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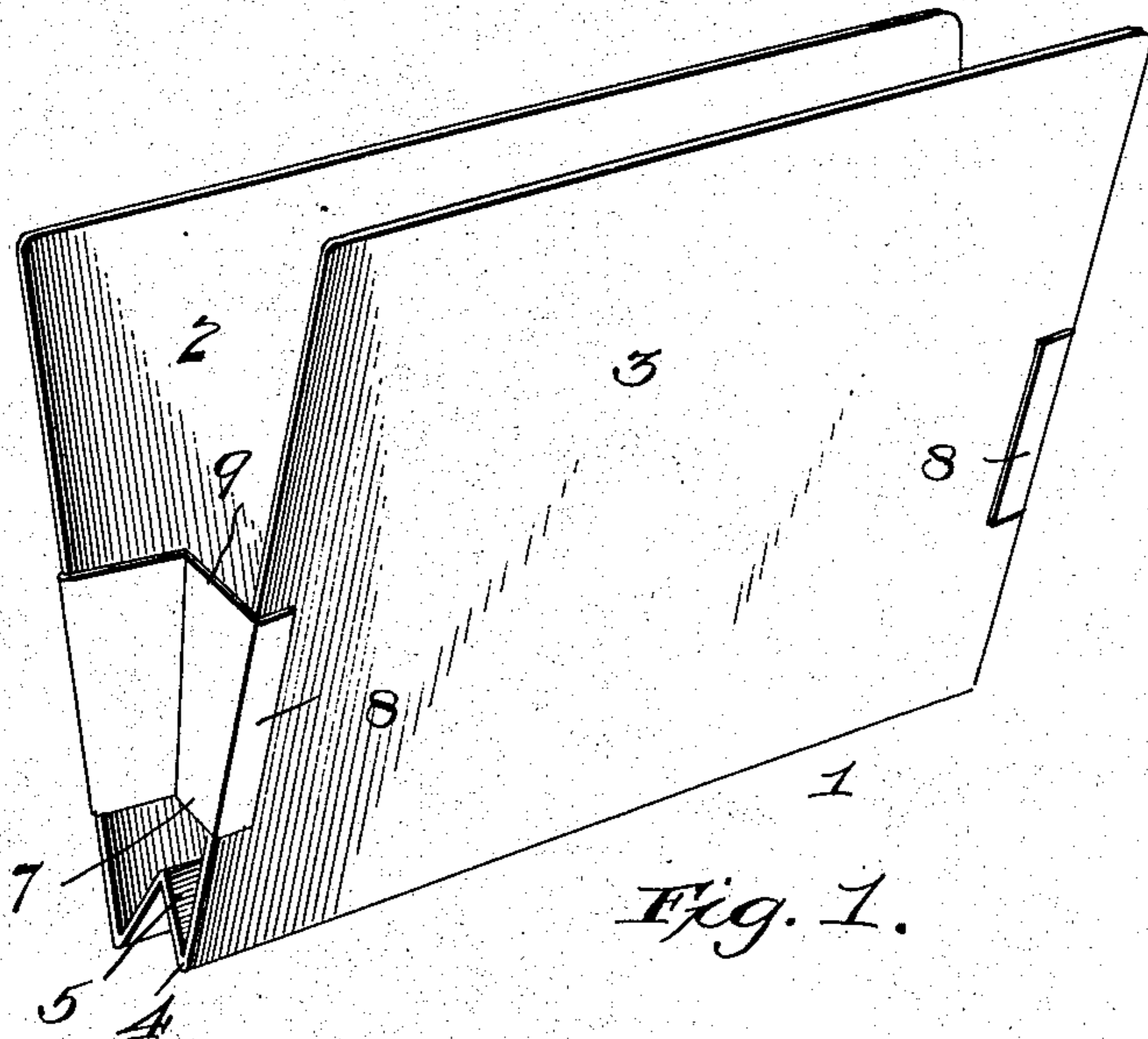
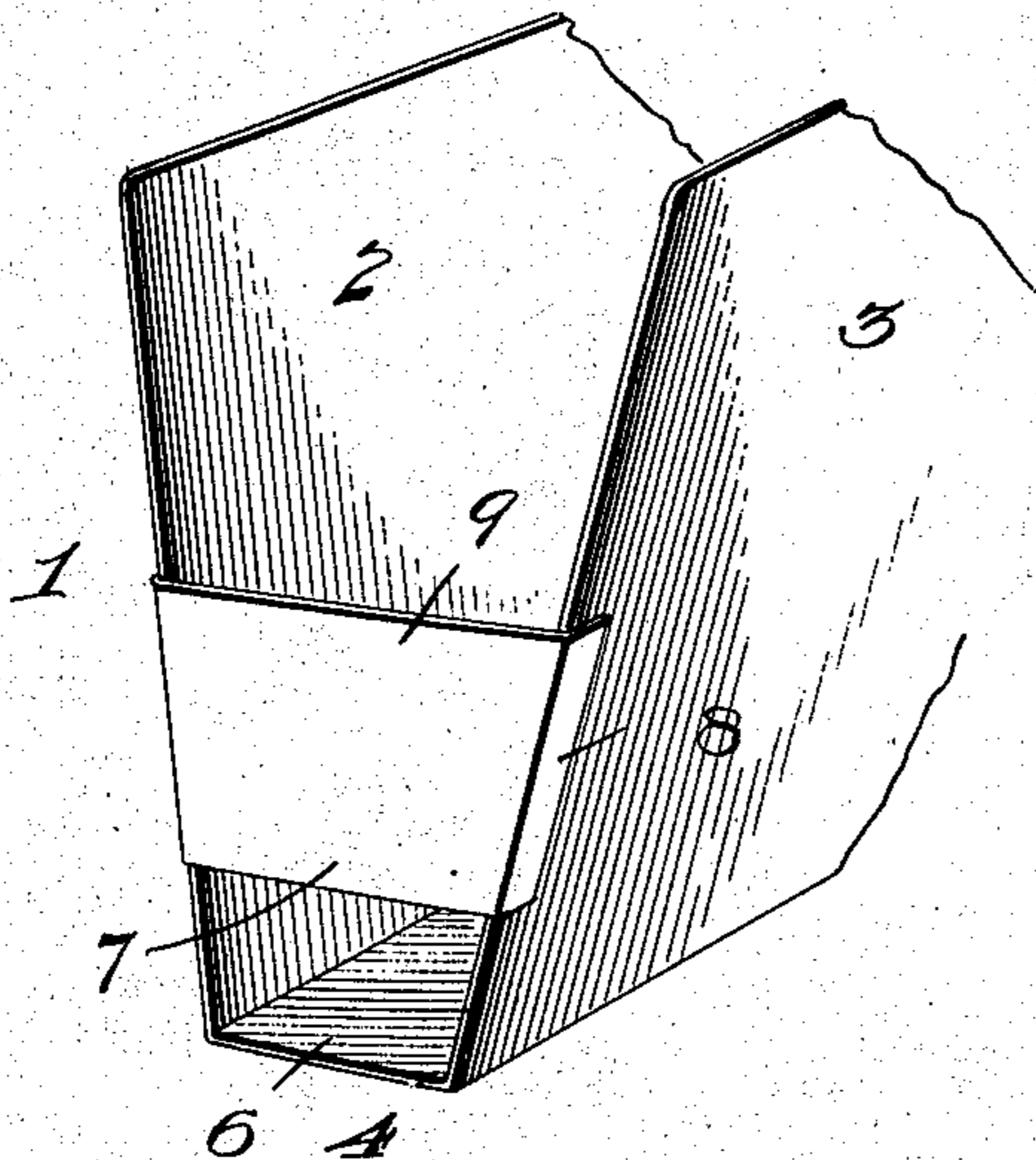


Fig. 1.

Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CLARENCE RICHARD EVANS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, have invented new and useful Improvements in Filing-Folders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to folders for filing papers, and has especial reference to that class of filing-folders which are made of light material, such as heavy paper or bristol-board, and are composed of flaps hinged together and provided at their sides with devices which limit the extent to which the folder may be opened and at the same time permit the flaps to be readily closed.

The object of the invention is to provide an improved filing-folder of this character which will permit of providing ample capacity for containing the papers to be filed therein and which will be simple and economical in construction.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a view in perspective of a filing-folder constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a detail view of the folder when opened to its fullest extent.

1 indicates the filing-folder, made of paste-board or other suitable light and economical material, preferably formed in one piece and having the flaps 2 and 3 and the hinge 4. The hinge 4 is formed by means of a plait 5 of such width as when unfolded flat will form a bottom 6 for the folder proportionally equal in width to the lower end 7 of the folding retaining devices or hinge 8 on either side of the folder. The flaps 2 and 3 are connected at their sides by hinges 8, consisting of thin material—such as paper, linen, or other suitable material—secured to the flaps 2 and 3 in any suitable manner, either by pasting or otherwise, and are formed to fold inward, as

shown, the upper end 9 being wider than the lower end 7, whereby the hinge 8 tapers from top to bottom and permits the folder to be opened wide. The lower end of hinge 8 is located, as shown, above the plait 5, so as to clear the same when folded. It will thus be seen that by means of the relative construction and arrangement of the plait 5 and hinges 8 the folder may be opened to the extent shown in Fig. 1 or to that shown in Fig. 2.

Instead of a single plait 5 the hinge 4 may consist of several plaits, the side hinges 8 being proportional in width to the width of the several plaits when unfolded.

The folder herein described is especially adapted for use in banks and other business places and when completely filled is removed from such filing-cases and stored as a permanent file.

As shown, the top of the flap 2 is lower than the top of the flap 3. By means of this construction when a number of these vertical folders are located in a vertical filing-case the index or other entry on the tops of the outside of the flap 3 of an adjacent folder may be easily read when the flap 3 is drawn back.

Having described my invention, I claim—
As a new article of manufacture, a filing-folder, consisting of flaps having a plaited hinge, constituting an extensible bottom for the folder, and folding hinges connecting the sides of the flaps, and having their lower end located above the plait of the hinge, and tapering from top to bottom in proportion to the width of the plaited hinge when extended, as herein set forth.

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