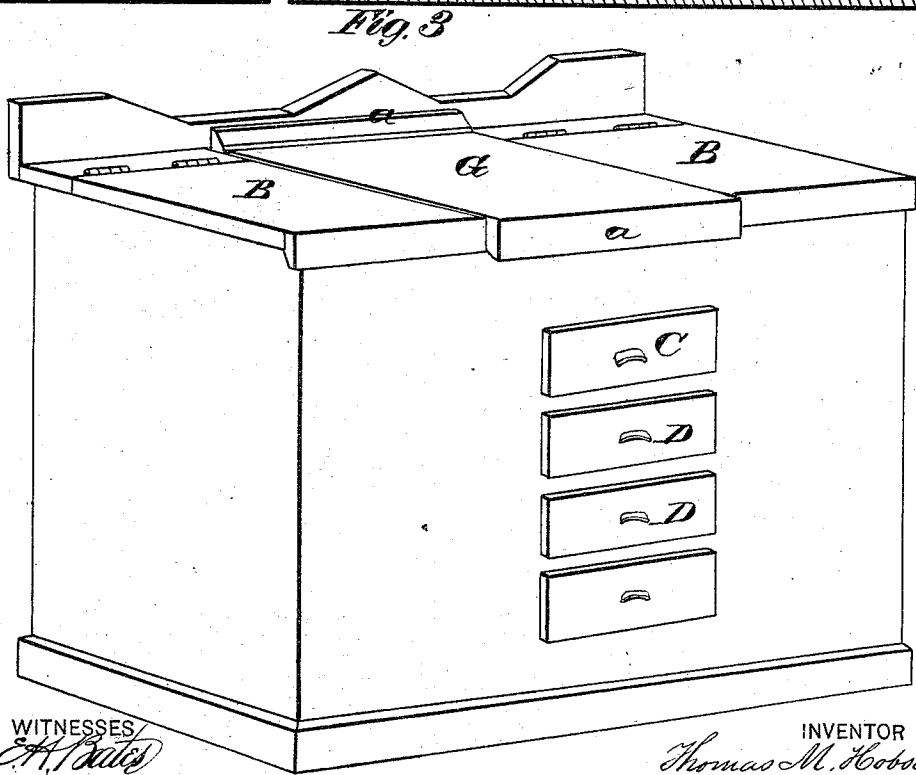
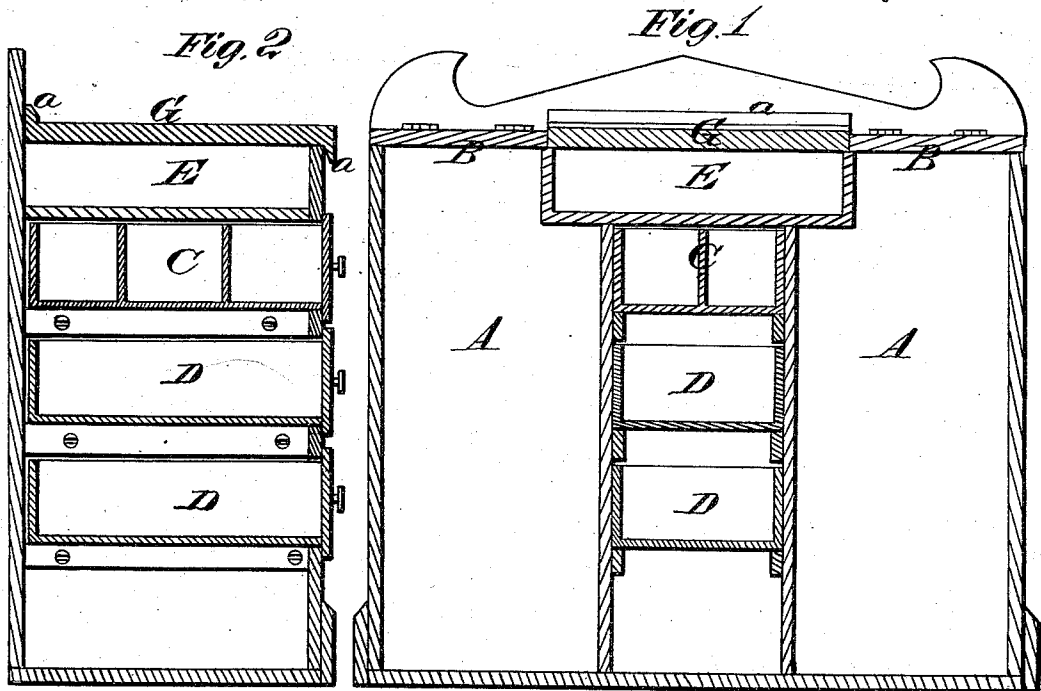


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IMPROVEMENT IN KNEADING-BOARDS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS M. HOBSON, of Paola, in the county of Miami and State of Kansas, have invented a new and valuable Improvement in Kneading-Boards and Chests; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 of the drawing is a representation of a longitudinal vertical section of my device, and Fig. 2 is a transverse vertical sectional view of the same. Fig. 3 is a perspective view.

This invention has relation to chests which are used in the culinary department for containing flour, meal, spices, and the like; and the nature of my invention consists in combining with such a chest or dresser a removable kneading-board, which is reversible, and which serves as a cover for one of the compartments of the chest, and is held in place by the hinged covers of two side compartments, as will be hereinafter explained.

In the annexed drawings, A A designate two side compartments of the chest, one of which can be used for containing meal, and the other for containing flour. These compartments extend from the top to the bottom of the chest, and they are provided with hinged covers B B, having flanges on their front

edges, which keep dust out of the compartments when the covers are down. C designates a drawer, which is between the compartments A A, and which is divided into a number of cells for containing baking-powder, soda, and spices. Below this drawer are two drawers, D D, for containing sugar and salt. E designates a receptacle for rolling-pins, cake-cutters, &c., which is above the drawer C, and which encroaches somewhat upon the receptacles A A. This receptacle E is provided with a removable kneading-board, G, having flanges *a a* on both of its edges. One side of this board G is painted, but the other side is not painted. When the painted side is up the board serves as a cover only to the receptacle E; but when the unpainted side is up it serves as a kneading-board as well as a cover.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The reversible kneading-board G, formed with flanges *a* at each end, and applied as a cover over a receptacle, E, and held between the covers B B of receptacles A A, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the above I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two witnesses.

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