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FIG. 1.

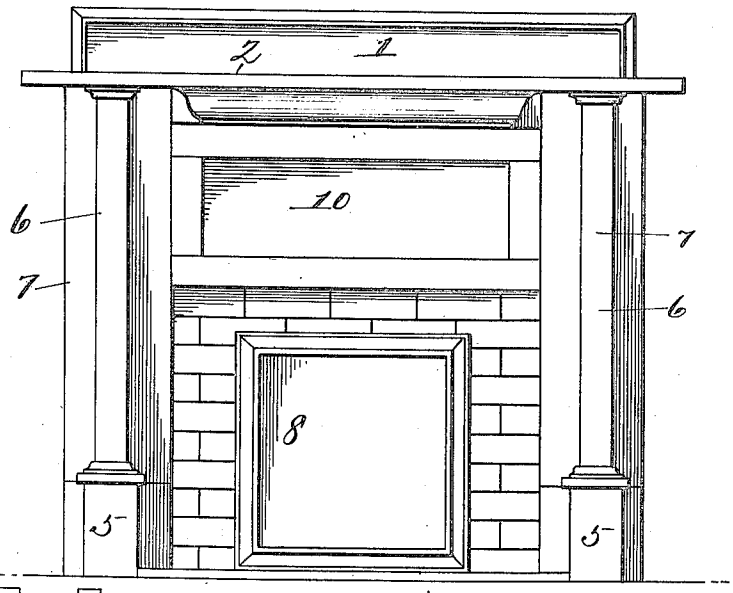
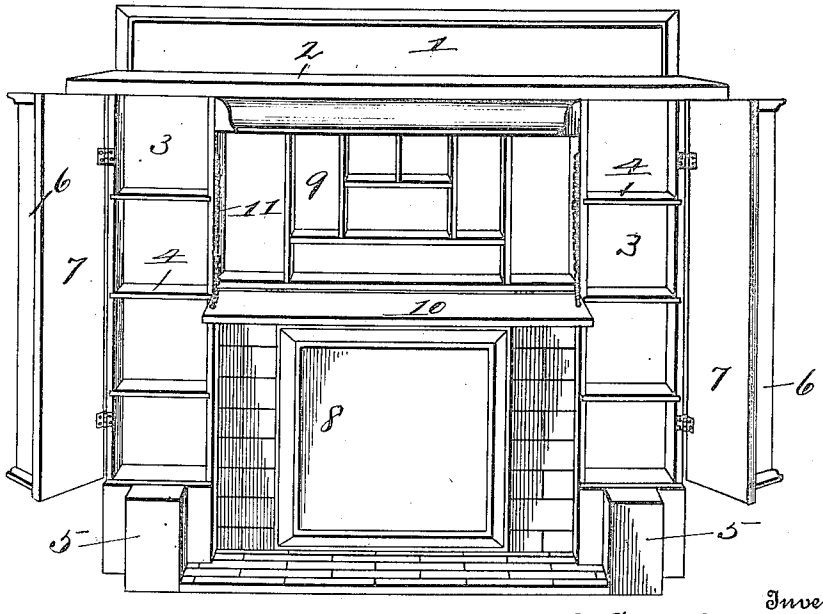


FIG. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, FRANK E. SMITH and JOSEPH MARTIN, citizens of the United States, residing at Delphos, in the county of Allen and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Combined Bookcases, Desks, and Mantels, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a combination bookcase, desk and portable mantel, the device embodying all of these features in one article of furniture, capable of being moved from house to house or room to room, or being shifted from one position in the room to another.

So far as we know mantelpieces have always heretofore been permanently installed in buildings, being attached to a particular wall space and not being movable without defacing the wall.

This invention consists of the novel features of construction hereinafter described, pointed out in the claim and shown in the accompanying drawings, in which,

Figure 1 is a front view of the device, in closed position. Fig. 2 is a similar view, parts being shown in open position.

In constructing the device, we employ a suitable back 1, to which is secured the various parts which go to make up the complete device.

Across the upper portion of the back extends a shelf 2, which forms the mantel. Upon the sides are the book cases 3 provided with suitable shelves 4. The book-cases terminate short of the base and in advance of the same are placed lower sections 5 of front columns 6, the upper sections of these columns being carried by the front faces of doors 7, which close the book-cases. Between the lower portions of the book-cases is arranged any ornamental design 8 in imitation of tiling and a closed fire place.

In the upper portion and beneath the mantel 2 is arranged a compartment 9 provided with suitable partitions and shelves and having a downwardly and outwardly swinging cover 10 which when in open position is supported by chains 11, and forms a writing desk.

Any ornamental features desired may be incorporated with the construction above described, and the entire device can be readily moved from place to place as can any other piece of furniture.

What we claim is:—

The combination with a mantelpiece having a shelf, a base having column sections thereupon, compartments arranged below said shelf, hinged doors for said compartments, and column sections carried by the outer faces of said doors, the last mentioned column sections registering with the columns of the base sections when the doors are closed and swinging clear of said base sections when the doors are in open position, the upper ends of said columns engaging the underside of the shelf.

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