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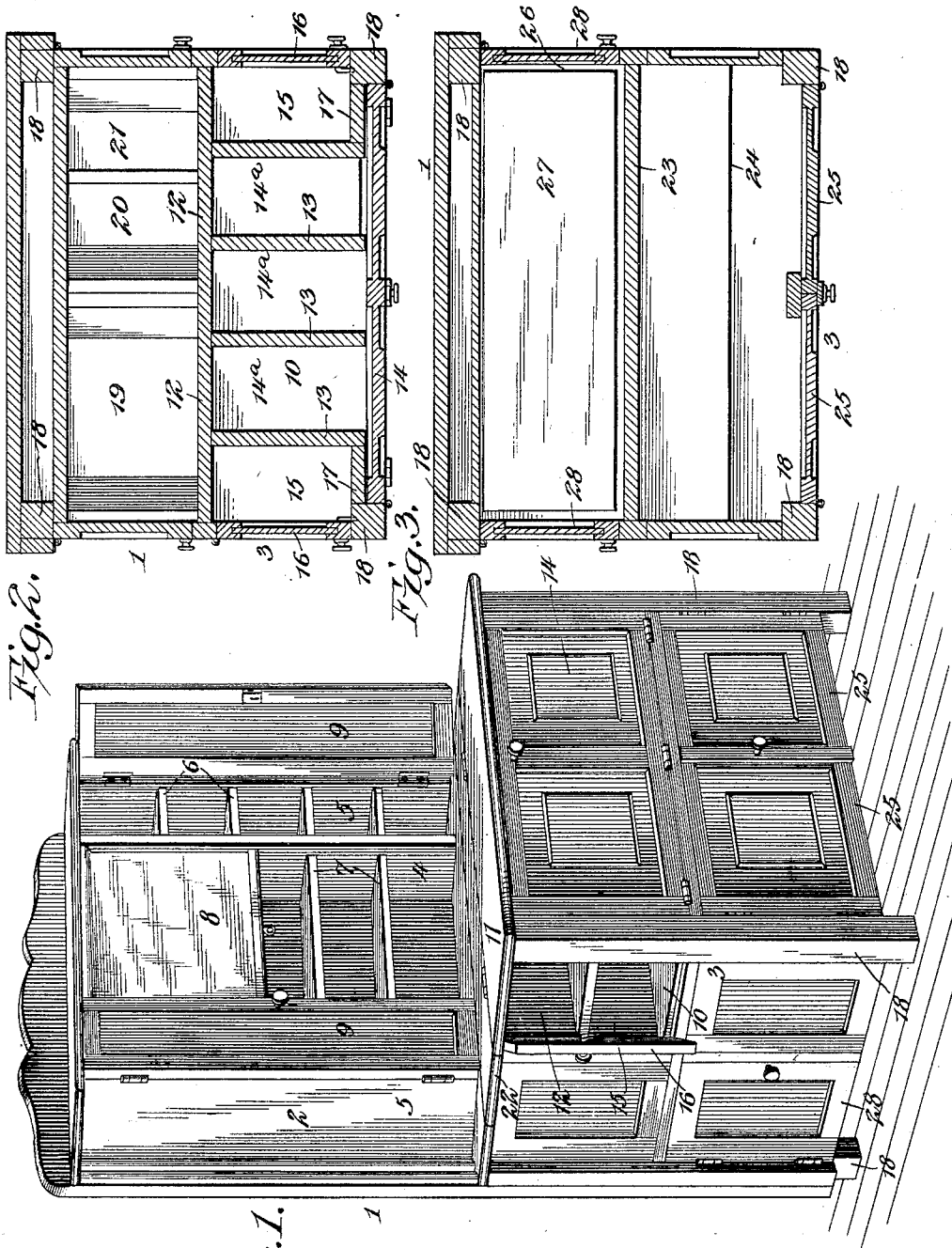
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, REBECCA J. COLE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Olin, in the county of Jones and State of Iowa, have
5 invented a new and useful Kitchen-Cabinet, of which the following is a specification.

The invention relates to improvements in kitchen-cabinets.

The object of the present invention is to
10 improve the construction of kitchen-cabinets and to provide a simple and comparatively inexpensive one adapted to afford a table and a cupboard and capable of compactly containing various articles of food and various in-
15 gredients employed in the preparation of food and kitchen utensils and of affording ready access to the same.

The invention consists in the construction and novel combination and arrangement of
20 parts hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, and pointed out in the claim hereto appended.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a kitchen-cabinet constructed in ac-
25 cordance with this invention. Figs. 2 and 3 are horizontal sectional views of the lower portion of the kitchen-cabinet, illustrating the construction and arrangement of the compartments.

30 Like numerals of reference designate corresponding parts in all the figures of the drawings.

1 designates a kitchen-cabinet comprising an upper portion or cupboard 2 and a lower
35 body portion 3, which is extended outward in advance of the upper portion or cupboard, as clearly illustrated in Fig. 1 of the accompanying drawings, and the said kitchen-cabinet may be constructed of any suitable material and may be made either ornamental or plain,
40 as will be readily understood. The upper portion or cupboard, which forms a top shelf or support, is composed of a central portion 4 and side portions 5 and is provided with
45 horizontal shelves 6 and 7, which may be arranged in any suitable manner. The central portion is normally covered or concealed by a curtain 8, of oil-cloth or any other suitable material, and the spaces or compart-
50 ments of the side portions 5 are closed by doors 9, hinged at their outer edges, as clearly illustrated in Fig. 1 of the accompanying draw-

ings, and provided at their inner free edges with suitable locks to enable them to be se-
curely fastened in their closed positions. The
55 curtain may be constructed in any suitable manner, and it may be provided with any suitable means for holding it when drawn down for covering the central space of the
60 cupboard.

The lower body portion of the kitchen-cabinet is divided by a horizontal partition 10, ar-
ranged approximately midway between the top and bottom of the lower body portion, and the top 11 of the lower body portion is adapt-
65 ed to serve as a table and may be used for all the purposes to which an ordinary kitchen-table may be put. The space above the horizontal partition 10 is divided by a central vertical partition 12, arranged parallel with the
70 front of the lower portion of the kitchen-cabinet, as clearly shown in Fig. 2. The space in advance of the vertical partition 12 is divided by vertical partitions 13 into a series of compartments, to which access is had from the
75 front of the kitchen-cabinet by means of an upper door 14. This door 14, which is hinged at its lower edge and which is provided at its upper or free edge with a suitable fastening device or catch, affords access to the com-
80 partment 14 between the said partitions 13; but access to the end compartments 15 is had by means of end doors 16. The doors 16, which are located at opposite sides of the
85 kitchen-cabinet, are preferably hinged at their rear edges and are provided at their front edges with suitable catches. These end compartments 15 are closed at the front by
90 walls 17, consisting, preferably, of the material of which the legs are constructed and suitable boards or partitions extending inward from the legs 18 to the adjacent partitions 13.

The space in rear of the vertical partition 12 is divided into a series of bins 19, 20,
95 and 21 by suitable partitions, and the top of the lower body portion of the kitchen-cabinet is provided with a hinged lid or section 22, which is adapted to be swung forward upon the main section of the top 11. These bins,
100 which are adapted to contain flour and meal, are arranged within convenient reach of the operator, who may obtain such material without leaving the table. The space beneath

the horizontal partition 10 is divided by a vertical longitudinal partition 23, and the space in advance of the partition is preferably provided with a shelf 24.

5 The lower portion of the body of the kitchen-cabinet is provided with a pair of doors 25, hinged at their outer edges and provided at their inner edges with a suitable fastening device or catch. The rear space or compartment 26, in rear of the partition 23, extends 10 entirely through the casing of the kitchen-cabinet from one side to the other and receives a removable sliding tray 27, adapted to be readily withdrawn at either side of the kitchen-cabinet and designed to form a support for numerous articles and adapted to 15 enable such articles to be compactly stored away and to be conveniently obtained when desired. The rear compartment 26 is closed 20 by end doors 28, hinged at their rear edges and provided at their front edges with suitable fastening devices. Various other partitions or division-boards may be provided, and the compartments may be differently 25 arranged in the several main divisions or parts of the kitchen-cabinet, without varying essentially the general arrangement.

It will be seen that the kitchen-cabinet, which is simple and comparatively inexpensive 30 in construction, furnishes both a table and a cupboard and is adapted to contain a large variety of kitchen and table utensils and various ingredients employed in the preparation of food and that these articles 35 are compactly and conveniently arranged and will enable a person to readily obtain them without leaving the table. It will also be apparent that the kitchen-cabinet will in this manner save much labor and that the sliding support or tray, which extends substantially 40 the entire length of the rear compartment, is adapted to be drawn outward from either end of the said compartment and will enable a large number of articles to be compactly

stored and to be quickly obtained without 45 handling a large number of articles or utensils.

The upper and lower portions of the kitchen-cabinet may be joined together in any suitable manner, the upper portion being preferably constructed separate from the lower 50 portion and connected with the same at the back by means of a board or piece secured to both of the parts. Suitable braces may also be employed for supporting the upper portion or cupboard, and I desire it to be understood 55 that these and similar changes within the scope of the appended claim may be resorted to without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the advantages of this invention. 60

What I claim is—

A kitchen-cabinet comprising an upper section or cupboard, the lower body portion extending in advance of the cupboard or upper 65 section to form a table and provided with a horizontal partition and having upper and lower longitudinal partitions forming upper and lower rear compartments, the front doors located at the front of the lower body portion, the transverse partitions 13, located in 70 advance of the upper longitudinal partition, the short end partitions 17, the upper side doors 16 arranged at end compartments formed by the adjacent partitions 13 and 17, 75 the lower side doors 28 arranged at the ends of the lower rear compartment, and the longitudinal tray extending the entire length of the lower rear compartment and adapted to be drawn outward at either side of the kitchen-cabinet, substantially as described. 80

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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