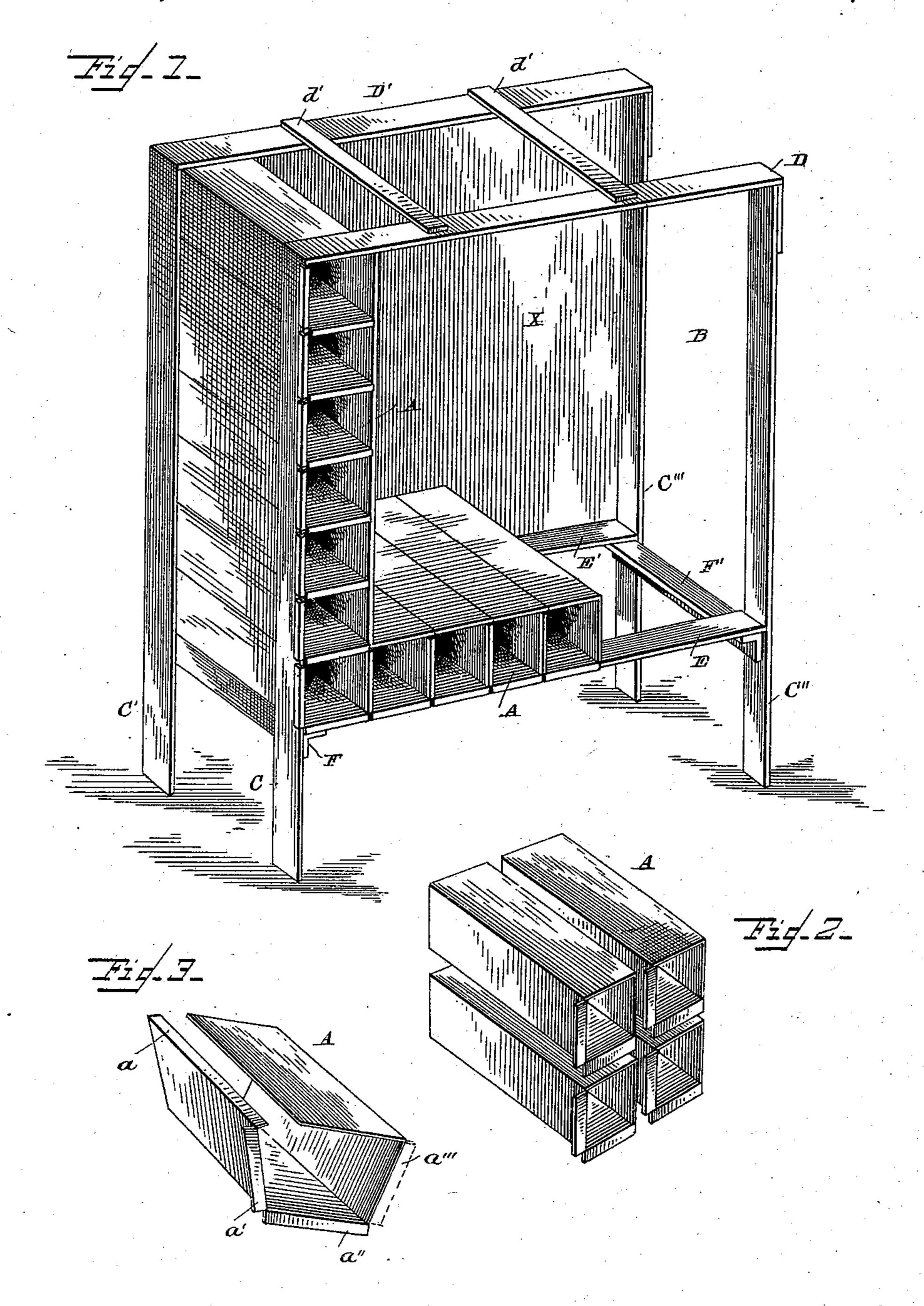
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES L. WUNDT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Burlington, in Des Moines county, Iowa, have 5 invented a new and useful Improvement in Receptacles for File-Cases, of which the fol-

lowing is a specification.

My invention relates to receptacles for filecases in which an iron frame, constructed as to hereinafter more fully described, operates in conjunction with a series of flanged sheet-iron cases; and the object of my invention is to construct a receptacle for file-cases dust and fire proof, inexpensive, and durable. I accomplish 15 this by the mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a full view of my invention in which the frame is partly filled with cases; Fig. 2, a number of the flanged cases 20 independent of the frame. Fig. 3 is a view of a case before it is put together, showing

how it is made of one piece.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

In my drawings, A represents one of a series of cases, preferably square in shape, and made of sheet-iron or other suitable material. It is made of one piece by bending a piece of sheet-iron of the proper size four times at 30 right angles upon itself, so that a lap, a, as shown in Fig. 3 of my drawings, will extend over and lie upon the adjoining side, when it is securely fastened, so as to form a seam. The front end of the case A is provided on two 35 sides with the flanges a' and a'', as illustrated in the drawings.

B represents an iron frame, and consists of four uprights, (designated in the drawings by C C' C".) These uprights have preferably 40 beveled edges. The uprights C and C" are on the top joined by the cross-piece D, and the uprights C' and C" by the cross-piece D'. The cross-pieces D and D' are braced together by the pieces d and d' in such a manner that a 45 clear space is left in front on the cross-piece D of about one-fourth of an inch, to which the said pieces d and d' do not reach. About twelve inches from the bottom the cross piece E joins the uprights C and C", and at the same 50 distance from the bottom the uprights C' and C" are joined by the cross-piece E'. Under-

gular brace F, which joins the uprights C and C', and also the rectangular brace F', which joins the uprights C' and C''. This frame B 55 is preferably provided with a sheet-iron back, X, which is solidly attached to the uprights C'

and C'' and the cross-pieces D' and E'.

The series of flanged cases A are inserted in the frame B in the following manner: If I be- 60 gin to fill the frame in the lower left-hand corner, the flanges on the box or case for this corner should be on the lower side and the lefthand side. The flange on the lower side is bent around the edge of the cross-piece E and 65 the flange of the left side around the upright C, which secures the case firmly to the frame B. The next case in this lower row to the right is flanged to the same sides. The lower one will again attach to the cross-piece E, and 70 the one to the left will attach to the right-hand side of the case to the left. In this manner the lower row is filled. The last case in this row has a third flange, a''', as shown in dotted lines, Fig. 3 of my drawings. This third 75 flange attaches to the upright C". The second row is filled in the same manner as the first one, as just described, except that here the lower flanges fasten to the upper edges of the lower row of boxes or cases. When I come 80 to the uppermost row of cases, I insert cases which have also flanges on their top sides, which will attach to the cross-piece D. If desired, the last case to fill the frame may have all sides flanged.

It will be seen that the partition-walls in my receptacle for file-cases, as thus formed by the insertion of the cases as described, are all double. This frame B for my receptacle may also be provided with suitable doors, if so de- 90

sired.

I do not mean to claim any particular arrangement of my cases in the frame B, nor do I desire to confine myself to any particular number of flanges to each case.

What I do claim, and desire to secure by Let-

ters Patent, is—

1. In a receptacle for file-cases, an iron frame, B, consisting of the uprights C C' C" C", the cross-pieces D, D', E, and E', the pieces d and roo d', and the braces F and F', substantially as and for the purpose herein set forth.

2. In a receptacle for file-cases, a case formed neath the cross-pieces E and E' is the rectan- I from one piece of material suitably bent, the front face of said case having one or more outwardly-turned flanges formed integrally therewith, substantially as described.

3. In a receptacle for file-cases, the combi-5 nation, with the frame B, having cross-pieces D and E and uprights C and C", of a case made of one piece of material, and having outwardly-

turned flanges on its front face adapted to be bent around the cross-pieces and uprights, substantially as described.

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