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PAINTER'S BRUSH CABINET.

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Fig. 1.

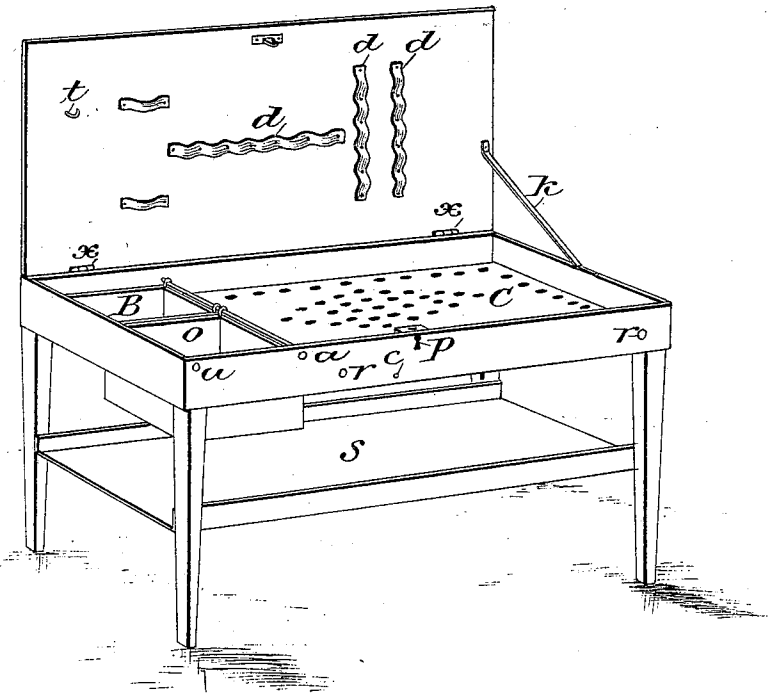
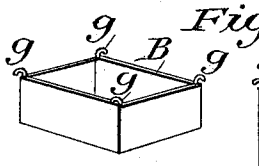
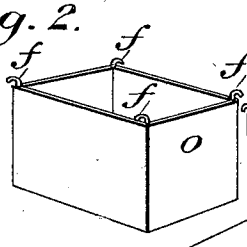


Fig. 2.





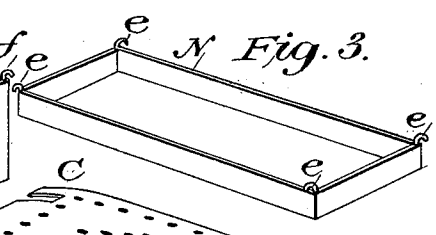
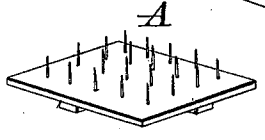
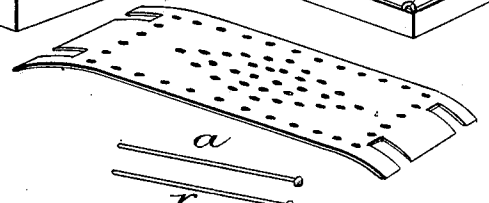


Fig. 3.





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PAINTER'S BRUSH-CABINET.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES HENRY FRANCIS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Nettleton, in the county of Lee and State of Mississippi, have invented a new and useful Brush-Cleaning and Varnish-Saving Device, of which the following is a specification.

The object of the invention is to make a cabinet in which painters may always keep their brushes or the bristles free from paint or varnish and always ready for use, thereby preserving the brushes longer than usual and saving the time necessary to clean them when dirty.

Figure 1 of the drawings is an elevation in perspective of my painter's cabinet, and Figs. 2 and 3 detail views of the most important portions thereof.

In the drawings, A represents the comb with metallic teeth; B, a washpan, which is hung by hooks *g* on the cross-rods *a*, and O a box in which the brushes A are washed and which is suspended by hooks from the rods *a*.

N is a water-pan with a perforate cover C, on which the washed brushes are laid sidewise to drain. This cover C rests on pan N and is hung by hooks *e* to the cross-rods *r*, so that it may be conveniently removed while the brush A rests on it in the cabinet.

p is the lock; *k*, the strap, which holds the cover when it is turned back; *d*, the brush-holding loops on the inside of the cover; *t*, the towel-hook; *x*, the hinges, and *s* a subjacent shelf.

In the box O is kept sufficient benzin or equivalent liquid to cover the metallic teeth of comb A, so as to keep them always clean and ready for use. After the use of a brush it is wiped carefully over the teeth of comb A in order to remove the adhering paint or varnish and then laid sidewise on the perforated cover C, so as to drain off any liquid on the bristles.

What I claim as new is—

A painter's brush-cabinet having in the body thereof, the cross-rods *a a*, *r r*, the box O and the pans B N, the said box and pans being hung by hooks *e f g* on the rods, the box O being provided with the comb A and the pan N with the perforated cover C, all substantially as shown; whereby it may be used by a painter in the manner described.

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