

Figure 5. A typical mode of storing fossils. In this example, three flat trays are accommodated in a single drawer. Note the clearly visible, numbered labels and the correspondingly numbered labels attached to the specimens. The less visible parts of the labels carry locality data. A specimen of *Submortoniceras chicoensis* (Trask) is being compared with a photograph of a specimen of the same species in one of the volumes of Upper Cretaceous Ammonites of California, by Tatsuro Matsumoto.

such method employs an initial coat of white lacquer on which the number is printed. When dry, number and base coat are covered with a final coat of clear lacquer thus preserving the number from moisture or abrasion. Colored paper or paint may be used to indicate age groupings and thereby give this identifying feature a dual value.

When attaching permanent labels of any kind to specimens important features should not be covered. Much of the permanent value of a fossil lies in the ease with which it can be used for comparison with other specimens.

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