

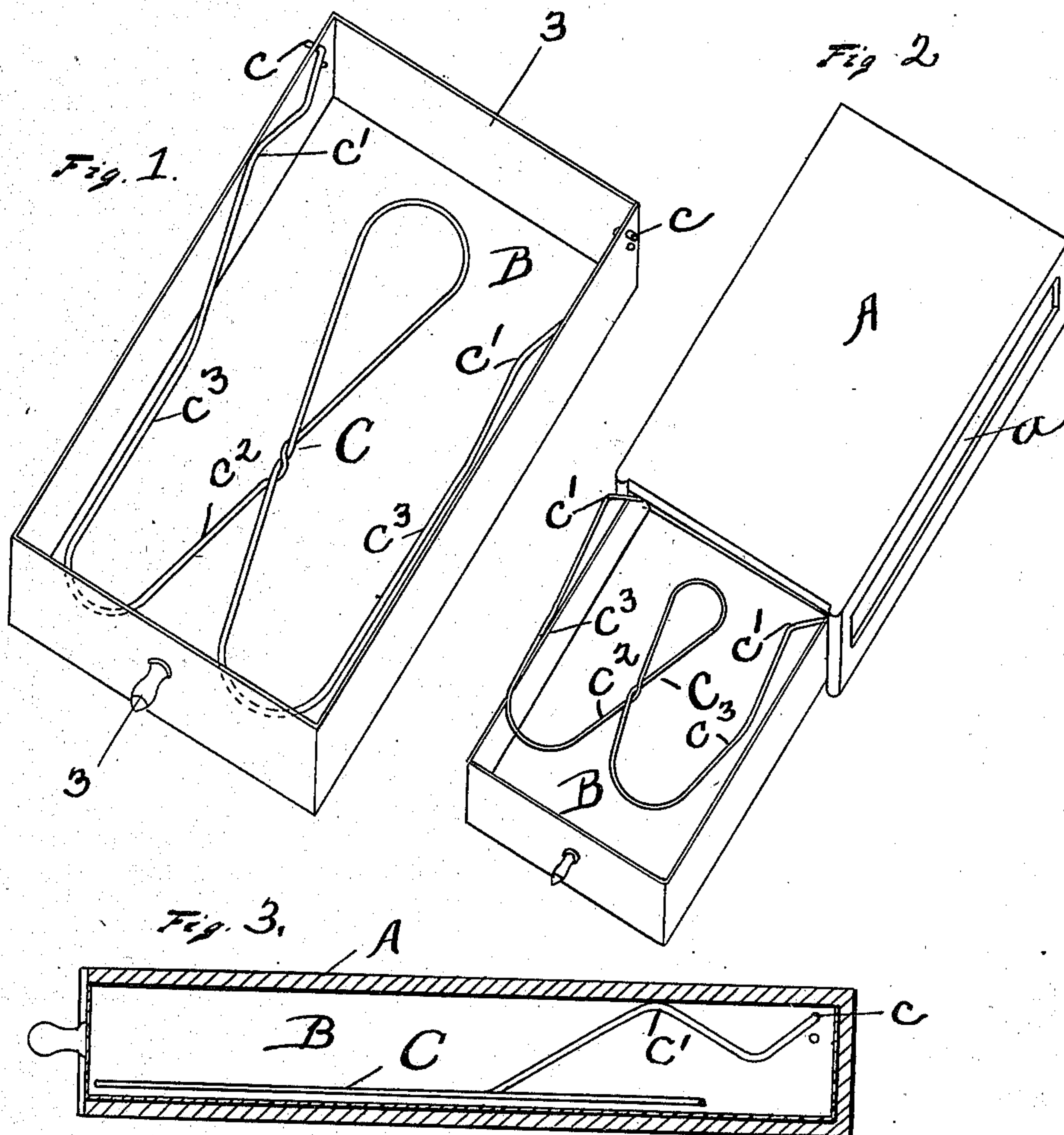
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FILE-CABINET.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES KLINE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Erie, in the county of Erie and State of Pennsylvania, have invented new and useful Improvements in File-Cabinets, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to file-cabinets; and it consists in certain improvements in the construction thereof, as will be hereinafter fully described, and pointed out in the claims.

The invention is especially designed for cabinets holding druggists' labels and similar articles. Such labels when placed in drawers or files curl and make it difficult to close the files or drawers filled with such articles.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings as follows:

Figure 1 shows a perspective view of the drawer forming part of the cabinet; Fig. 2, a perspective view of the cabinet with a drawer drawn out; Fig. 3, a section on the line 3 3 in Fig. 1.

A marks the case, which is constructed to permit of the drawer B being slid into it. The case is provided with the slots *a* at the sides of the drawer-recess. The drawer B is provided with a bail C, the ends of which extend through the drawer into the slots *a* and form stops which prevent the drawer from being entirely drawn from the case A. The bail has the upturned portions *c'*, which are arranged to contact the upper side of the drawer-recess and force the bail down into the drawer. The bail is hinged on the points *c* at the rear of the drawer and extends toward the front. Extending from the front end of the bail is a rearwardly-extending tongue *c²*. This tongue normally extends below the plane of the sides *c³* of the bail. The end of the tongue contacts the matter in the drawer in front of the hinge-points *c*, and the spring action of the wire forming the bail tends to force the bail upwardly as the drawer is drawn out of the case, so that when the raised portion *c'* clears the drawer-recess the bail automatically rises through the action of the spring-pressed tongue *c²*, thus exposing the front edges of the labels or similar papers, so that they may be readily withdrawn. At the same time the rear end of the tongue

remains in contact with the labels and prevents their disarrangement in the drawer.

What I claim as new is—

1. In a cabinet the combination with a case; 55 of a drawer arranged to slide therein; and a spring-actuated bail arranged to contact the casing as the drawer is closed and to exert pressure on the contents of the drawer from said contact, and to automatically swing upward through the action of said spring as the drawer is opened. 60

2. In a cabinet the combination with a case; of a drawer arranged to slide therein; a bail hinged toward the rear of the drawer and extending toward the front therefrom, said bail having a downwardly-extending part arranged to contact with spring-pressure the contents of the drawer at a point in front of the hinge when the drawer is closed and to automatically throw the bail up when the drawer is opened. 70

3. In a cabinet the combination with a case; a drawer arranged to slide therein; a bail hinged toward the rear of the drawer and extending toward the front therefrom; and a spring-actuated tongue extending from the front of the bail to a point toward the rear of the drawer but in front of the hinge. 75

4. In a cabinet the combination with a case; 80 of a drawer arranged to slide therein; a bail hinged toward the rear of the drawer and extending toward the front therefrom, said bail having an upwardly-extending part along its sides arranged to contact the casing, and force the bail downwardly in the drawer as the drawer is closed, said bail having a spring-actuated downwardly-extending part arranged to contact the contents of the drawer. 85

5. In a cabinet the combination with a case; 90 of a drawer arranged to slide therein; a bail hinged toward the rear of the drawer and extending toward the front therefrom, said bail having an upwardly-extending part along its sides arranged to contact the casing, and force the bail downwardly in the drawer as the drawer is closed, said bail having a spring-actuated downwardly-extending part arranged to contact the contents of the drawer at a point in front of the hinge. 95

6. In a cabinet the combination with a case; 100 of a drawer arranged to slide in said case; a

bail hinged in said drawer, with an end of the bail extending through the drawer and forming a stop to prevent the removal of the drawer from the case.

5 7. In a cabinet the combination with a case; of a drawer arranged to slide in said case; a bail hinged in said drawer, the ends of the bail extending through the drawer and forming stops to prevent the removal of the drawer
10 from the case, said bail being formed of material adapted to permit of the assembling of the bail with the drawer by the spring action of the bail.

8. In a cabinet the combination of the case
15 A having the slots a ; the drawer B arranged to slide therein and having perforations in

its sides near its rear ends; the bail C having the hinge end c extending through the perforations into the slots a and forming stops to prevent the complete removal of the drawer, 20 said bail being formed of spring-wire having the upturn c' , sides c^3 and rearwardly-extending tongue having a normal position below the plane of the sides c^3 the pressure end of the tongue being in front of the hinge. 25

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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