

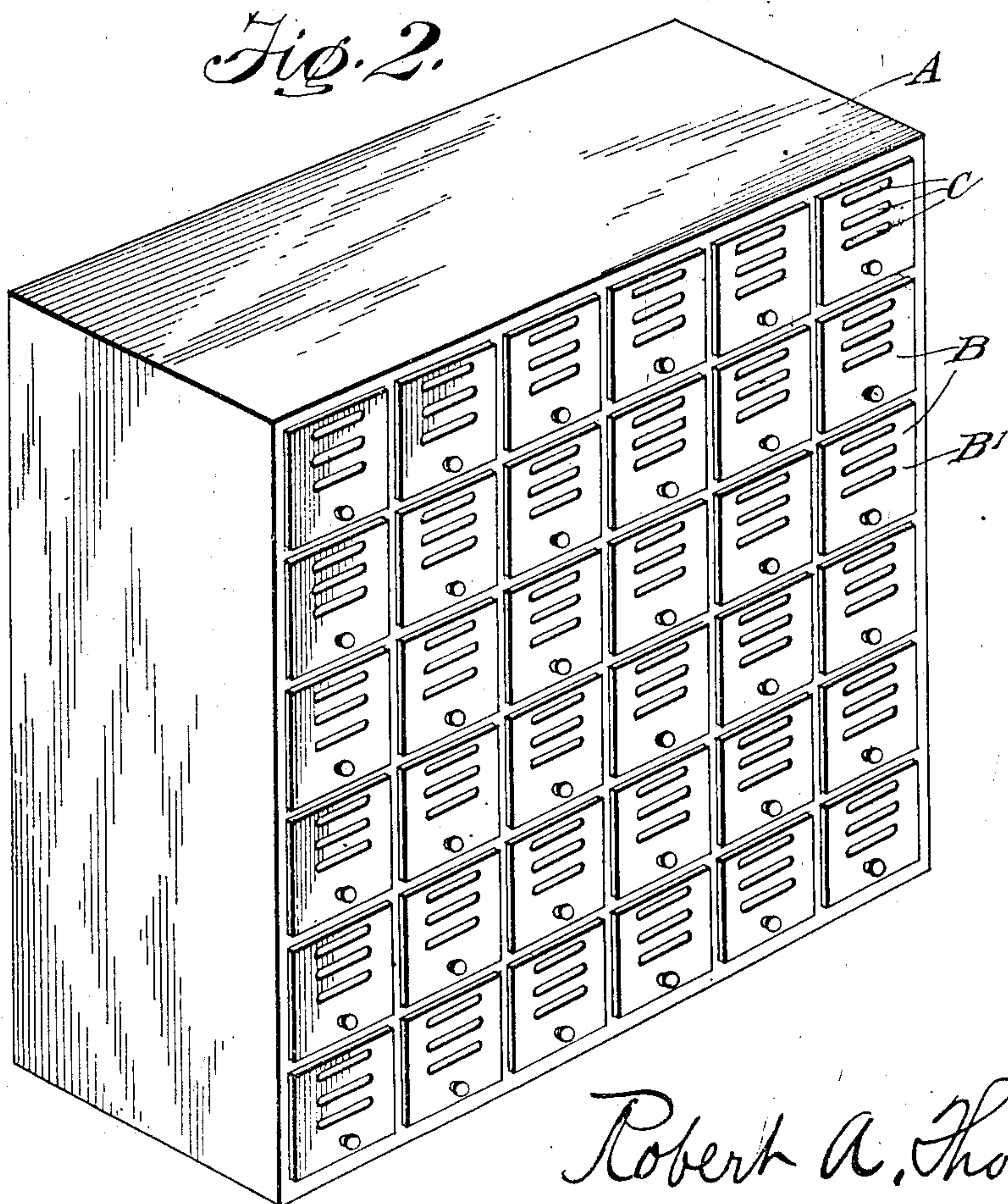
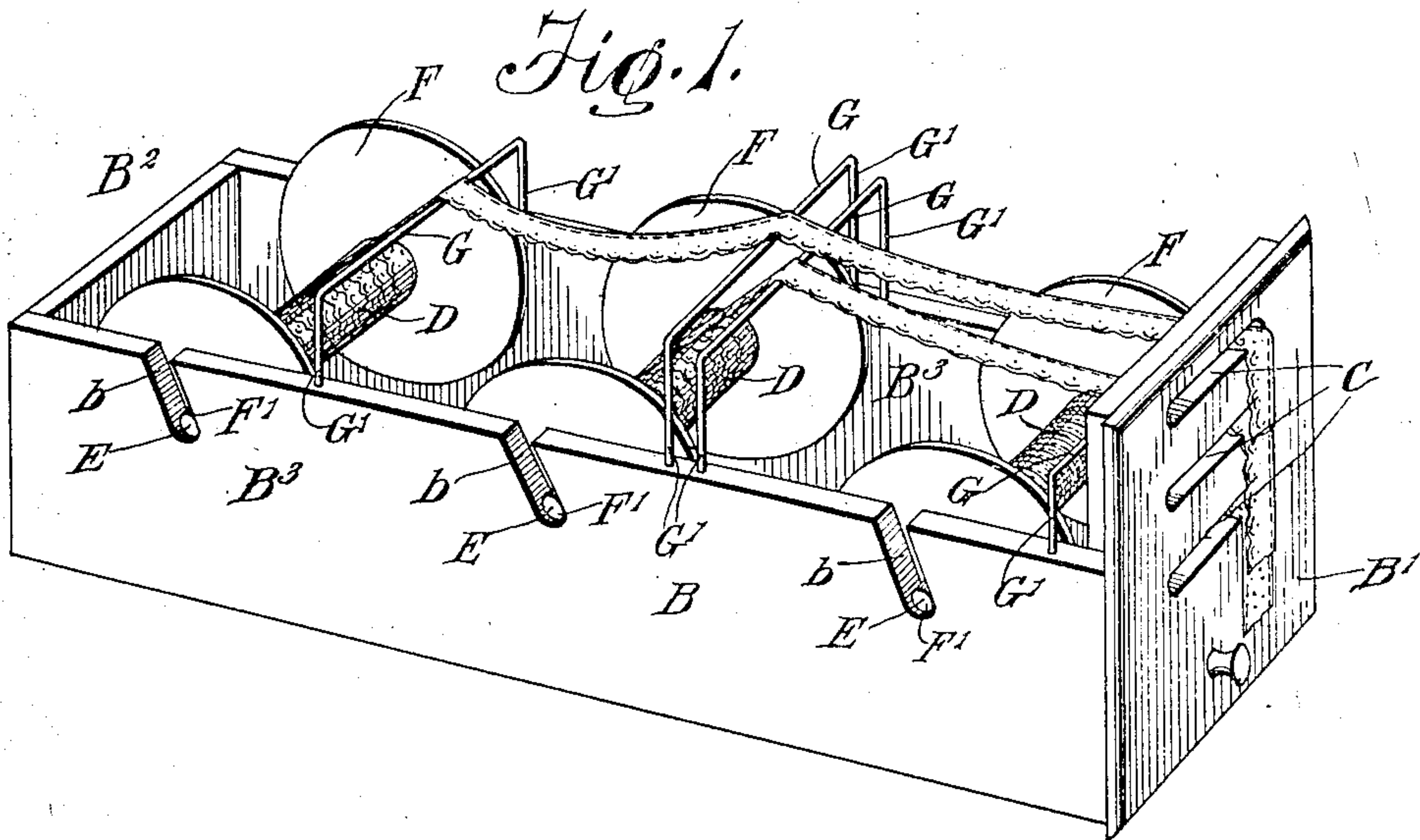
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT A. THORNTON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Sulphur Springs, in the county of Hopkins and State of Texas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Lace-Cabinets, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

10 This invention relates to improvements in lace cabinets, but more particularly that class of cabinets which are provided with a plurality of drawers, arranged horizontally and also vertically in tiers. This arrangement of the cabinet makes it more convenient for the seller as well as the buyer; the former can attend to more customers in a given time, while the latter can complete her shopping in an expeditious manner.

20 The object of the present invention is to construct a device of this character that will be economical in manufacturing, simple in its construction, and offer facilities to expedite time in a salesroom.

25 A further object of the invention is to so arrange the rolls, carrying laces, tapes, ribbons, or other like articles, that they will not contact, whereby they may clog the action of the rolls.

30 A further object of the invention is to so arrange the free ends of the lace or other contents of said rolls, which pass through slots in the front of the drawers on wire guides which are disposed transversely above the edges of the various drawers.

35 With the foregoing and other objects in view, the invention consists in the details of construction and in the arrangement and combination of parts to be hereinafter more fully set forth and claimed.

40 In describing the invention in detail, reference will be had to the accompanying drawings forming part of this specification, wherein like characters denote corresponding parts in the several views, in which—

45 Figure 1 is a perspective of the improved cabinet drawer; Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the cabinet.

50 This lace cabinet A is provided with a plurality of drawers B. Said drawers are arranged horizontally and also vertically in said cabinet. The drawers are provided with horizontal slots C, of sufficient width to allow all sizes of lace or ribbons to pass

therethrough. Arranged transversely with- 55
in said drawers are suspended a number of spools D, which are provided with spindles E, for winding lace or other things thereon. The spindles E project through the circular sides F of the spools, thus forming trunnions F' for supporting said spools, 60
as the spools have to revolve when the lace is drawn therefrom. The drawers referred to are provided with a front portion B', having slots therein as previously stated; 65
the rear ends B², of said drawers are closed, and provided with sides B³. Arranged in said sides are angular openings b, having a rounded bottom b', for supporting the spools D, through the medium of said trunnions F'. The angular slots referred to are 70
inclined from the top edges B³ and extend forward to the bottom thereof so as to prevent the spools from rising in their bearings when lace is rapidly unwound. Arranged above the side B³ of said drawers 75
are guide wires G, so as to prevent the lace from one spool contacting the lace on an adjacent spool. Said guide wires are arranged one below the other, beginning with the rear 80
guide wire, and dropping a sufficient distance for the object in view to the lowermost or front wire. The guide wires are supported by vertical portions G' integral with the transverse portion thereof, and extend 85
some distance into the sides of the drawer sides B³, for supporting the same. Said drawers are bottomless; by this means material is saved in their construction, and it also prevents the dust from accumulating 90
therein, as the dust is precipitated to the bottom of the cabinet.

Having described my invention, that which I desire to claim by Letters Patent is:

A cabinet provided with a plurality of 95
drawers, said drawers being bottomless, guide wires arranged on the sides of said drawers, said guide wires being elevated one above the other in consecutive order, spools rotatably suspended in said drawers, and the 100
means for unwinding said spools.

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

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