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Combined Cabinet and Show-Case for Gloves.

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Fig. I.

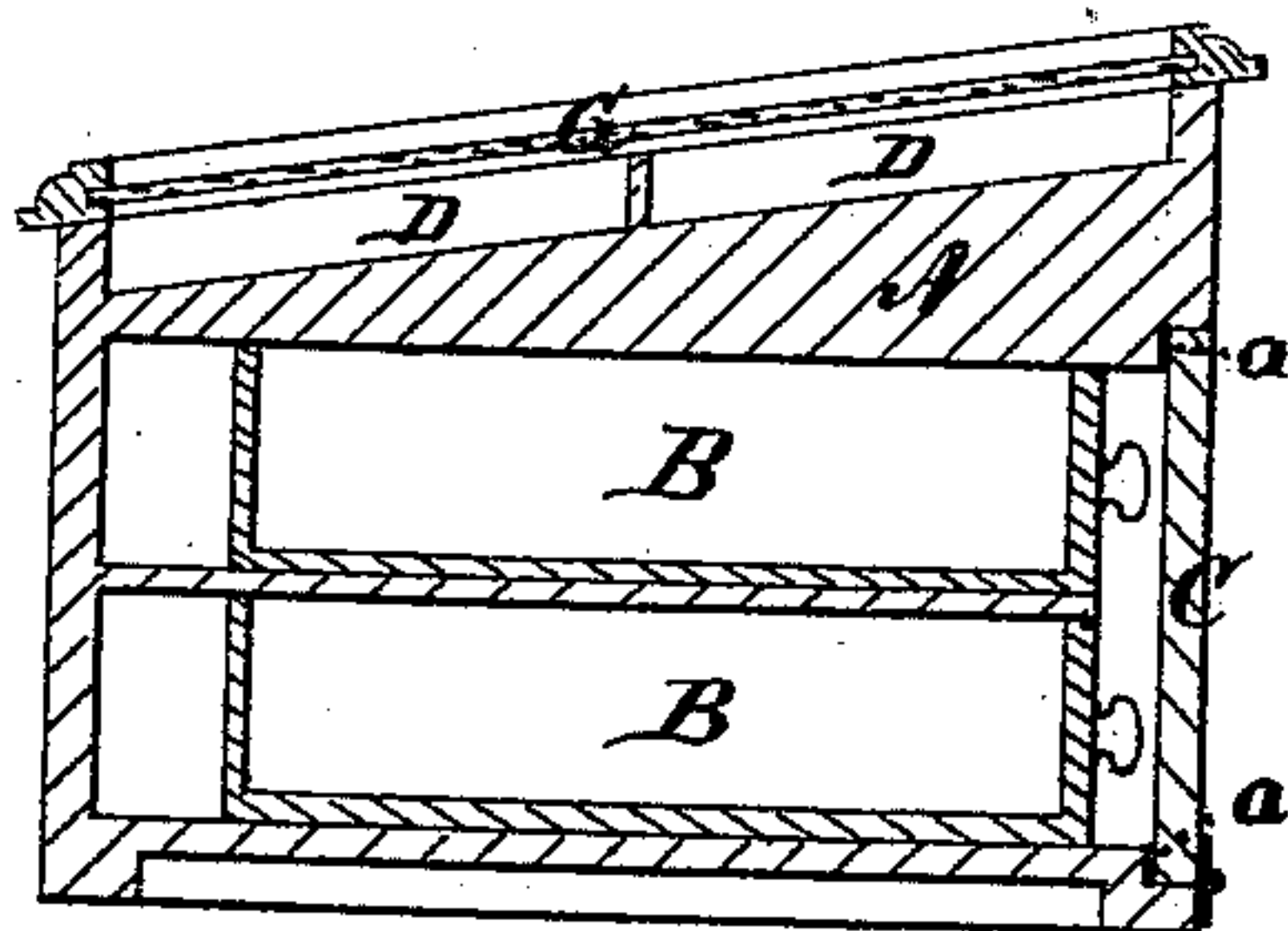


Fig. II.

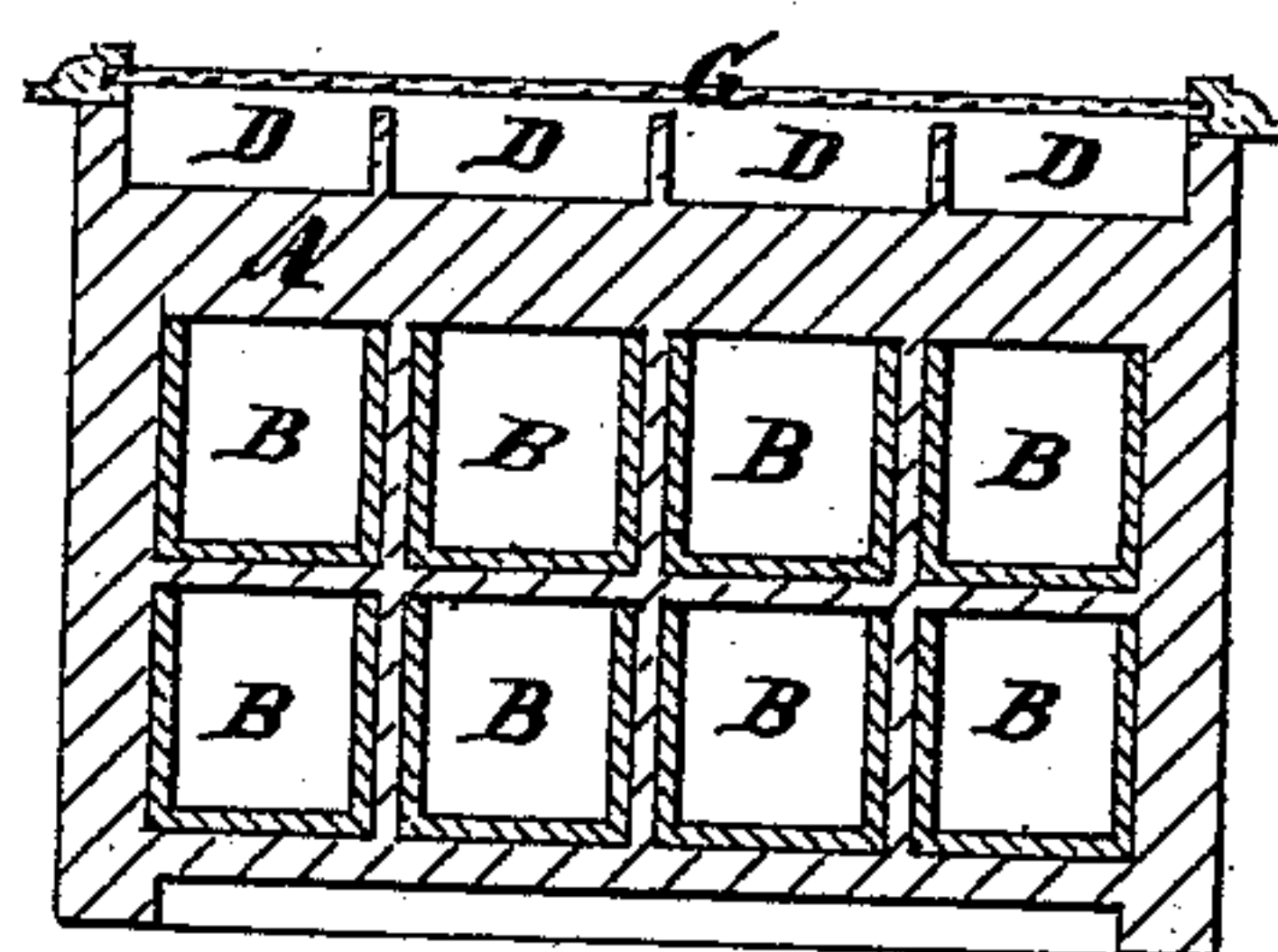
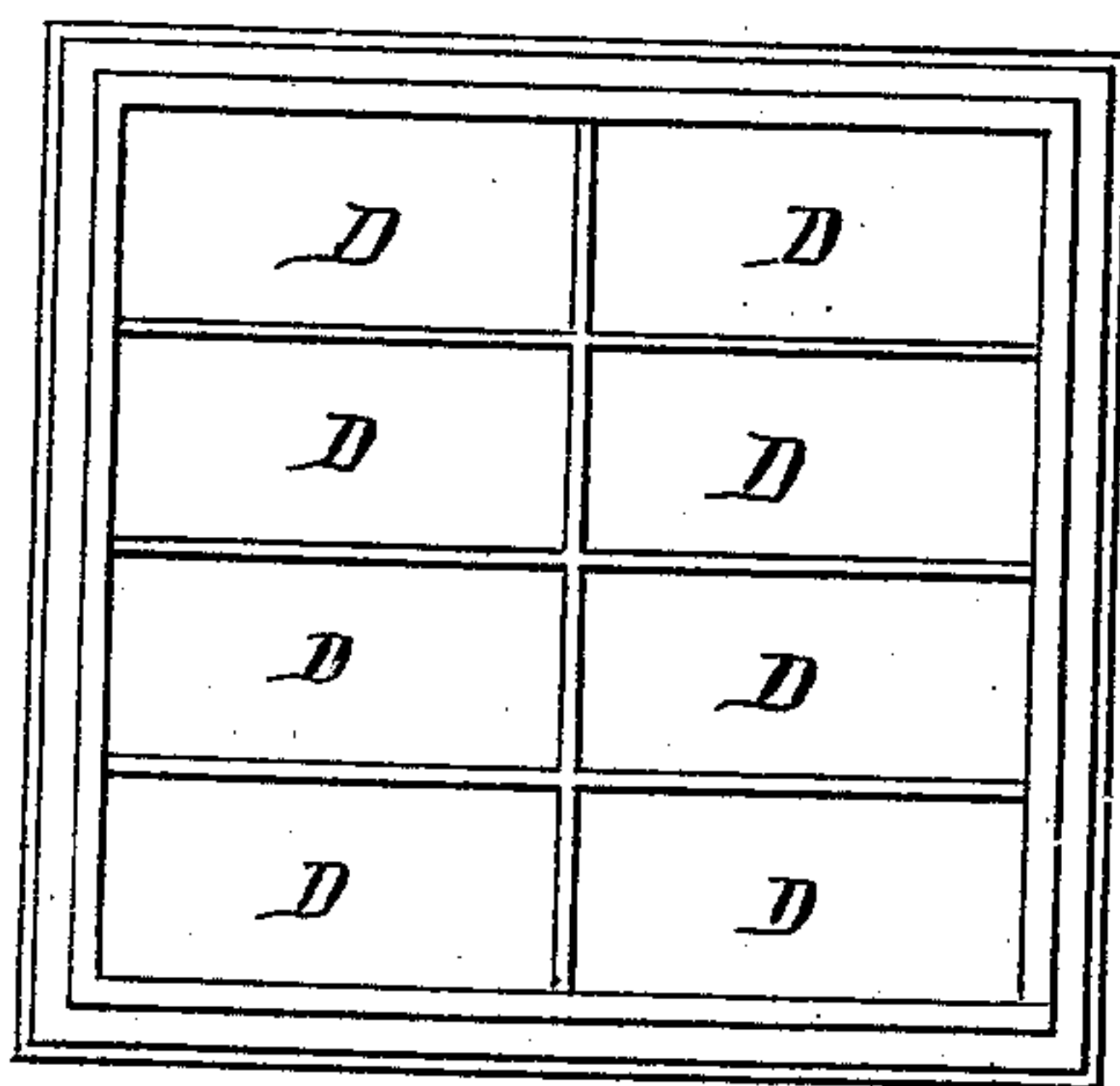


Fig. III.



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IMPROVEMENT IN COMBINED CABINET AND SHOW-CASE FOR GLOVES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, J. HENRY SMITH, of Brooklyn, in the State of New York, and AUGUSTUS TRAVER, of Orange, in the State of New Jersey, have invented an Improved Combined Show-Case and Cabinet for Containing and Exhibiting Gloves, of which the following is a specification:

The nature of our invention consists in a combined show-case and cabinet, designed especially for containing and exhibiting kid gloves, being constructed with two separate close compartments, one of which is immediately under the glass top of the case, for arranging samples of gloves to be seen, and completely covered, to prevent handling and the admission of dust and moisture; and the other compartment is provided with a set or sets of drawers for containing the stock of goods from which the sales are made, and is inclosed by a door, which is preferably made dust and moisture tight by a suitable packing, substantially as and for the purpose herein specified.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure I represents a longitudinal section of our improved casing. Fig. II is a cross-section of the same. Fig. III is a top view.

A represents the body of the case, made of any desired dimensions, and the outside of which may be ornamented in any desired manner.

The case here represented is particularly intended for exhibiting and containing a stock of gloves; but it will readily be understood that the same arrangement is applicable for any other kind of merchandise requiring like treatment.

The upper part of this case is divided into several compartments, D, corresponding in size and shape to the articles to be exhibited, and is made very shallow, as it is only intended generally to contain one pair of gloves in each compartment or division, to show the style and color of the same. These compartments are covered by a frame containing a

plate of glass, G, which may be hinged to the case or otherwise secured to protect the articles exhibited.

The lower part of the case is arranged with a number of drawers, B, closed by a suitable door, C, hinged to the case A.

The door C is preferably arranged with a suitable soft lining around the edges on the inside, as shown at *a*, Fig. 1, to prevent the admission of dust or moisture to the articles contained in the drawers B.

The advantages of this show-case over any ordinary show-case, as at present constructed, are as follows: It will enable the merchant to keep his stock together in one place instead of in several boxes, as at present usually done. It will keep the gloves or other merchandise clean and free from dust, and prevent the same becoming spotted or soiled. Different sizes and styles of gloves can be kept separated, and any desired size can be selected at a moment's notice, and an inventory of his stock can be taken in one-half the time it would take if they were in separate boxes.

If a lock is applied to the door it will make a complete safe for the articles contained in the drawers, which, in the case they are gloves, are generally of considerable value.

We claim—

As an improved article of manufacture, a cabinet for the exhibition and preservation of kid gloves, comprising the following elements in combination, namely: a show-case with compartments for containing undisturbed assorted samples of the gloves, and a dust and moisture excluding sale-compartment, within which are separate drawers for containing the gloves in assorted stock corresponding to the compartments of the sample show-case, all substantially as set forth.

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