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Combination Writing-Desk and Sewing-Machine
Cabinet.

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IMPROVEMENT IN COMBINATION WRITING-DESK AND SEWING-MACHINE CABINET.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAY W. HOSFORD, of Brattleborough, in the county of Windham, and in the State of Vermont, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combined Writing-Desk and Sewing-Machine Cabinet; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification.

My invention relates to sewing-machine cabinets; and it consists in combining therewith a hinged drop, on which the machine is secured, and a removable frame with sliding desk, substantially as hereinafter more fully set forth, and pointed out in the claim.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my invention. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal vertical section of the same.

A represents a sewing-machine cabinet provided with doors B B and a series of drawers, C C, as shown. In the top of the cabinet is a hinged part or drop, F, which is fastened by a latch, h, to hold the same in place in the top. In this drop F is an opening, a, over which the machine is to be placed and fastened in the usual manner.

It is, of course, understood that the usual treadles, balance-wheel, &c., are to be used.

When the machine is not to be used the drop F is let down, so that the machine itself will be entirely out of sight and below the top of the cabinet.

D represents the writing-desk, consisting of a suitable box-frame with hinged top. In the lower edges of the sides of the desk are made longitudinal grooves x, which fit over tongues b, made on the side pieces of a frame, G, placed on the cabinet-top and fastened by means of pins e and a hook, d, as shown in Fig. 2. The desk D can be drawn forward a certain distance for use to accommodate the writer.

When the desk is in place the remainder of the top of the cabinet forms a convenient work-table.

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

The combination, with a sewing-machine cabinet, of the hinged drop F, supporting the machine, the tongued frame detachably connected to the cabinet over the drop, and the sliding desk D, all constructed substantially as and for the purposes herein set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 25th day of March, 1879.

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Witnesses:

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