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Bureau Mirror.

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Fig. 3.

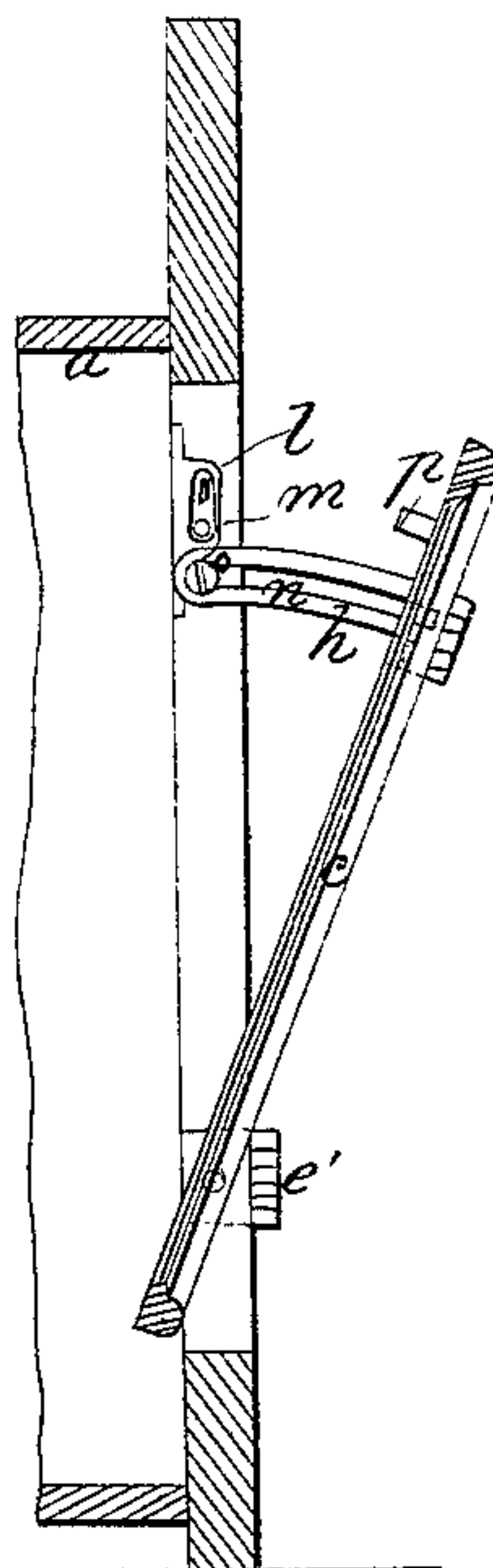


Fig. 1.

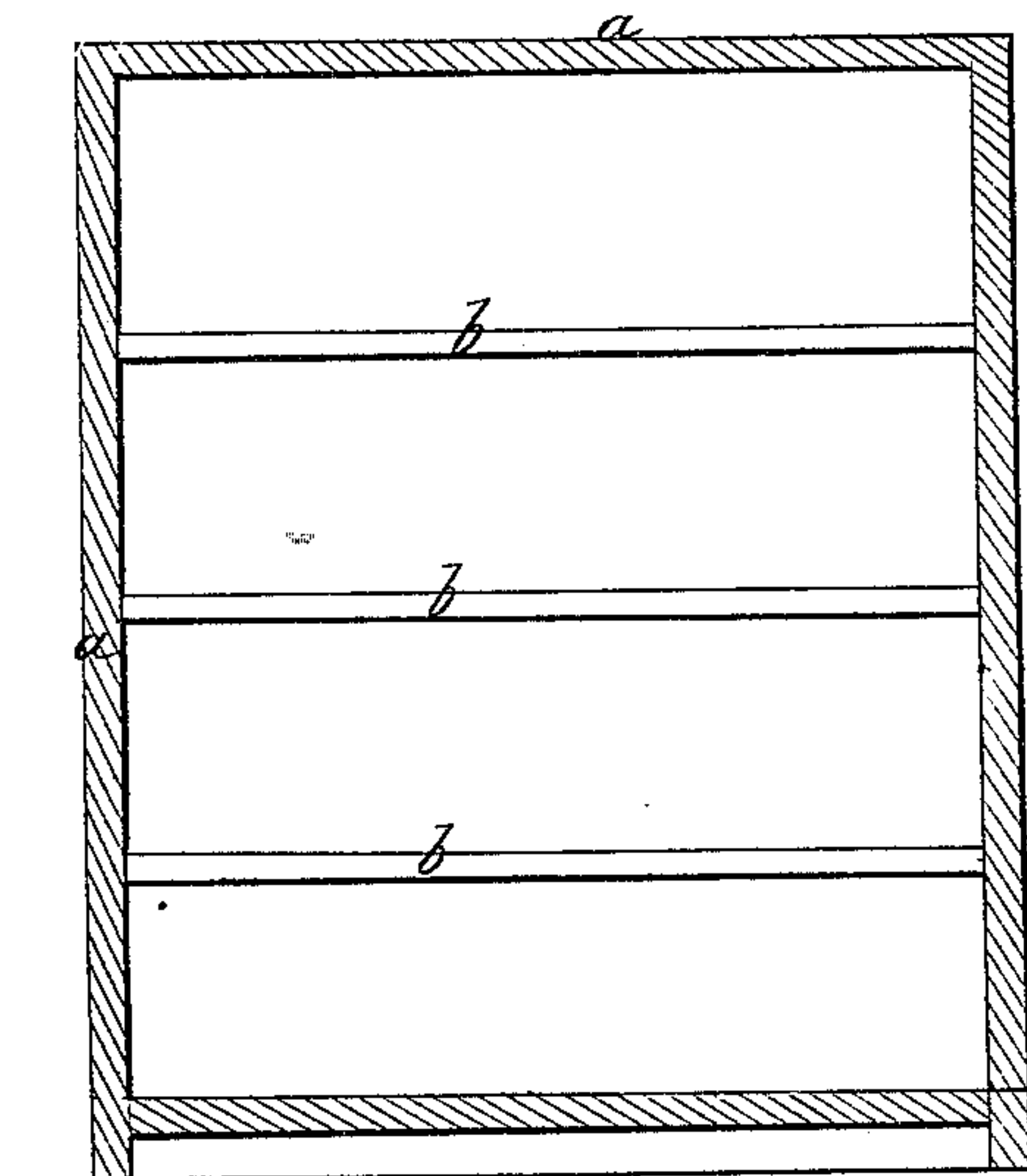
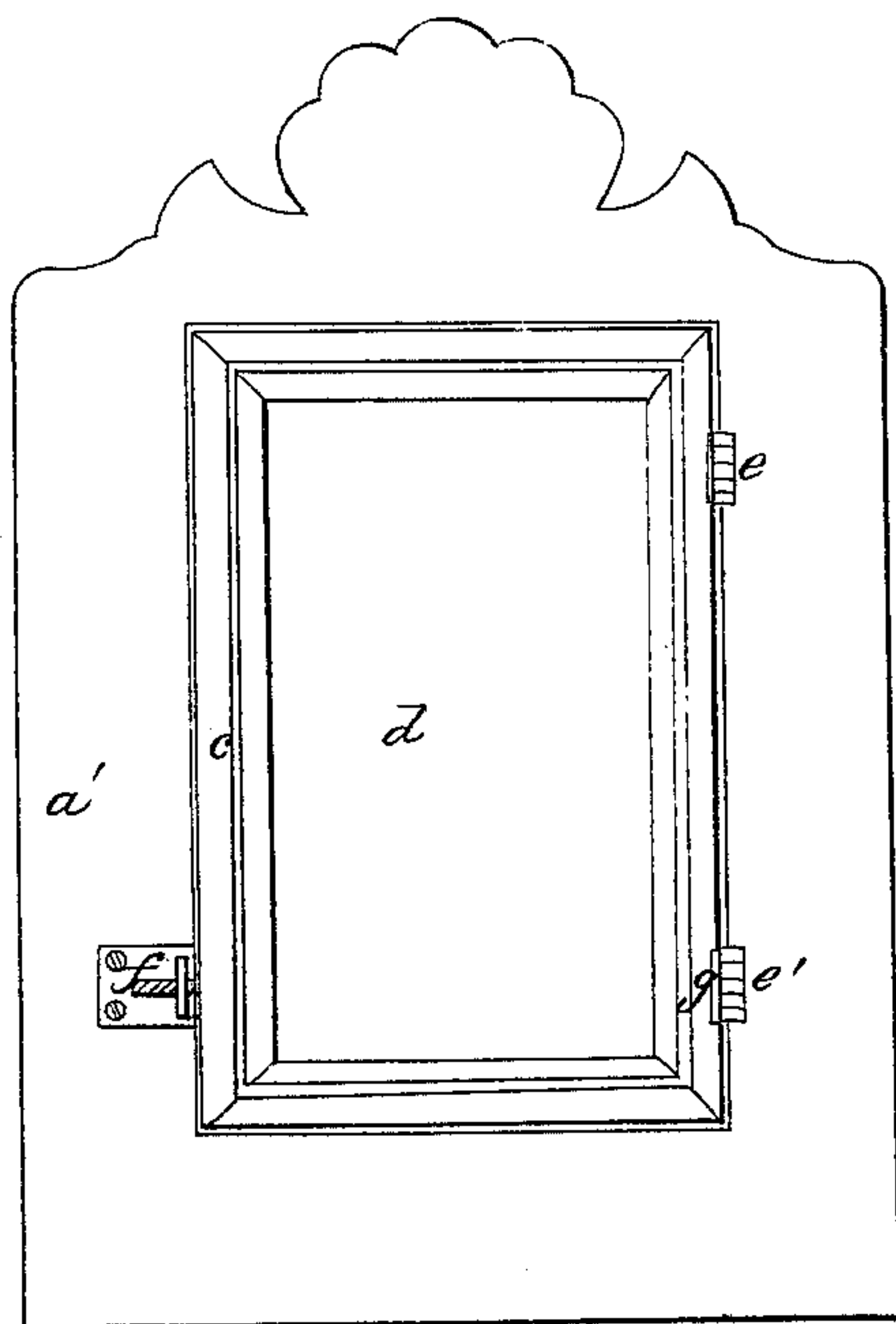


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVED CABINET FOR DRESSING-BUREAUS.

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, WILLIAM E. BEAMES, of the city of New York, in the county and State of New York, have invented, or contrived a new and useful article of manufacture, which I call an "Improved Cabinet for Dressing-Bureaus;" and I do hereby declare the following to be a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 is a longitudinal elevation of the cabinet, or wardrobe, showing that shelves may be, closet-like, placed therein.

Figure 2 is a front view in flank, showing the looking-glass, with its frame, and its necessary attachments.

Figure 3 is an elevated section, taken above the hinges, as shown, for operation.

This device is so contrived that I provide a cabinet, to form an attachment to be placed upon the top of an ordinary bureau, with a surrounding frame as a fixed part thereof, shelves being placed therein; the frame *a*, the shelves *b*, as seen in fig. 1, while a front view shows the inside frame *c* for the looking-glass *d*.

The surroundings are double-acting, in contrary directions, the hinges *e e'* serving to open or close the door *c*, while the bolt *f*, on one side, and the independent plate *g*, on the opposite side of the frame *c*, these being located opposite each other, serve as transverse pitmen, or hinges, upon which the frame *c*, with its contained looking-glass, may perform a part of a revolution, so that the glass may be tilted in front from its perpendicular position, in order that a person may view himself from head to foot, as may be desired.

The frames cover the interior of the wardrobe, the latter being for the purpose of receiving bottles of cosmetics, brushes, and the other paraphernalia of a toilet which may be found useful to place there.

Fig. 3 shows the frame *c* tilted forward, and in this section is visible the curved brace *h*, which guides and controls the frame *c* in any desired position of tilt that may be required.

The tilted position is assumed, by rocking upon the bolt *f*, which is put in for that purpose, but when the frame, or door *c* is to be opened, this bolt *f* must be

withdrawn, to allow the front side of the frame to pass, and, in this case, the plate *g*, upon the side of the lower hinge, acts as a pivot on the opposite side to the bolt *f*.

Two bolts, one near, and above the other, *l* and *m*, hold closed, or to relieve, to open, the frame *c*.

Toward the top, nearly opposite the curved bracket, or brace *h*, this has in it a slot, *n*, which is held firm in its place by the screw *o*.

A guide-guard, as *p*, is also applied to aid the door *c* in shutting into its closed position.

These bolts, hinges, and bracket are each of common construction.

The bolt *f* is of peculiar construction, and has to perform the joint actions of being a bolt to hold the door-frame *c* in its fixed closed position, and also to act as a pivot or pitman for the front, or opening side of the frame *c* to rock, or partially revolve upon when it is to be tilted back or forward, a pin upon the inside of plate *g* performing the like duty at the opposite side of the frame *c*. The bolt *f* may be concealed in a mortise in the frame *a'*, and has a spring to keep it always open, except when it is drawn back to open the frame *c*, or is thrown back by closing the door-frame *c*, this pressing against its front bevelled point in the common way of a bolt to a catch-lock.

I place the cabinet, or fix it upon the top of a bureau in like manner as a tilted, or tilting looking-glass, and, when it is desired to open the cabinet, withdraw the bolt *f*, when it will open upon its hinges, *e* and *e'*, and, if I wish to tilt it, I close the bolt *f*, and draw the top forward any desired distance.

I claim—

1. The combination of the side acting hinges *e* and *e'* with the tilting-arrangement, in connection with the cabinet-case, when constructed substantially as described.

2. The bolt *f*, having the combined action of a bolt, when the front is closed, and pivot, on which it may be tilted when used for that purpose, the same being described and set forth.

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