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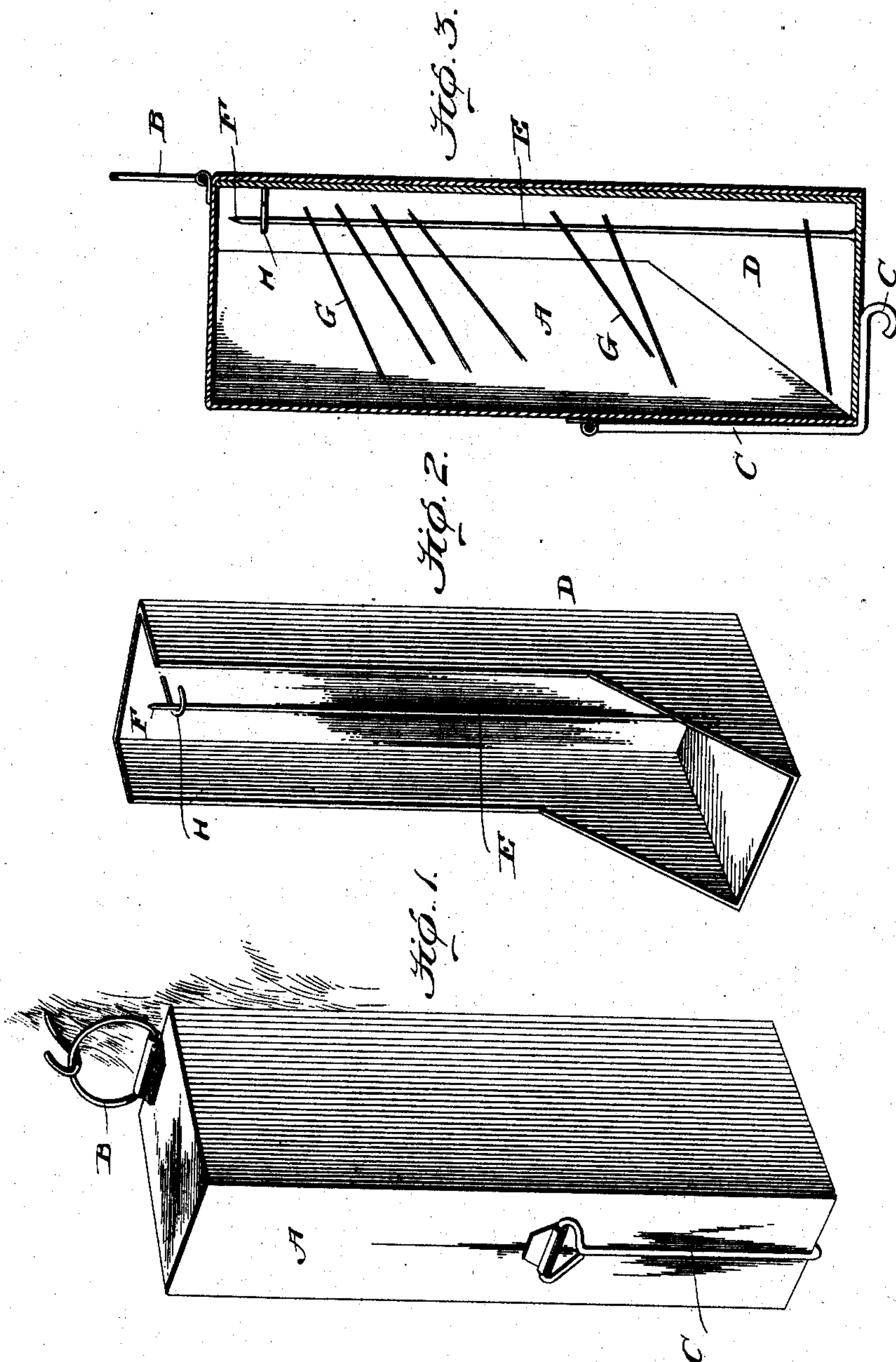
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## FILE.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN D. ALLEN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Atlanta, in the county of Fulton and State of Georgia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Files, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in files, which while adapted for various uses is particularly designed for service as a prescription-file, the object being the production of a simple, inexpensive, and practical device which will receive and preserve the prescription-slips in perfect order, and thus effectively perform its function and also be of compact form and ornamental appearance.

To attain the desired objects, my invention consists of a prescription-file embodying novel features of construction and combination of parts, substantially as disclosed herein.

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of my file closed. Fig. 2 represents a perspective view of the file open, and Fig. 3 represents a central sectional view of the file.

In the drawings, A designates the case or housing of my file, which is of suitable size and preferably rectangular, having at one end the loop B for suspending it from the wall and also being provided near the lower end with the hinged right-angled latch or retainer C, the purpose of which is to hold the removable file-case D, said latch engaging the closed end of said case. The case rests normally in the housing and is open at one end, has a bottom at the other with tapered sides, and in the case is arranged the vertical filing-pin E, the lower end being secured rigidly to

the bottom of the case and the upper end being formed with a point F to pierce the slips G, and the filing-pin is retained at its free end by the keeper H, which acts to hold the filing-pin from accidental detachment, and thus retains the prescription-slips in perfect order, yet permits easy inspection, application, or removal of the slips when necessary.

In practice the case D is placed within the housing A, as seen in Fig. 3, and the two parts are then held in such position by the latch C, the horizontal portion of which is engaged beneath the bottom of the inner case.

It will be seen that by the use of my file the prescriptions can be preserved in order, that they will be kept clean and free from dust, and that the slips will be accessible with ease and readiness, and also that my file can be produced at so small a price as to make the file useful, desirable, and practical.

I claim—

A file composed of an outer case open at the bottom and closed at the top, an inner file-case open at the top and closed at the bottom and having tapered sides adjacent to said bottom, a hinged right-angled latch on the outer case to engage the bottom of the inner file-case, a vertical filing-pin within said inner file-case and a retainer for said filing-pin at the upper end thereof, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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