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Fig. 1.
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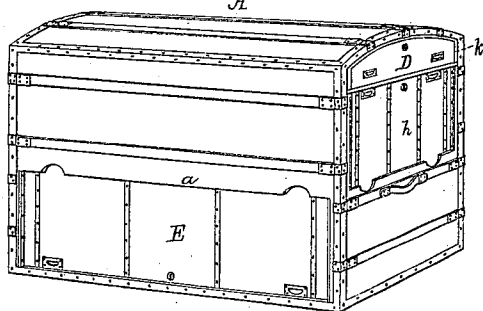


Fig. 2.
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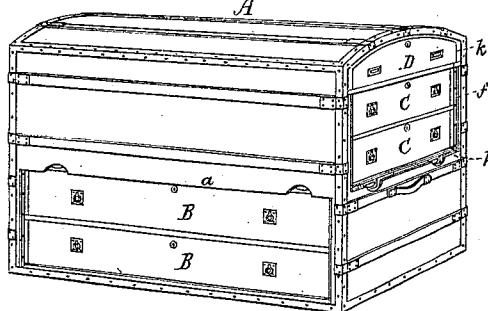


Fig. 3.

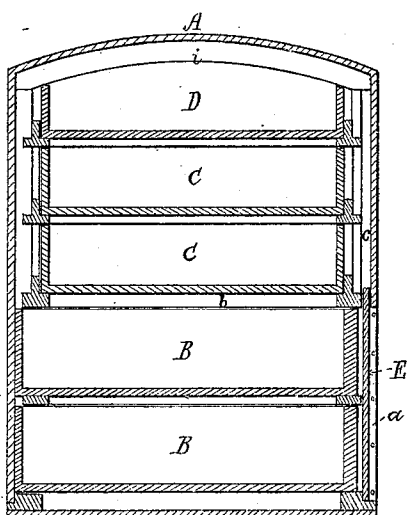
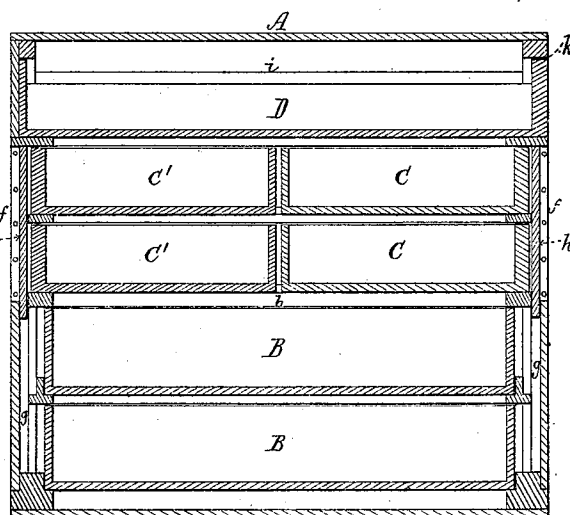


Fig. 4.



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TRUNK.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANCIS M. PIPER, of Lynn, of the county of Essex and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Trunks; and I do hereby declare the same to be described in the following specification, and represented in the accompanying drawings, of which—

Figure 1 is a perspective elevation of my improved trunk with its drawer-covers as closed. Fig. 2 is a similar view, showing the drawer-covers as moved away from the drawer-fronts. Fig. 3 is a transverse section, and Fig. 4 a longitudinal section, of the trunk.

The nature of my invention is duly set forth in the claim or claims hereinafter presented.

In this trunk the body is provided with one or more drawers, and it also has a cover thereto to slide up and down on or within it, the said body, so as to either cover or uncover the front of each drawer.

In the drawings, A denotes the body of the trunk, which is represented as having within its lower part two drawers, B B, and an opening or mouth, *a*, on one side of the body, for such drawers to be moved into and out of the body. There is within the trunk-body, and over the chamber *b* thereof, in which such drawers are placed, a narrow space or chamber, *c*, for reception, when it is raised above the drawers, of a slide or cover, E, placed in front of the drawers, and so adapted to the body as to be capable of being moved therein, so as to either cover or uncover the front of each of the drawers B. Such cover may be provided with suitable devices for fastening it in either of its positions—that is, when it is down to cover the front of each drawer, or up so as to uncover the same.

Besides the drawers B B there are in the body two sets of drawers, C C, C' C', which are

arranged, as shown, over the drawers B B. The body has within it two chambers for receiving the drawers C C, C' C'. The mouths of these chambers are in the opposite ends of the body, as shown at *f f* in Fig. 4, one of such mouths being represented in Fig. 2. There is in the body of the trunk, and below each of such mouths, a narrow chamber or space, *g*, for reception of a sliding cover, *h*, adapted to the body, so as to be capable of being moved up therein in order to cover the fronts of the drawers. Furthermore, over the sets of end drawers, C C, C' C', and in the upper part of the body, there is a chamber, *i*, for reception of a drawer, D, the mouth *k* of the said chamber being at one end of the body.

The trunk thus made may be termed a "bureau-trunk," it having no top or lid hinged to the body. Each of the drawers may be provided with a lock for fastening it in place, and, besides, it may have one or more handles to its front to facilitate the pulling out of it the said drawer.

If desirable, the mouth of the uppermost drawer-chamber may be provided with a cover.

I claim as my invention in the said described trunk as follows:

The trunk-body provided with one or more drawer-receiving chambers to open through one side of the body, and also with one or more drawer-receiving chambers to open through one or both of the ends of the body, as set forth, and with a cover-receiving chamber and a sliding cover thereto to the mouth of each of such drawer-chambers, and with one or more drawers to each of the said chambers, all being substantially as set forth.

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