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Sewing-Machine Covers.

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Fig. 3

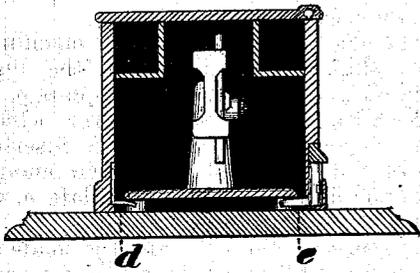


Fig. 2

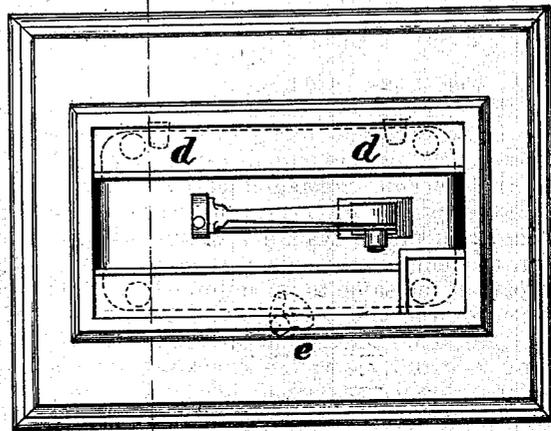


Fig. 6

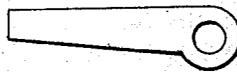


Fig. 4



Fig. 1

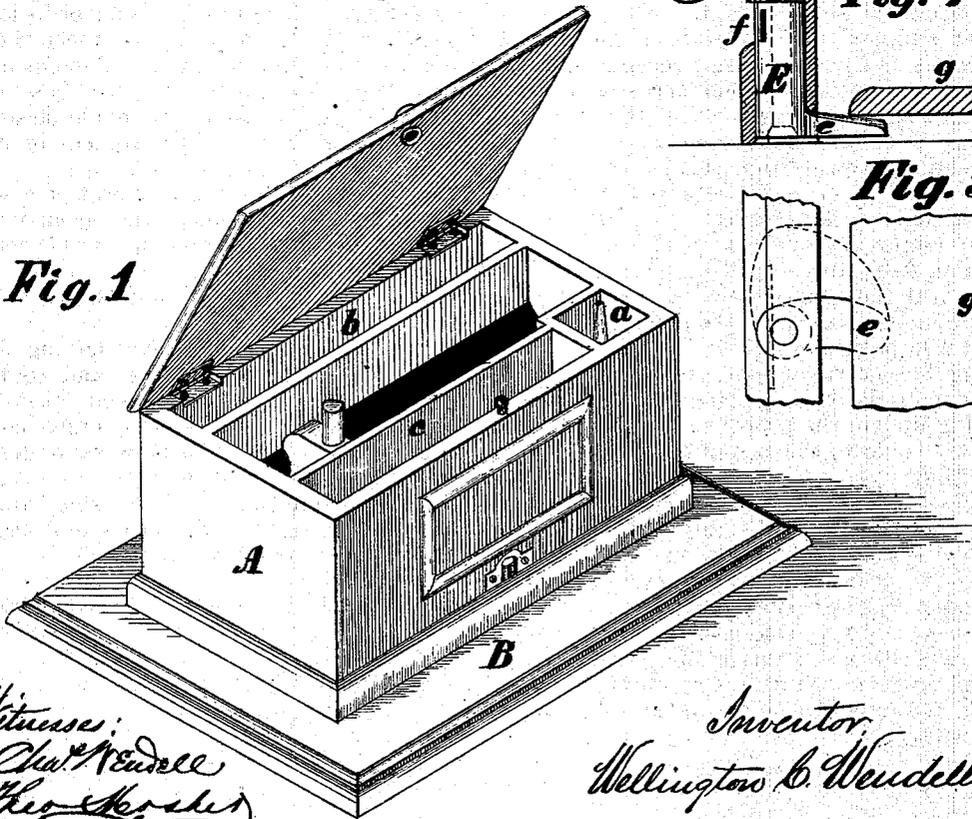
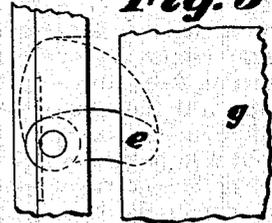


Fig. 5



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IMPROVEMENT IN SEWING-MACHINE COVERS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 146,298, dated January 6, 1874; application filed October 11, 1872.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WELLINGTON C. WENDELL, of the city and county of Albany, State of New York, have invented certain Improvements in Covers for Sewing-Machines.

The first part of my invention relates to the utilization of vacant space in a sewing-machine cover, as generally constructed, and the second part of the same to an improved method of securing the said cover to the machine or table; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings making part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a sewing-machine cover, A, in its place, resting upon and attached to the table B. The top of the cover is hinged to it and raised, showing the divisions or trays, *a* being a receptacle for the oiler, and *b* and *c* for other accessories.

Fig. 2 shows a plan, looking down through the cover. *d* and *d'* are small lugs or flanges projecting inward from the lower and rear edge of the cover A, and nearly flush with its lower edge. *e* is a projecting lip attached at right angles to, or made part of, a cylinder, turning freely in a socket bored into the front edge of the cover from below upward; through said cylinder a screw passes longitudinally to hold it in position.

Fig. 3 is a vertical section of the cover, showing one of the lugs or flanges *d* and the projecting lip *e* in the proper positions for securing the cover to the bed-plate of the sewing-machine.

Fig. 4 is a vertical section cut through the cylinder, with the projecting lip *e*. Through the cylinder is a slot, *f*, for the insertion of a thin strip of metal used as a key, by which the cylinder may be turned, and the lip *e* made to assume the different angles shown by the dotted lines in Figs. 2 and 5. *g* is the bed-plate of the sewing-machine, resting on elastic washers that serve to raise it slightly from the table B.

Fig. 5 is an enlarged view of part of Fig. 2, looking down upon it. *e* is the lip projecting under the bed-plate of the machine *g*.

Fig. 6 is the key.

The cover is set down over the machine and drawn slightly forward, when the lugs or flanges *d d'* catch under the bed-plate *g*, when the key, Fig. 6, or a screw-driver, which always accompanies a machine, is inserted in the slot *f*, and carried around far enough to wedge the lip *e* under the bed-plate *g*, which secures the cover to the table.

The space previously unused is made available, and is sufficient for most of the accessories that accompany a machine, including the oiler, for which no place is generally provided. There is no cutting of the table required, no sockets to be inserted for hooks or lock. The shrinkage of the table cannot affect the locking, as with other methods. There is nothing whatever projecting below the base of the cover to mar the table if it should be set down upon it, and, lastly, the cheapness of it compared with devices now in use.

I disclaim drawers in any part of a sewing-machine cover, also any other compartments not accessible from the top of the cover, as herein set forth.

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

1. A sewing-machine cover having the top leaf independently movable, and containing trays, tills, or pockets, arranged substantially as described, so as to be completely accessible when said top leaf alone is raised or removed, substantially as specified.

2. The cylinder E, with the slot *f* and lip *e*, in combination with the cover and lugs *d d'*, substantially as set forth.

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