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DRESSING CASE, BUREAU, &c.

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Fig. 1

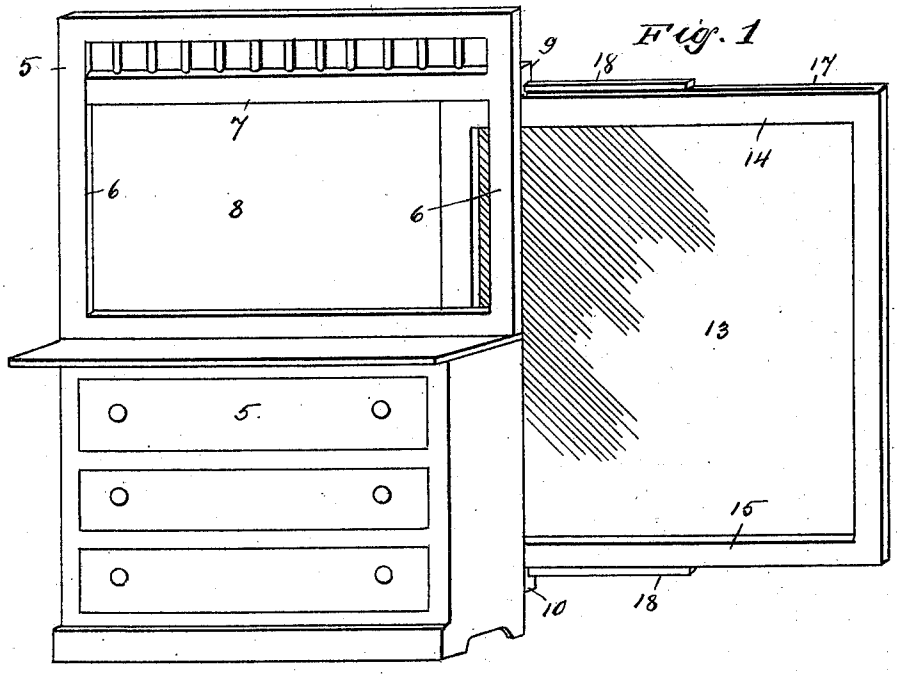


Fig. 2

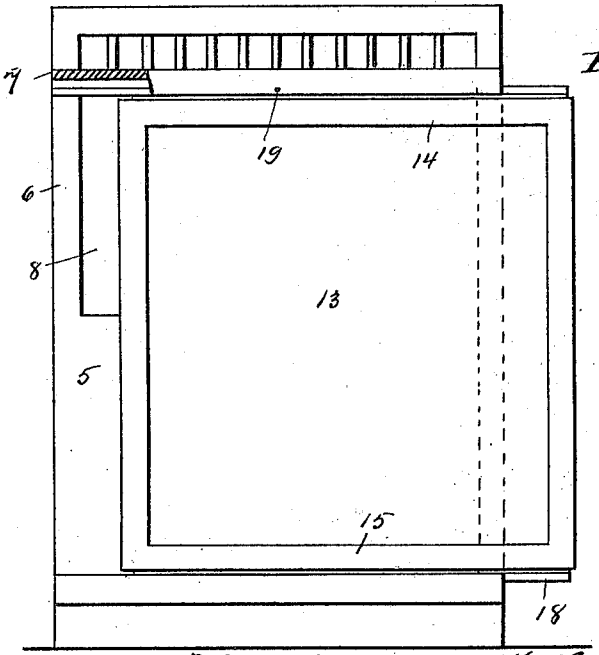
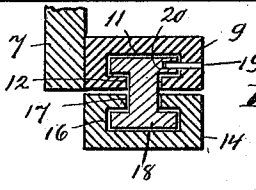


Fig. 3



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM A. V. PORTER, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Dressing-Cases, Bureaus, &c., of which the following is a full and complete specification, such as will enable those skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to dressing-cases, bureaus, and similar articles of furniture; and the object thereof is to provide an article of this class with a mirror which is mounted at the back and adapted to slide transversely thereof, so that it may be projected at either side of the dressing-case or bureau.

The invention is fully disclosed in the following specification, of which the accompanying drawings form a part, in which—

Figure 1 is a front view of a bureau provided with my improvement; Fig. 2, a back view thereof, and Fig. 3 a sectional detail of the construction.

In the drawings forming part of this specification the separate parts of my improvement are designated by the same numerals of reference in each of the views, and in said drawings I have shown at 5 an ordinary bureau or dressing-case which is provided with a back-frame consisting of two upright end standards 6 and one or more cross bars or plates 7 at the top thereof, and the lower ends of the standards are secured to the bureau and form the rear corner-pieces thereof, and this frame is open, as clearly shown at 8 in Figs. 1 and 2. Secured to the back of the upper part of the said frame is a cross-strip 9, and at the bottom of the back of the bureau or dressing-case is a similar cross-strip 10, and each of these strips is provided with a longitudinal central opening 11, which is angular in cross-section and which is best shown in Fig. 3, and in the bottom of the strip 9 is a longitudinal slot 12, which communicates with said longitudinal central opening 11, and the upper side of the strip 10 is provided with a similar slot and longitudinal opening, as will be readily understood.

I also provide a mirror 13, the frame of which is angular in form and the upper side 14 and the lower side 15 of said frame are each provided with a longitudinal central opening 16, which is similar to that formed in the strip 9, and in the upper side of the strip 14 and the lower side of the strip 15 of the mirror-frame are formed longitudinal slots 17, which communicate with said longitudinal openings.

I also provide a slide 18, which is of the form in cross-section of a double T and which is mounted in said longitudinal openings in the upper part 14 and lower part 15 of the mirror-frame and in the strips 9 and 10, which are secured to the dressing-case or bureau, and these slides 18 secure the mirror to the strips 9 and 10 and also permit it to slide between said strips, and the strip 9 is provided at the back thereof with a pin 19, which passes therethrough and into a longitudinal slot at 20, formed in the upper part of the corresponding slide 18.

The object of the pin 19 is to prevent the slides 18 from being withdrawn from the strips 9 and 10, and the operation will be readily understood from the foregoing description when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings and the following statement thereof.

The longitudinal slots 17 in the top of the upper part 14 of the mirror-frame and in the bottom of the lower part 15 do not extend entirely to the ends of said parts, as is shown in Fig. 1, and by means of this construction the mirror may be pulled outwardly, as shown in Fig. 1, in which operation the slides 18 will also move outwardly, and the pin 19 prevents said slides from being entirely withdrawn from the bureau or dressing-case or from the strips 9 and 10, while at the same time the slides 18 are adapted to move from one side of the mirror-frame to the other, said slides being longitudinally movable in the grooves 17.

My improvement is simple in construction and operation, and it will be apparent that many changes in and modifications of the construction herein described may be made without departing from the spirit of my invention or sacrificing its advantages.

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

1. A bureau or dressing-case which is provided with a frame, which is projected there-

above, and a mirror mounted at the back of the frame and extending from the upper side of the frame downwardly back of said bureau or dressing-case to a point near the bottom thereof, and adapted to slide outwardly at either side of the case, substantially as shown and described.

2. A bureau or dressing-case which is provided at the back thereof with a sliding mirror which extends from a point above the body thereof downwardly back of said bureau or dressing-case to a point near the bottom thereof, and is adapted to be projected at either side of said bureau or dressing-case, and which projects above the body portion thereof.

3. A bureau or dressing-case, the same being provided with a frame which extends above the said bureau or dressing-case, said frame being provided at the upper part thereof with a cross-strip having a longitudinal central opening and a slot which communicates therewith, said bureau or dressing-case being provided adjacent to the bottom thereof with a similar cross-piece, which is provided with a similar longitudinal opening and slot; a mirror having a frame which is angular in form, and the upper and lower sides of which are each provided with a longitudinal opening and slot which are similar to the said openings and slots in said cross-pieces; and slides one half of each being adapted to slidably fit in one of the longitudinal openings and slots in said cross-pieces, and the other half in the corresponding opening and slot of said mirror-frame, whereby the said mirror is held on the said bureau or dressing-case and permitted to slide toward either side thereof, substantially as shown and described.

4. A bureau or dressing-case, the same being provided with a frame which extends above the said bureau or dressing-case, said frame being provided at the upper part thereof with a cross-strip having a longitudinal central opening and a slot which communicates therewith, said bureau or dressing-case being provided adjacent to the bottom thereof with a similar cross-piece, which is provided with a similar longitudinal opening and slot; a mirror having a frame which is angular in form, and the upper and lower sides of which are each provided with a longitudinal opening and slot which are similar to the said openings and slots in said cross-pieces; and slides one half of each being adapted to slidably fit in one of the longitudinal openings and slots in said cross-pieces, and the other half in the corresponding opening and slot of said mirror-frame, whereby the said mirror is held on the said bureau or dressing-case and permitted to slide toward either side thereof, and means for preventing said mirror from being detached from the bureau or dressing-case, substantially as shown and described.

5. A bureau or dressing-case, the same being provided with a frame which extends above the said bureau or dressing-case, said frame being provided at the upper part thereof with a cross-strip having a longitudinal central opening and a slot which communicates therewith, said bureau or dressing-case being provided adjacent to the bottom thereof with a similar cross-piece, which is provided with a similar longitudinal opening and slot; a mirror having a frame which is angular in form, and the upper and lower sides of which are each provided with a longitudinal opening and slot which are similar to the said openings and slots in said cross-pieces; and slides one half of each being adapted to slidably fit in one of the longitudinal openings and slots in said cross-pieces, and the other half in the corresponding opening and slot of said mirror-frame, whereby the said mirror is held on the said bureau or dressing-case and permitted to slide toward either side thereof, and means for preventing said mirror from being detached from the bureau or dressing-case, consisting of a pin inserted in one of the cross-pieces, and adapted to engage a slot, which is formed in the corresponding slide, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name, in presence of the subscribing witnesses, this 5th day of February, 1897

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