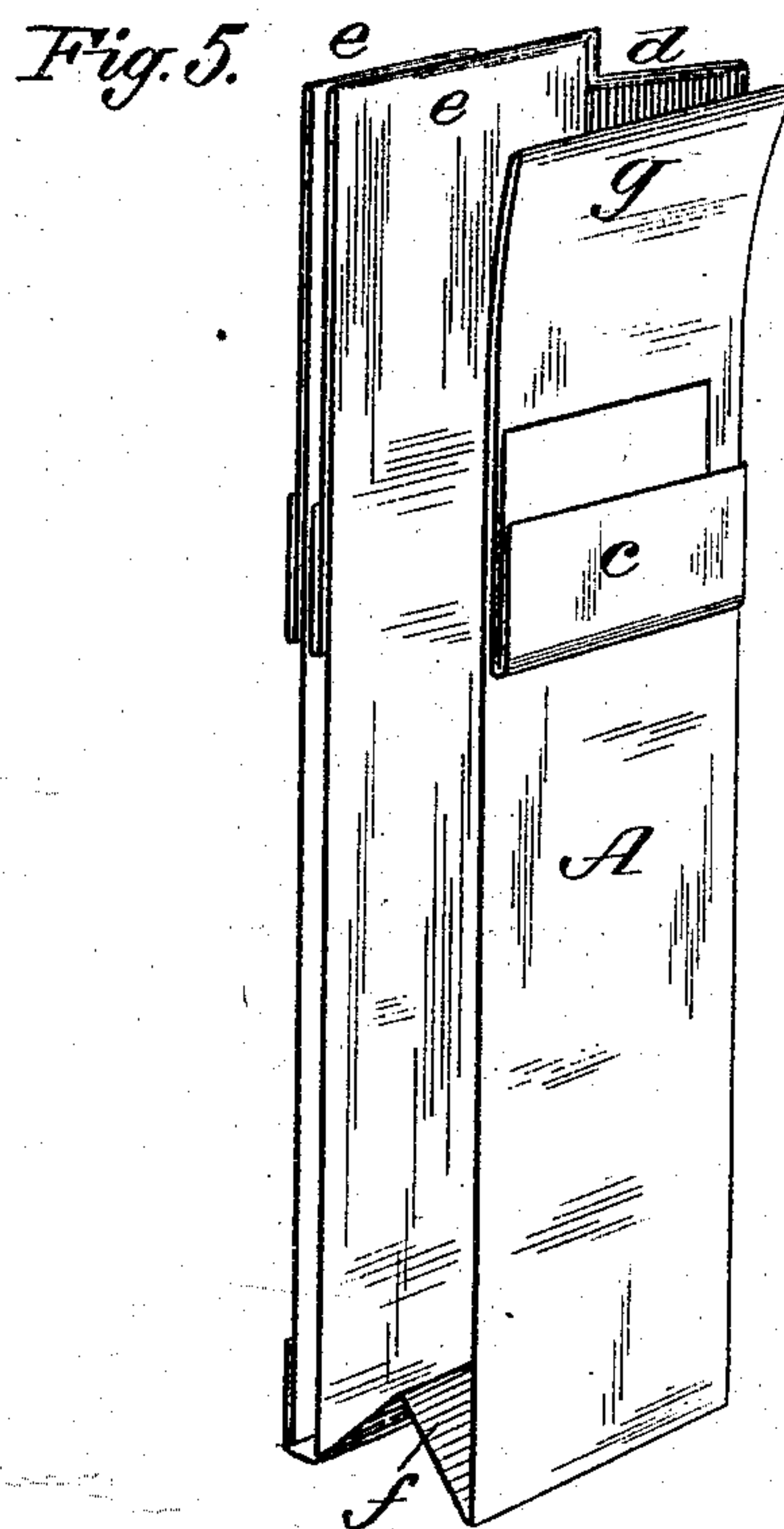
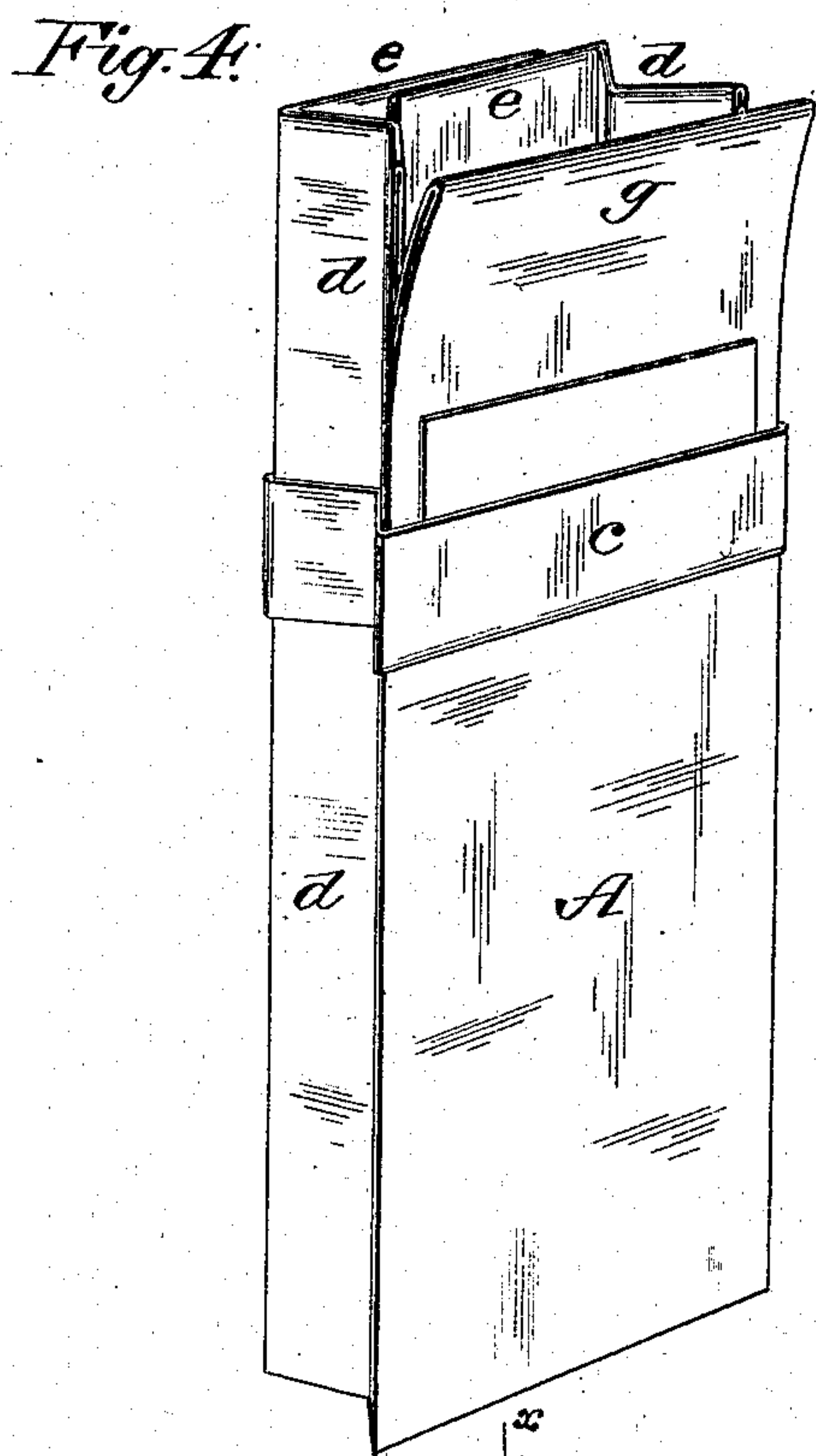
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN T. CHYNOWETH, of Appleton, in the county of Outagamie and State of Wisconsin, have invented certain Improvements in Files for Bills, &c., of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to cases or holders for bills and papers; and it consists in cutting and folding the material of which the same are formed, in the peculiar manner hereinafter set forth, whereby the case or holder is rendered expansible or collapsible, and whereby also a pocket and a leaf or lip is formed, the former to receive a card indicating the character of the contents, or other matter, and the latter adapted to turn down and expose the headings or indorsements of the papers.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a face view of the sheet of material of which the case or holder is formed, the folds being indicated thereon. Fig. 2 is a diagram indicating the manner in which the blank is folded in the direction of its length; Fig. 3, a similar diagram, showing the manner in which the blank is folded in the direction of its width; Fig. 4, a perspective view of the holder; Fig. 5, a vertical central section through the same; Fig. 6, a face view of the cabinet or case in which the bill or paper holders are placed; Fig. 7, a vertical section through the same on the line *xx* of Fig. 6.

The object of my invention is to produce at a small cost a case or wrapper adapted to contain and to conveniently display papers, bills, and documents of all kinds, but more especially such papers as are frequently referred to by literary and professional men.

With this object in view I provide a blank, A, of paper or other suitable material, the size and proportions of which vary according to the character of the papers to be held. The blank is cut into the form shown in Fig. 1, and is creased, as there indicated, preparatory to being folded into shape for use. The first fold is made along the line *a*, and the next on the line *b*, the latter producing a pocket, *c*, to receive a card bearing any desired inscription relative to the contents of the holder, while the former serves to produce a folded or doubled edge to the upper end of the case or holder, as shown. The blank is then creased or folded

to form the sides *d* of the case or holder, which, as shown, are of V shape in cross-section, and consequently permit the collapse or expansion of the case or holder to suit the contents. The sides *d* being thus formed, the flaps or wings *e* are turned inward and laid one over the other, as shown in Figs. 2 and 4, and the flap *f*, which constitutes the bottom of the holder, is first folded into V form to permit it to collapse or expand with the sides, and it is then turned up and secured to the back of the rear or outer wing or flap *e* by means of mucilage or cement, or by any suitable fastening device. The fold which forms the pocket *c* is also held to the body in a similar manner. The inner wing or flap *e* at the back is left entirely free, in order that the case may expand readily. At the upper end the forward corners of the case or holder are cut open, as shown in Figs. 3 and 4, forming a lip or leaf, *g*, which may be turned down to expose the headings of papers contained in the case or the indorsements made thereon. The necessary cut for this purpose may be advantageously made in the act of cutting out the blank, but may, if preferred, be made after the case or holder is made up.

For the purpose of properly holding the cases or holders when in use, presenting them in convenient shape for examination, and storing or concealing them from the dust, I provide a case or cabinet, B, which is designed with special reference to the form and construction of the cases or wrappers above described.

The cabinet is divided by partitions *h* into compartments of proper width to freely receive the cases or wrappers, and these compartments are in turn provided with a series of partitions, *i*, placed at an inclination to the face of the cabinet, whereby there is formed a series of cells or pockets, *j*, each adapted to receive a case or wrapper. Under this construction of the cabinet, it will be seen, the cells or pockets are arranged one behind another, while the mouth of each is brought forward to the same plane; hence the cases or wrappers, when placed within the pockets, stand one behind another, so as to take up but little space, but at the same time the upper end of each, extending above the mouth of its cell or pocket, is exposed to view, and each extends sufficiently above the one below to expose to view the card



contained in its pocket *c*. In this way the cases or wrappers are exhibited to great advantage, and are contained in a small place.

5 The cabinet or case may be of wood, paper, or other suitable material, and of a size to suit the requirements of the business in which it is to be used.

10 I am aware that in a portfolio a pocket has been formed by folding upward the lower portion of a leaf or sheet, and this I do not broadly claim.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

15 1. A bill or paper holder provided with an outside pocket formed of an integral portion of the holder by folding and adapted to receive a card or slip, whereby the contents may be made known without opening said holder.

20 2. A bill or paper holder having the material of which it is formed folded downward to produce a folded edge at the top of the holder,

and thence folded upward to form a pocket or receptacle for a card or slip, substantially as shown.

3. A bill or paper holder provided with a 25 lip or leaf adapted to be turned down to expose the contents of the holder, and with a pocket adapted to receive a card, both formed of an integral portion of the holder by folding, substantially as shown and described. 30

4. The herein-described bill or paper holder, consisting of the body having collapsible sides and bottom, and provided with a lip which may be turned down to expose the contents, and with a pocket to receive a card or slip. 35

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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