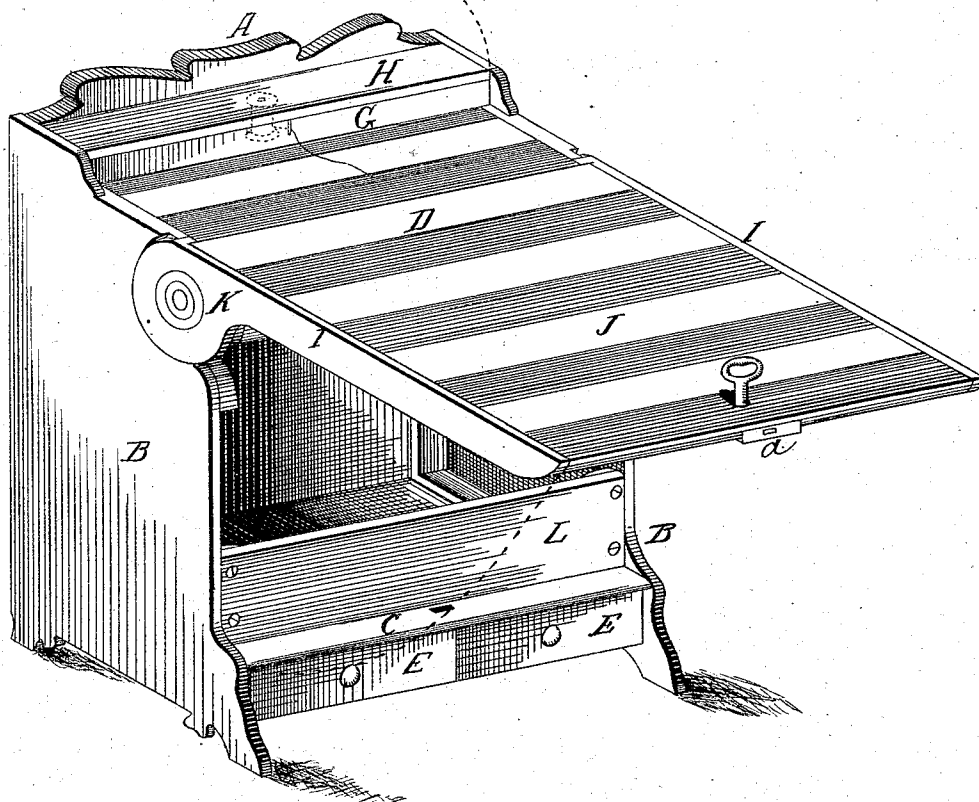


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IMPROVEMENT IN SEWING-CABINETS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL R. RUCKEL, of Kansas City, county of Jackson and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Ladies' Sewing or Work Stands, of which the following is a specification:

The nature of my invention consists in the construction and arrangement of a ladies' sewing or work stand, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawing, which represents a perspective view of my improved sewing-stand.

The case of the stand is formed of the back A, end pieces B B, bottom C, and top D, the lower ends of the end pieces forming the feet upon which the stand rests. The bottom C is elevated a suitable distance above the feet, and below said bottom are two drawers, E E. The back A is extended above the top D, and the rear part of the side pieces B B is also extended a short distance above the top to form the ends of a box, G, on the upper side of the top, and along the back A. The lid H of this box may be either hinged or removable. This box G is mainly intended for a spool-rack, it being provided with vertical pins, upon which the spools are placed; but it may also be used as a receptacle for scissors, needles, thimble, or other similar small articles. J is the front

of the case A B C D, which front is secured to side arms I I, and these arms hinged to the upper front corners of the side pieces B B by means of hinges K. The hinges K are constructed in the same manner as described in my application for patent on school-desk hinge, which was allowed March 2, 1874—that is to say, the hinge is provided with interior flanges and stops, so arranged that, when the front J is raised to form a table in continuation of the top D, the inner or hinge ends of the arms I I will settle down and form a self-sustaining support to hold the front J in a horizontal position; and when the front is to be let down to close the case, it must first be lifted bodily upward and forward before it will turn upon its pivots. At the lower edge of the front J is a suitable lock, a, for locking the same when closed down. Above the bottom C, at the front of the case, is a board, L, which closes the bottom part of the case in front to keep the work inside of the case.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination, with the case A B C D, of the drawers E, spool-rack box G, and the front J, attached to the arms I, and hinged by means of the hinges K to the case, all constructed and arranged substantially as and for the purposes herein set forth.

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