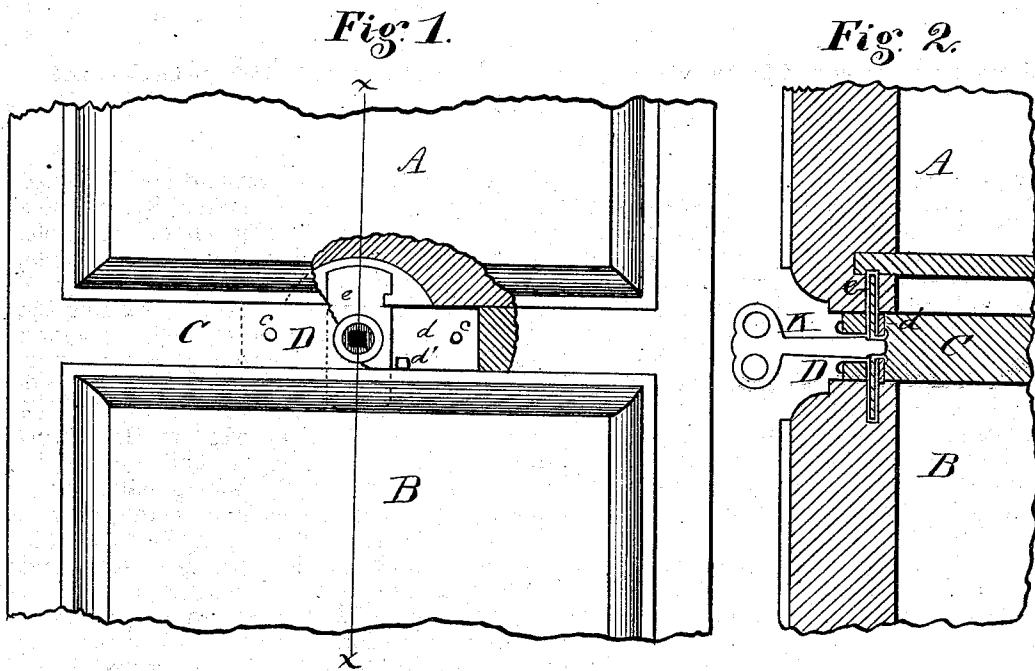


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IMPROVEMENT IN LOCKS FOR DRAWERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, RUEL W. WHITNEY, of Cleveland, in the county of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, have invented an Improved Sewing-Machine-Cabinet Drawer-Lock, of which the following is a specification:

This invention relates to a lock for cabinet-drawers for sewing-machine tables; and consists of a flat bolt pivoted at its center to a plate, both of which are fixed in a slot cut in the cross-bar of the cabinet between two drawers, the key for turning the bolt entering a hole in the center of the bolt, within the pivot; and the bolt is intended to lock two drawers, one above the other.

To enable others to fully understand my invention, I will proceed to describe the same in detail by the aid of the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a front view of a portion of a cabinet of drawers, having a part broken out to show the lock. Fig. 2 is a vertical section in line *xx* of Fig. 1.

A and B represent two drawers of a cabinet, and C is the cross-bar between them. D is the lock, which consists of a plate, *d*, having a flat bolt, *e*, pivoted to it at the middle,

the pivot consisting of a round hole punched in the plate *d* and a smaller square hole punched in the bolt *e*. The burrs of this hole, being turned over the edge of the round hole, form the pivot on which the bolt turns. A square-pointed key, K, is used for turning the bolt, which, being turned up in the position seen in the drawing, locks both drawers at the same time, a slot being cut in the lower edge of the upper-drawer front, and a slot also being cut in the upper edge of the lower-drawer front, to receive the bolt. A lug, *d'*, on the plate *d* allows the bolt to make only a quarter turn in either locking or unlocking.

The lock is set in a slot cut near the edge and in the central part of the cross-bar C, and is secured in place by two nails or screws, *c c*.

Having described my invention, I claim—

The hereinbefore-described lock, consisting of the plate *d*, having the bolt *e* pivoted thereto, as shown, and placed in the cross-bar C, to be turned by a key, K, for locking the drawers A and B, as specified.

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