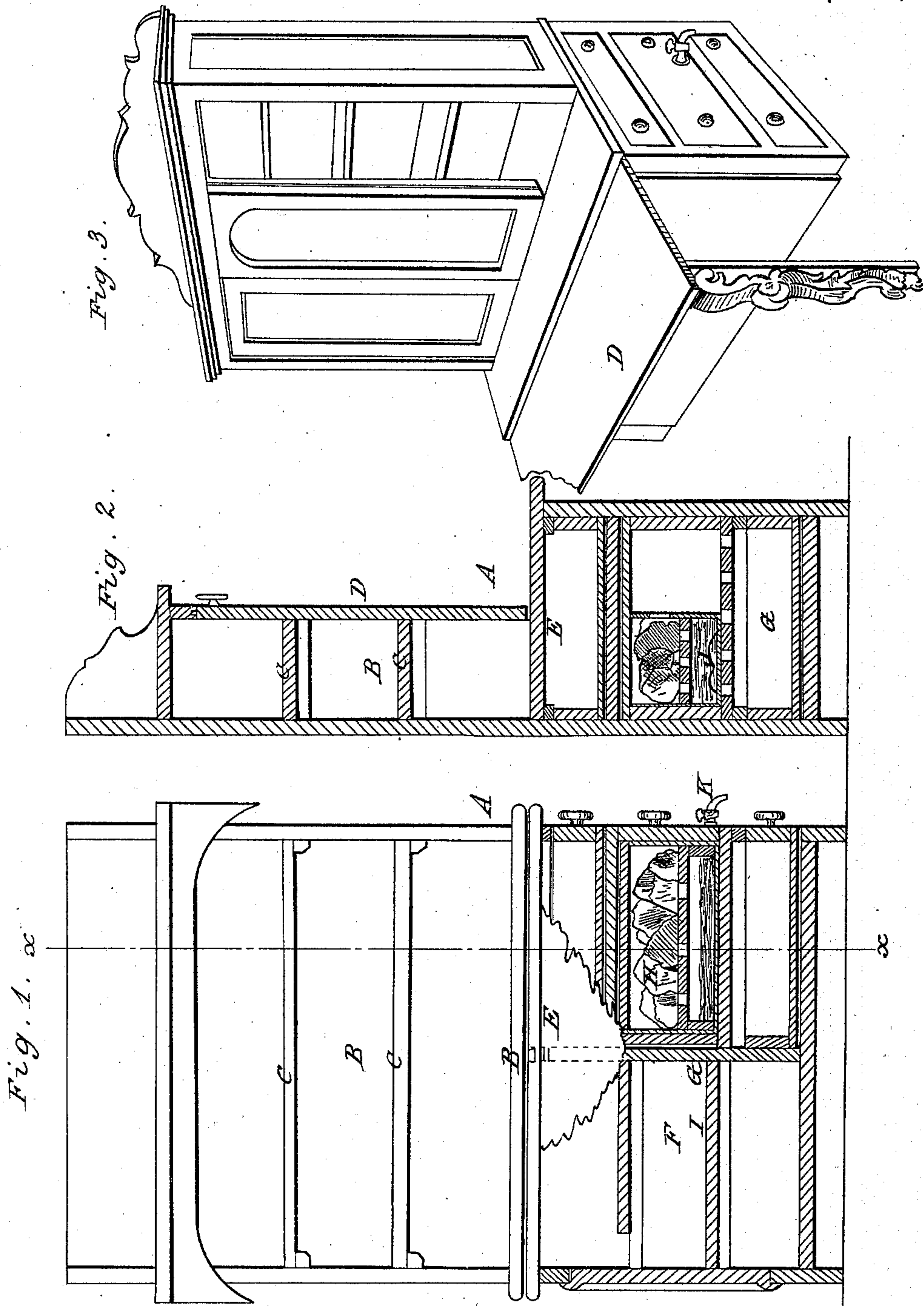


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IMPROVED SIDEBOARD AND REFRIGERATOR.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, J. B. M. FIFIELD, of Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia, and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and improved Sideboard or Closet; and that the following description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, hereinafter referred to, forms a full and exact specification of the same, wherein I have set forth the nature and principles of my said improvements, by which my invention may be distinguished from all others of a similar class, together with such parts as I claim and desire to have secured to me by Letters Patent.

The present invention consists, first, in combining with a sideboard or closet, a table-board, in such manner that the said table, when to be used, can be brought into the proper position therefor, but when not in use, or so desired for compactness or other reason, can be made to become as it were to all external appearances a part of the sideboard or closet itself; second, in so constructing a suitable portion of the sideboard or closet as to be adapted for use as a refrigerator or a water-cooler, or both, whether a table, as above stated, be combined with the sideboard or not. In the accompanying plate of drawings my improved sideboard is illustrated—

Figure 1 being a front elevation of the same, with the lower portion in vertical section.

Figure 2 a transverse vertical section, taken in the plane of the line *x x*, fig. 1.

Figure 3 a perspective view of a sideboard constructed in accordance with the present invention, but showing a modification thereof.

A, in the drawings, represents a sideboard or closet, which, except so far as the present invention, may be made of any of the usual forms of construction, etc. B, the upper portion to sideboard, in which is a series of shelves C, one above another. These shelves C are for the reception of dishes, glasses, etc., more particularly, and for there enclosing them from dirt. Sliding doors may be provided, as shown in fig. 3, or one door D, that at its lower end is hinged to the top board E of the lower portion F to the sideboard, so that it can be swung down into a horizontal position for use as a table, it being supported upon the top board E. This table-door D, in lieu of being hinged to the sideboard, as above described, may be arranged to slide in and out of the lower portion F, as shown in fig. 3. The lower portion F of the sideboard is constructed as a refrigerator, G, that is, with an ice-box, H, and suitable shelves I, for the reception of articles. And in connection with the refrigerator is a water-cooler, J, having faucet K for drawing the water contained in it. For convenience in using the refrigerator, water-cooler, etc., doors or drawers are to be provided at any suitable points.

The many advantages secured by an improved sideboard are so plainly apparent to all as to need no particular mention herein, and for convenience in use in many localities, houses, offices, etc., there is nothing superior or more desirable, practicable, and efficient, as well as serviceable.

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

A sideboard, having a refrigerator or water-cooler, or both, combined with it, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

I also claim the combination of a sideboard, refrigerator, and table, as herein shown and described.

The above specification of my invention signed by me this 16th day of June, 1866.

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