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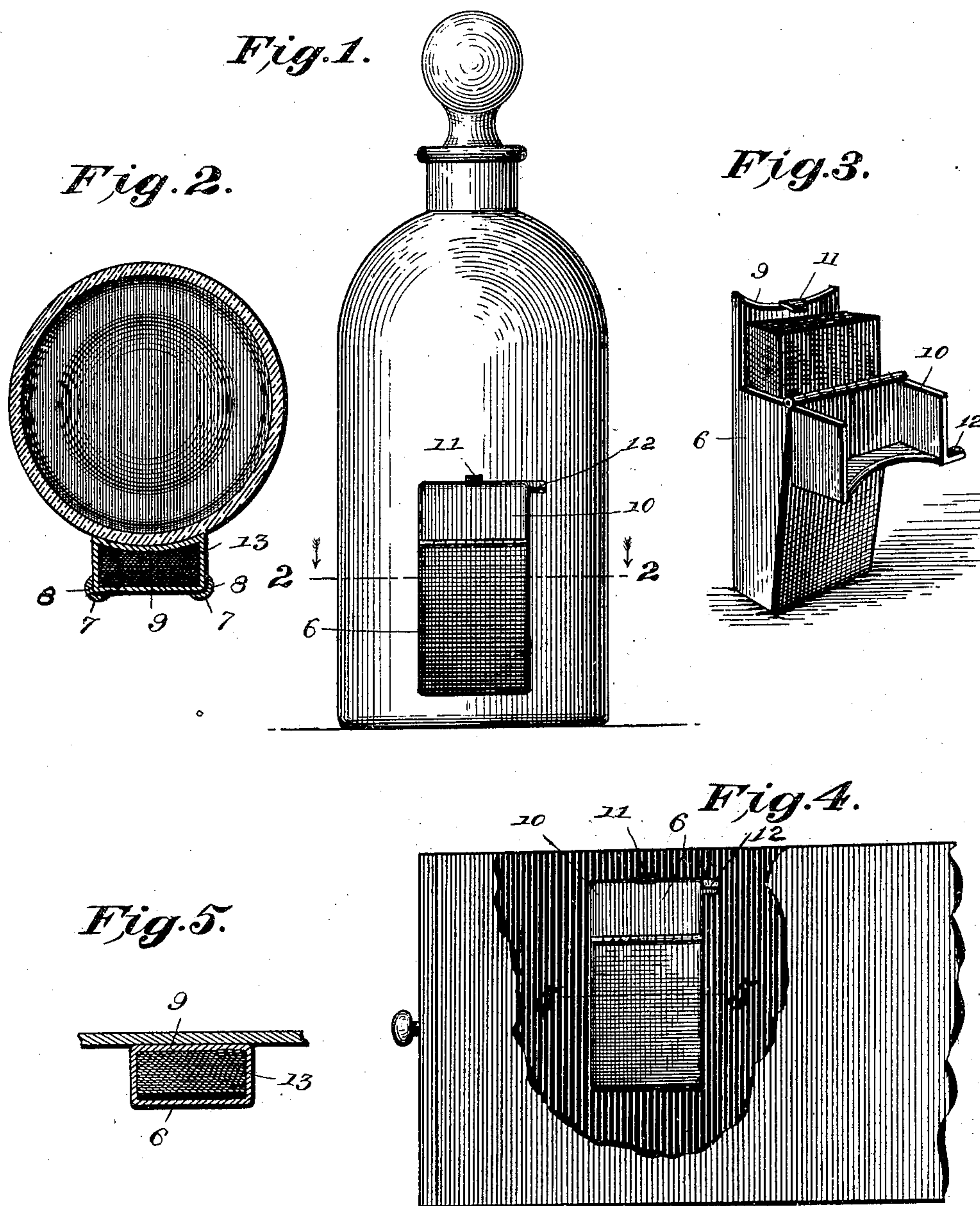
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CLARENCE WILBER IVINS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Lebanon, in the county of Warren and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Drawer and Bottle Label Holder, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to devices for use as label-holding attachments for druggists' dispensing-bottles, drawers, and other receptacles, the object of the invention being to simplify, cheapen, and increase the efficiency of such devices, whereby the druggist will be provided with labels always at hand denoting the contents of the bottle or receptacle to which they are attached, thereby greatly lessening the labor attending the affixing of the labels to packages sold, decreasing the liability of mistakes.

With this object in view my invention consists in the improved construction, arrangement, and combination of parts hereinafter fully described, and afterward specifically pointed out in the appended claim.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention most nearly appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part hereof, in which—

Figure 1 is a view in side elevation of an ordinary dispensing or shelf bottle provided with a label-holder constructed in accordance with my invention, the holder being closed. Fig. 2 is a transverse sectional view on the plane indicated by the broken line 2 2 of Fig. 1 looking downward. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of a label-holder open and detached from the bottle. Fig. 4 is a partial side elevation of a drawer provided with one of my label-holders. Fig. 5 is a detail sectional view on the plane indicated by the broken line 5 5 of Fig. 4.

Like numerals of reference mark the same parts in all the figures of the drawings.

Referring to the drawings by numerals, 6 body of my improved label-holder may be made of papier-mâché, wood, rubber, celluloid, or other material. It is substantially rectangular in section at any height, having ends, as at 7, composed of or re-

inforced with soft rubber or some other suitable cushioning material, as at 8. These provisions are very important when the holder is applied to bottles for the purpose of preventing the breaking of other bottles with which the holder may accidentally be brought into contact with, but might be dispensed with in holders intended for use in drawers, boxes, or other analogous receptacles. The inner side 9 of the holder will be shaped to correspond with the surface to which it is to be secured, except when made of flexible material, in which case it will accommodate itself to varying surfaces.

In Figs. 1, 2, and 3 I have illustrated a holder with curved inner side to fit around the bottle, while in Figs. 4 and 5 it is flat to be applied to the inside of a drawer.

The inner side 9 is extended above the outer side, and to the top edge of the outer side is hinged a cover constructed so as to fill out the length of the top, the front or outer side, and the ends when closed, the top of the cover being shaped to correspond with the shape of the bottle or receptacle against which it closes. At the upper edge of the inner or rear side 9 is provided a spring-latch 11 to engage the cover and hold it yielding closed, and a projection 12 is formed at one side of the cover to facilitate opening it.

Labels 13 are placed in the holder, denoting the contents of the bottle or receptacle to which the holder is attached, and such labels may be gummed, so that they may be instantly applied to the bottle or package into which the article sold is placed, thus avoiding the waste of time necessary to search out the label and the liability of mistake in picking out a label from perhaps some hundreds of kinds in a single label drawer or case. When the label-holder is opened, the labels will project above the top of the front and ends of the holder, so that they may be readily taken out for use, and the peculiar shape and arrangement of the cover will permit of the ready refilling of the holder when empty.

While I have illustrated and described what I consider to be the best means now known to me for carrying out my invention, I do not wish to be understood as restricting myself to the exact forms and constructions shown, as many slight changes therein or va-

riations therefrom might suggest themselves to the ordinary mechanic, all of which would be clearly included within the limit and scope of my invention.

5 Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

As a new article of manufacture a label-holder, comprising a rectangular body, the  
10 back of which extends upward beyond the sides and front and is provided with a for-

wardly-extending spring-latch, a rectangular cover hinged to the front and forming an extension of the receptacle, the rear wall of the cover being cut away, a projection from the  
15 top of the cover and rubber buffers secured to the outer corners of the holder, substantially as described.

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