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Fig. 1.

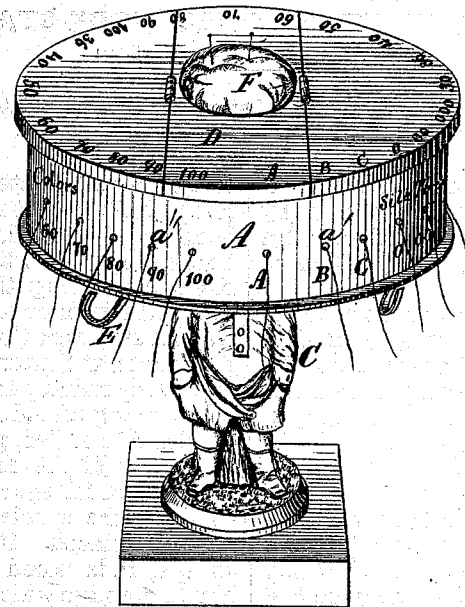


Fig. 2.

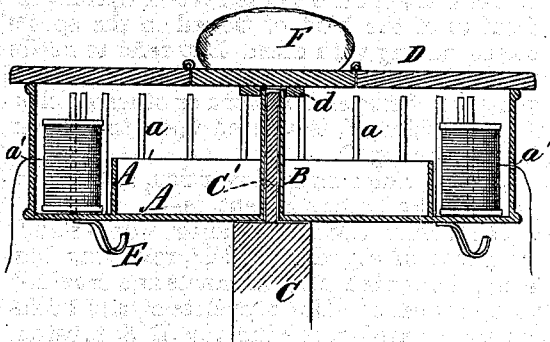
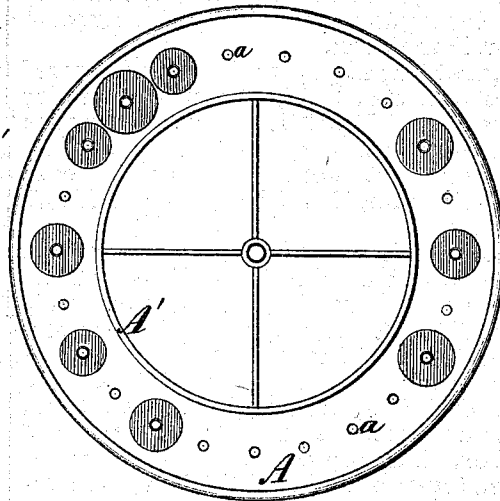


Fig. 3.



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IMPROVEMENT IN LADIES' WORK-STANDS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 129,850, dated July 23, 1872.

Specification describing a certain Improvement in Ladies' Work-Stand, invented by JAMES N. MILLER, residing at Cambridge City, in the county of Wayne and State of Indiana.

This invention relates to that class of work-stands for ladies' use which embody in their construction a circular box mounted upon a suitable pedestal and capable of rotation thereon, the box containing vertical spindles, upon which the spools of cotton, thread, and silk are placed, and also a compartment in the center for the reception of articles used in sewing. My improvement consists in the use of a jointed top for the revolving box, placed upon a central support of the box, upon which it may be rotated, so that ready access may be had to all parts of the box, together with certain devices or attachments for convenience in placing articles, as will be more fully explained in the following description and specifically pointed out in the claim.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved ladies' work-stand. Fig. 2 is an axial section of the same. Fig. 3 is a horizontal section through the box.

The same letters of reference are employed in all the figures in the designation of identical parts.

The box A is a short cylinder of any required diameter, with a tight bottom. It is centrally provided with a tubular post, B, of about the same height as the box, which tubular post serves the twofold purpose of a socket for the reception of the spindle C' of the pedestal C, upon which the box is supported and rotates, and of a post for the support of the top D of the box. This top consists of three leaves, hinged together as shown, the center leaf being provided on its under side with a socket, d, which is entered by the upper end of the tubular post B, as best seen in Fig. 2. The

top, thus constructed and arranged, may be folded back on either side to gain access to the box, and it may also be rotated, so that ready access may be had to any part of the box without necessitating the removal of the entire top. The interior of the box A is divided by the annular partition A' into two main compartments, the interior one being again subdivided by radial partitions, such sub-compartments being intended, respectively, for the reception of needles, pins, scissors, &c. Along the center of the exterior compartment a series of vertical spindles, a a, is arranged, upon which the spools of cotton and silk, &c., are to be placed. Opposite to each spindle a an eye, a', is bored through the wall of the box A, through which the end of the thread is drawn for exposure. Numbers and other denomination-marks are painted on the outside of the box opposite to the several eyelets, indicative of the kind of thread on the spools corresponding with them. E E refer to hooks fastened at various points on the box for convenience of suspending work or other articles. A pin-cushion, F, is secured upon the center leaf of the top D.

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

The herein-described ladies' work-stand, composed of a pedestal, C C', revolving box A B, (divided into compartments and provided with vertical spindles a, eyelets a', and hooks E,) and jointed revolving top D d, substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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