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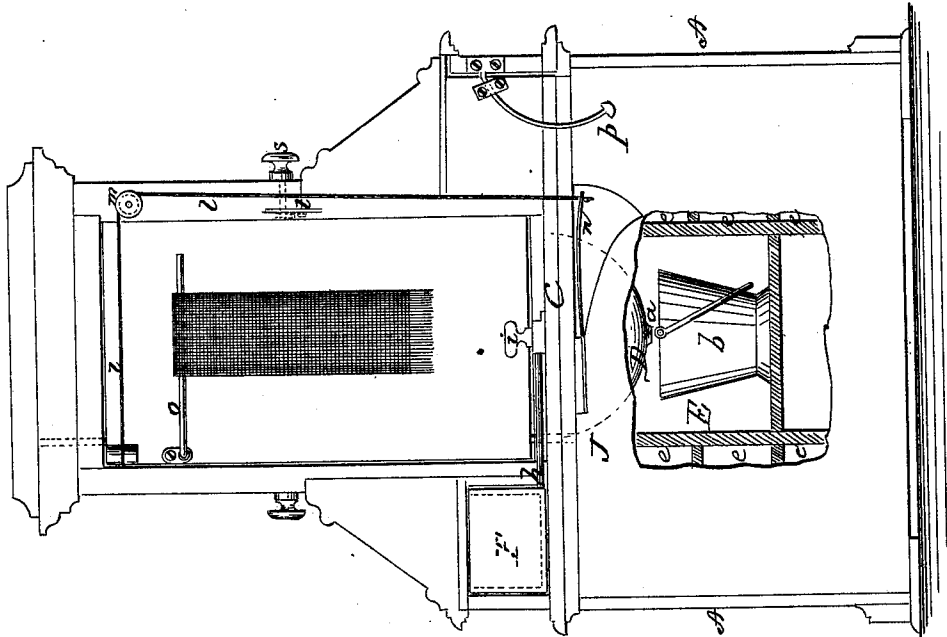
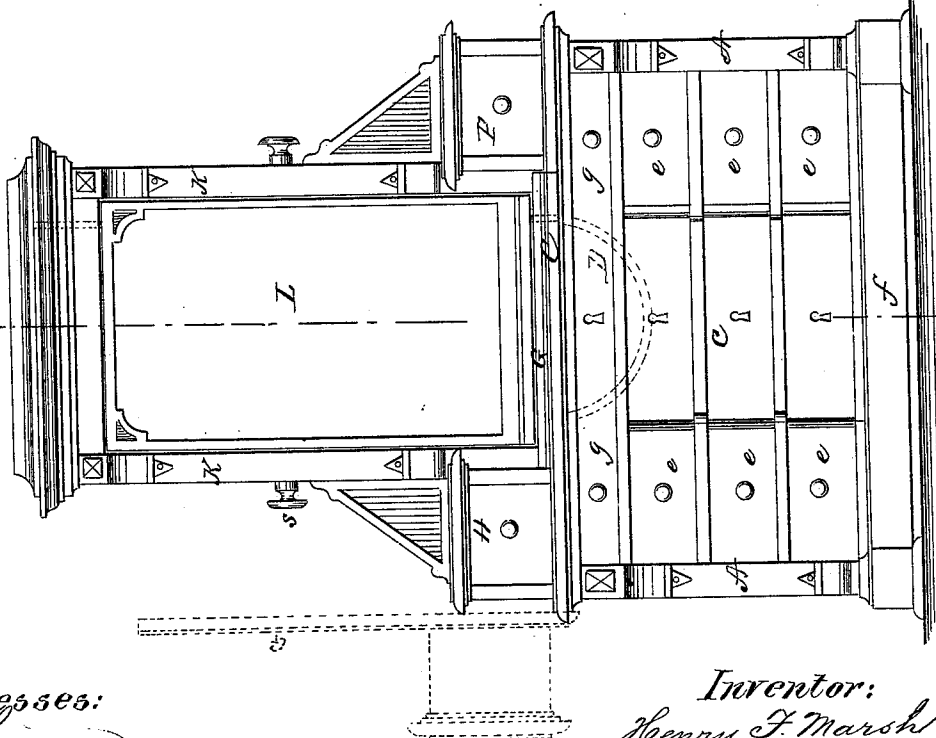


Fig. 1.



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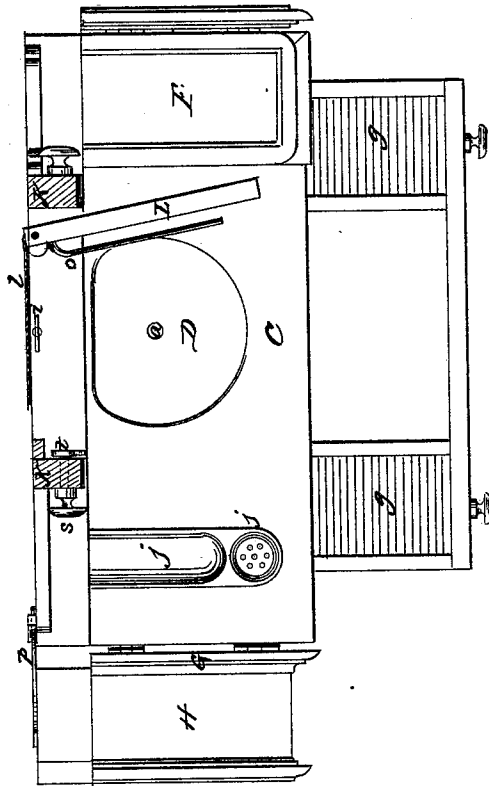
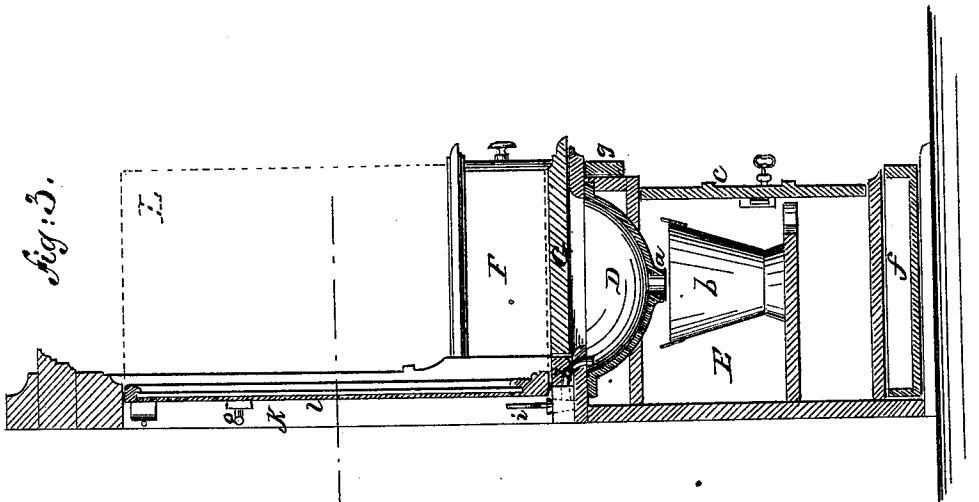


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IMPROVEMENT IN TOILET-CASES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY F. MARSH, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Combined Bureau and Toilet-Case; and that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification.

This invention is in the nature of an improvement in combined bureaus and toilet-cases; and the invention consists in a dressing-case constructed with wash-basin, water-tank, slop-pail, mirror, and a series of drawers, all combined, constructed, and arranged substantially as is hereinafter more particularly described in the following description and accompanying drawings, wherein—

Figure 1 is a front view of my invention. Fig. 2 is a rear view, partly broken out; Fig. 3, a longitudinal section; and Fig. 4, a plan or top view, partly in section.

Similar letters of reference indicate like parts in the several figures.

In the construction and arrangement of my combined bureau and toilet-case the general appearance and nearly all the advantages of an ordinary bureau are obtained, while, at the same time, a complete and convenient dressing-case is produced.

A represents the sides of my dressing-case. These may be of any suitable size, shape, or material; but they are preferably made in about the proportions of an ordinary bureau. Into a top, C, which is suitably secured to the upper ends of the sides, is fitted a wash-basin, D. This basin is provided with a waste-water outlet, *a*, at its bottom. Beneath the basin D, and in a suitable recess, E, is placed a slop-pail, *b*. This recess is provided with a door, *c*, which, when shut, conceals the pail and recess. On each side of the recess E are fitted drawers *e*, and below the recess a drawer, *f*, and above it a drawer, *g*. These drawers are intended to be used for the ordinary purposes of drawers. On the top C, and to the right of the basin D, is secured a tank, F, for the purpose of holding water. This tank has a top or cover fitted to it, and it presents the appearance of an ordinary brush-

box on a bureau. From the bottom of this tank passes a pipe, *h*, designed to supply the basin D with water. This pipe has a faucet, *i*, fitted to it. To the left of the basin D are secured to the top C the ordinary brush and soap boxes *j*. Suitably hinged to the top C, at one side of the same, is a cover, G. This cover may be of marble or wood. It has fixed to it a box, H, corresponding in size and shape with the box inclosing the tank F. This box H, when the cover G is in place, covers the brush and soap boxes *j*. Between the tank F and box H is fixed the frame K of a mirror, L. This mirror is hinged or pivoted to its frame in such manner as to freely turn within it. To the rear side of the mirror, at or near its top, is secured one end of a cord, *l*. This cord passes around a pulley-wheel, *m*, and thence downward until it is secured to the end of a spring, *n*, which spring is fastened to the back J of the toilet-case. To the rear side of the mirror, or rather its back, is fixed a towel-rack, *o*.

Now, my combined bureau and toilet-case being constructed substantially as I have described it, its operation is as follows: The tank F having been filled with water, the cover G is thrown back, in which position it may be held by a brace, *p*, or any similar device. A knob, *s*, is turned, releasing a catch, *t*, in the frame K, when the action of the spring *n* and cord *l* throws the mirror L out of its frame and against the side of the tank E, and clear of the basin D. By this action of the mirror its glass is saved from being spattered by the water in the basin while being used; and it also exposes and presents the towel for use suspended on the rack *o*, and, besides, exposes the faucet *i*, which is turned to admit the water from the tank, the rack, towel, and faucet being concealed when the mirror is in place within its frame. The basin being filled from the tank, as before stated, it is used, and a plug withdrawn from the bottom, and the water in the basin is permitted to flow into the slop-bucket *b*. When the cover G is thrown back, the soap and brush boxes *j* are exposed, ready for use.

When the glass is restored within its frame, and the cover G in place, the whole device then represents and presents the appearance

of an ordinary bureau, its drawers being used for the same purpose, so that, as a matter of fact, it is a combined bureau and toilet-stand.

Having thus described the construction and operation of my combined bureau and toilet-stand, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A combined bureau and toilet-stand, constructed with a fixed water tank and basin, the latter concealed by a hinged cover, having a false drawer secured thereto at one end to serve as a cover to the soap-dish, substantially as and for the purpose described.

2. In a combined bureau and toilet-stand, a mirror pivoted at one side, and combined with a spring and catch, so as to be auto-

matically turned aside when the towel is to be used, substantially as and for the purpose described.

3. In a combined bureau and toilet-stand, a towel-rack secured to the back of the mirror, so as to be out of sight when the mirror is to be used, substantially as and for the purpose described.

4. In a combined bureau and toilet-stand, the water faucet and pipe, arranged on the stand in the rear of the mirror, substantially as and for the purpose described.

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