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FIG. 1.

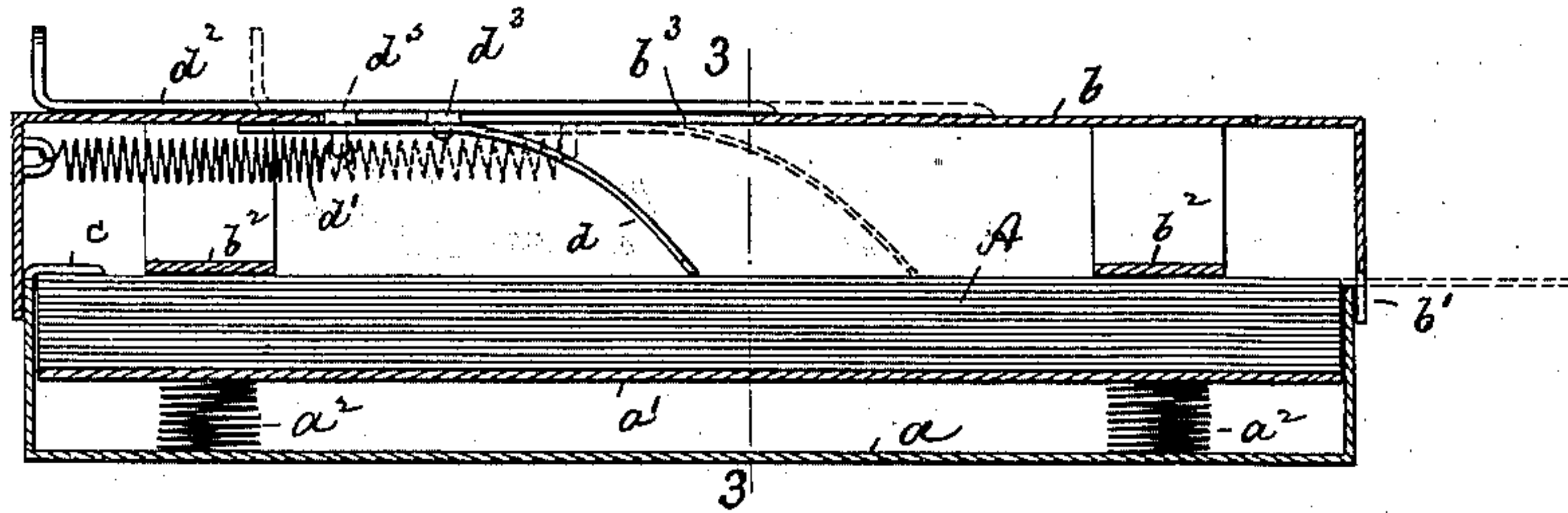


FIG. 2.

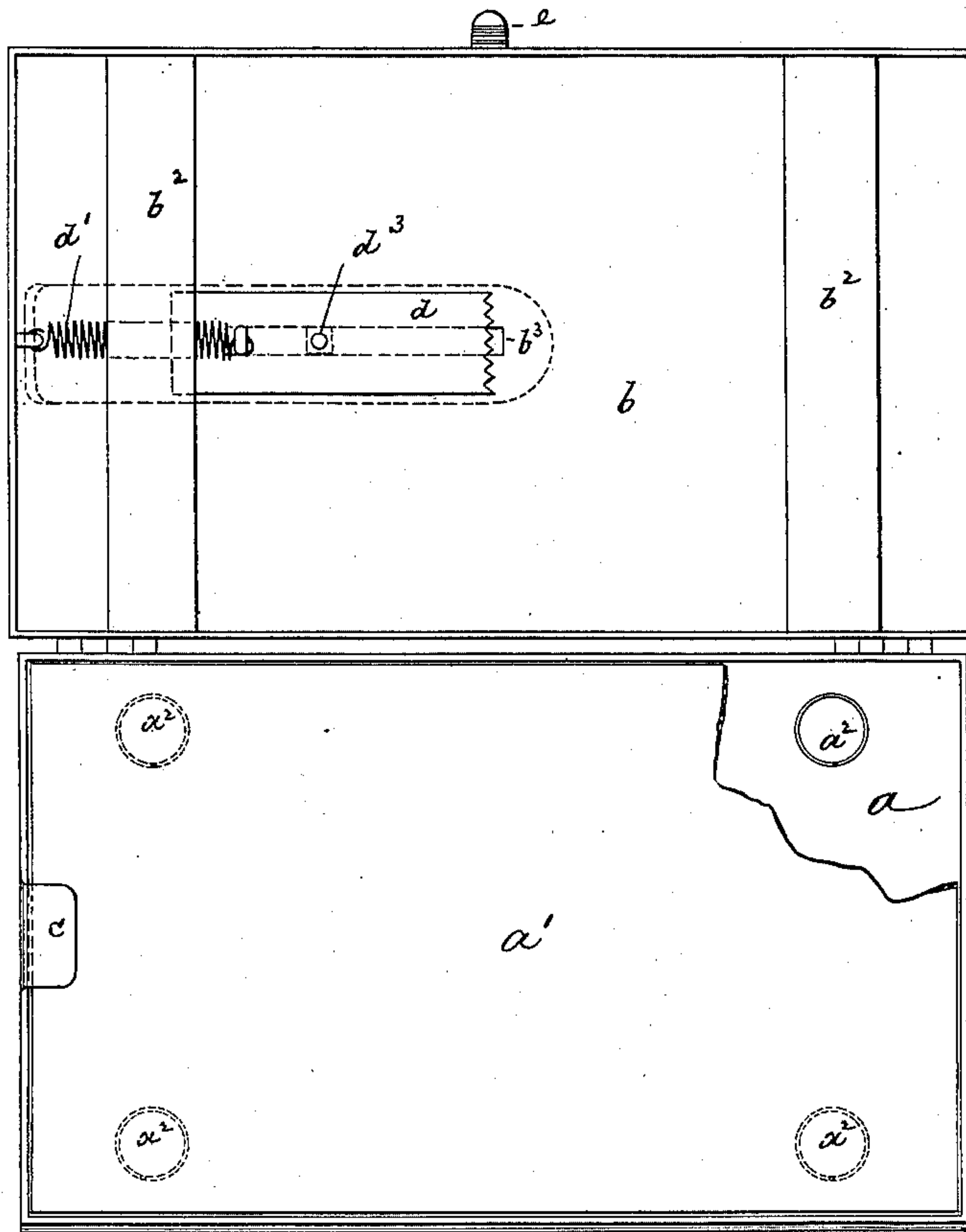
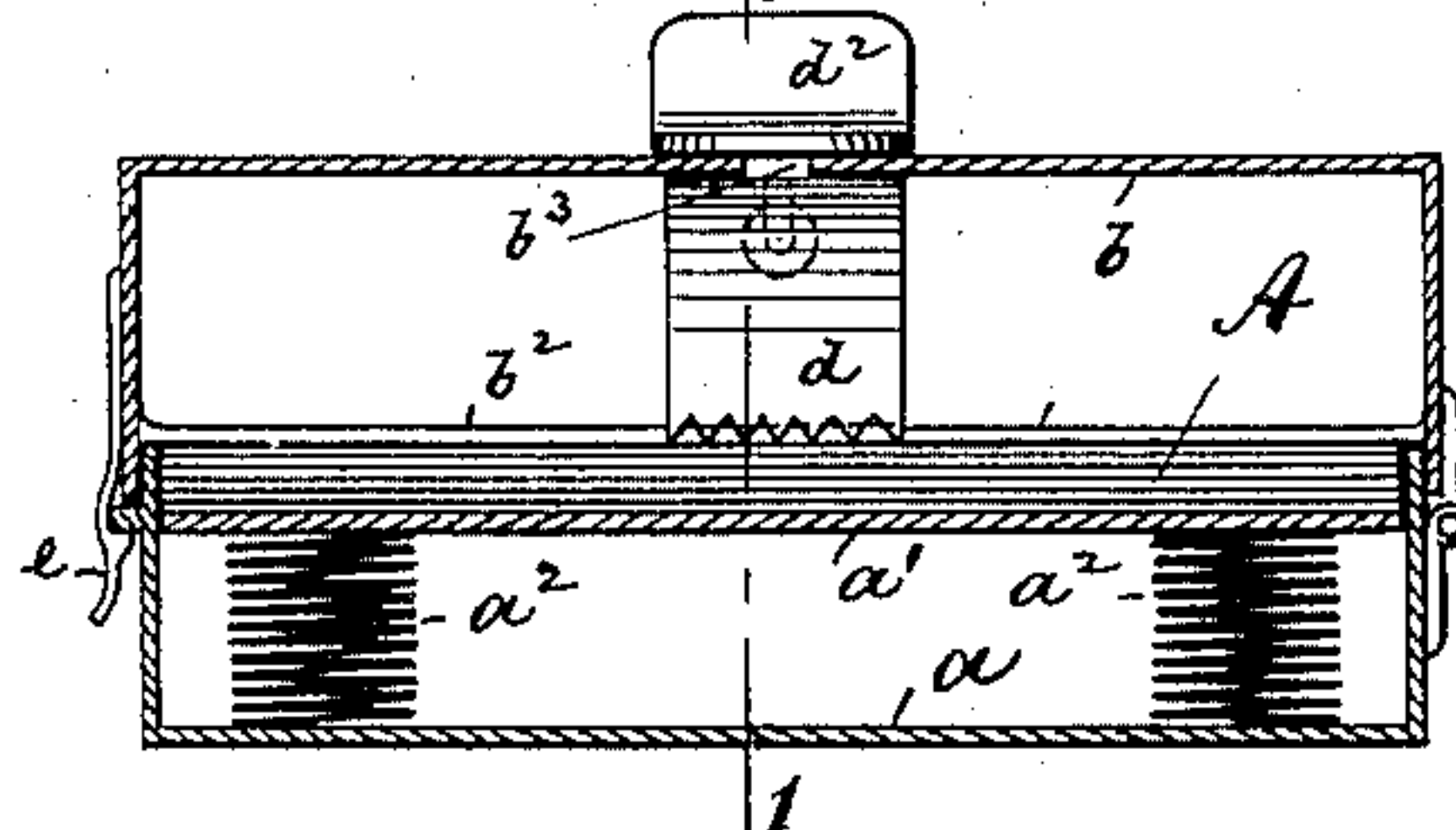


FIG. 3.



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CARD-CASE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HARRY BICK, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of New York city, county and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Card-Cases, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a case for business and visiting cards which is so constructed that the uppermost card is separated from the stack and singly presented in a neat and cleanly manner without opening the case.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a longitudinal section of my improved card-case on line 1 1, Fig. 3. Fig. 2 is a plan of the case, showing it open; and Fig. 3, a cross-section on line 3 3, Fig. 1.

The letter *a* represents a box having a hinged cover *b*. Within the box *a* is contained a false bottom *a'*, resting upon springs, *a''* and adapted to support the cards *A*. An inwardly-extending finger *c*, secured to one end of the box *a*, projects over one edge of the cards and constitutes a stop for limiting their upward movement when the box is open.

The cover *b* is provided with a flange which is slotted, as at *b'*, opposite to the finger *c*. A pair of depending transverse bars *b''*, extending across the interior of the cover, bear upon the cards when the box is closed and hold the uppermost card in alinement with the slot *b'*. This uppermost card is adapted to be grasped and fed partly through the slot *b'* by means of a dog *d*, influenced by a spring *d'* and connected to a handle or slide *d''* by

pins *d'''*, that extend through a longitudinal slot *b'''* of cover *b*. A catch *e* serves to lock the cover to the box when closed.

In use the box *a* is charged by placing the cards *A* upon false bottom *a'* beneath finger *c*. The cover *b* is then closed and locked by catch *e*. A forward movement of the slide *d''* will cause the dog *d* to engage the uppermost card *A* and feed it partly out of the slot *b'*, so that it may be conveniently grasped and presented. Upon releasing the slide the spring *d'* will return it, together with the dog, to its original position, while the false bottom *a'* will rise to bring the next card vertically in alinement with slot *b'*. Thus it will be seen that by my improved case the cards are successively withdrawn and presented without being handled or otherwise soiled or injured.

What I claim is—

In a card-case, a box having a spring-actuated false bottom and an inwardly-projecting finger *c*, adapted to engage the cards when the box is open, combined with a slotted lid having a feed-dog, and a pair of depending bars *b''*, that are adapted to engage the cards when the box is closed, substantially as specified.

Signed by me at New York city, New York, this 27th day of December, 1899.

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