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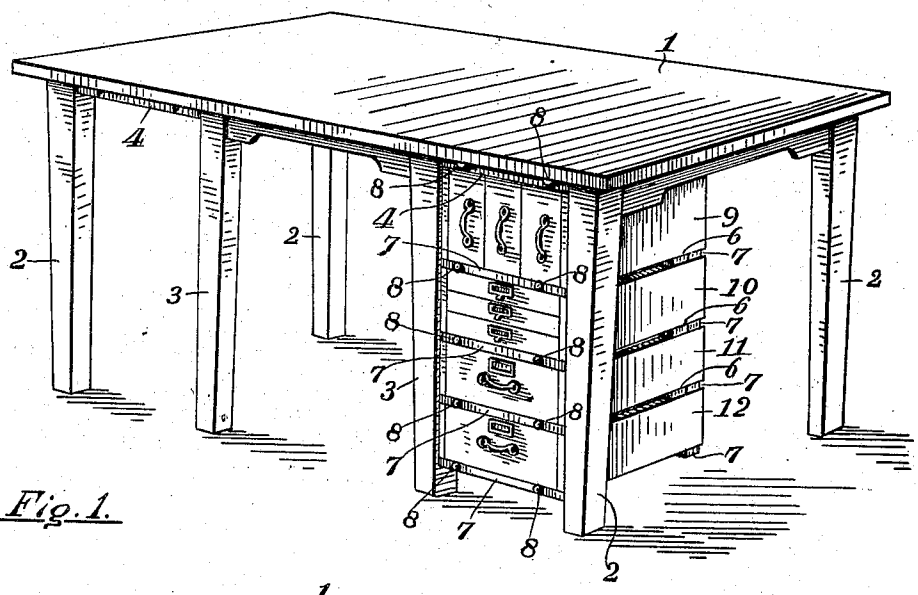


Fig. 1.

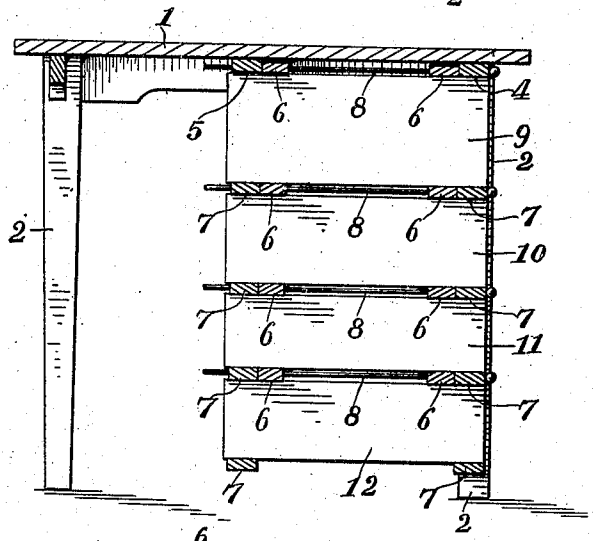


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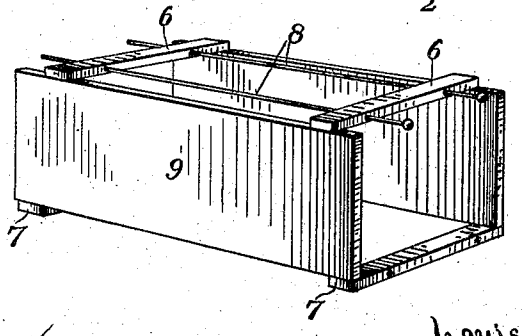


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## DRAWER ATTACHMENT FOR DESKS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, LOUIS C. WALKER and CHARLES E. WILSON, citizens of the United States of America, residing at Muskegon, in the county of Muskegon and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Drawer Attachments for Desks; and we do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

Our invention relates to improvements in drawer attachments for desks, and its object is to provide detached and interchangeable receptacles or drawers adapted to be attached to a desk or table, said desk or table being otherwise complete without such attachments, and the attachments being so constructed that they may be used in greater or less numbers, or not at all, in connection with the table, and to provide the device with various new and useful features hereinafter more fully described and particularly pointed out in the claims.

Our invention consists essentially of a table or desk complete and finished without the attachments, and various attachments adapted to constitute various drawers or filing devices, said attachments preferably being interchangeable and adapted to be used in connection with the table in various relations and in various quantities as occasion requires, and in certain features of combination and arrangement of parts as will more fully appear by reference to the accompanying drawings, in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective of a device embodying our invention; Fig. 2 a transverse vertical section of the same with the various drawers and filing devices omitted; and, Fig. 3 a perspective of one of the attachments for supporting a drawer or filing device.

Like numbers refer to like parts in all of the figures.

1 represents the top of a table or desk; 2 legs beneath the respective corners of the same, said top and legs being of the usual construction.

3 are supplementary legs in line with the front corner legs and spaced apart therefrom. The adjacent surfaces of the legs 2 and 3 are preferably vertical and parallel to embrace the front ends of the various drawer supports to be inserted therebetween. Extending between the legs 2 and 3 are strips 4 attached to the under side of the top between the legs 2 and 3 and corresponding strips 5 are also attached to the top and arranged parallel with the front strips and at a distance therefrom sufficient to receive therebetween strips 6 attached to the top of an interchangeable receptacle 9, on the under side of which are strips 7 corresponding to the strips 4 and 5 and spaced apart the same distance, whereby other strips 6 may be inserted therebetween on the upper side of the next receptacle below, as at 10. A single receptacle or a series of these receptacles as at 9, 10, 11, and 12, superposed one above the other or hanging one below the other, may be used extending within the limits of the space between the table top and the floor and under one or more of the four corners of the table as occasion arises. To support these various receptacles in place, we prefer to use rods 8 extending through alined openings in the various strips 4, 5, and 6, to secure the first receptacle to the table top and through like openings in other strips 6 and 7 on the sucessive receptacles below the same.

The auxiliary legs 3 can obviously be dispensed with in this device. So also various other means of securing the various receptacles in place may be utilized without departing from our invention, which consists essentially of providing a table or desk with a series of receptacles for drawers or filing devices, such receptacles being secured in any convenient manner and used singly or in superposed series, and preferably also interchangeably related, whereby they may be variously arranged and used in greater or less numbers and added to or taken from as occasion may require without changing or modifying the construction of the desk or the table proper.

What we claim is:—

1. In combination with a table or desk a series of superposed and interchangeable receptacles, bottom strips on the table and said receptacles, top strips on said receptacles adapted to be inserted between the bottom strips, and means for detachably connecting the top and bottom strips, whereby the receptacles are detachably and interchangeably secured to the table and to each other.

2. In combination with a table or desk having a top and supporting legs, strips at-

tached to the top and spaced apart, interchangeable receptacles having top and bottom strips, and rods extending through alined openings in said strip whereby the receptacles are secured in place.

3. In combination with a table or desk having a top and supporting legs, a series of interchangeable receptacles arranged in superposed series beneath the top, means for securing the upper receptacle to the table and means for detachably securing each receptacle to the next one above the same.

4. In combination with a table or desk having a top and legs at the respective corners, other legs spaced apart from the corner legs and parallel therewith, a strip between the legs and attached to the top, a strip attached to the top and spaced apart from the first named strip, interchangeable receptacles having top and bottom strips inserted in openings, and rods in said strips whereby the upper receptacle is suspended below the top and the other receptacles are suspended in series below the upper receptacle.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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