

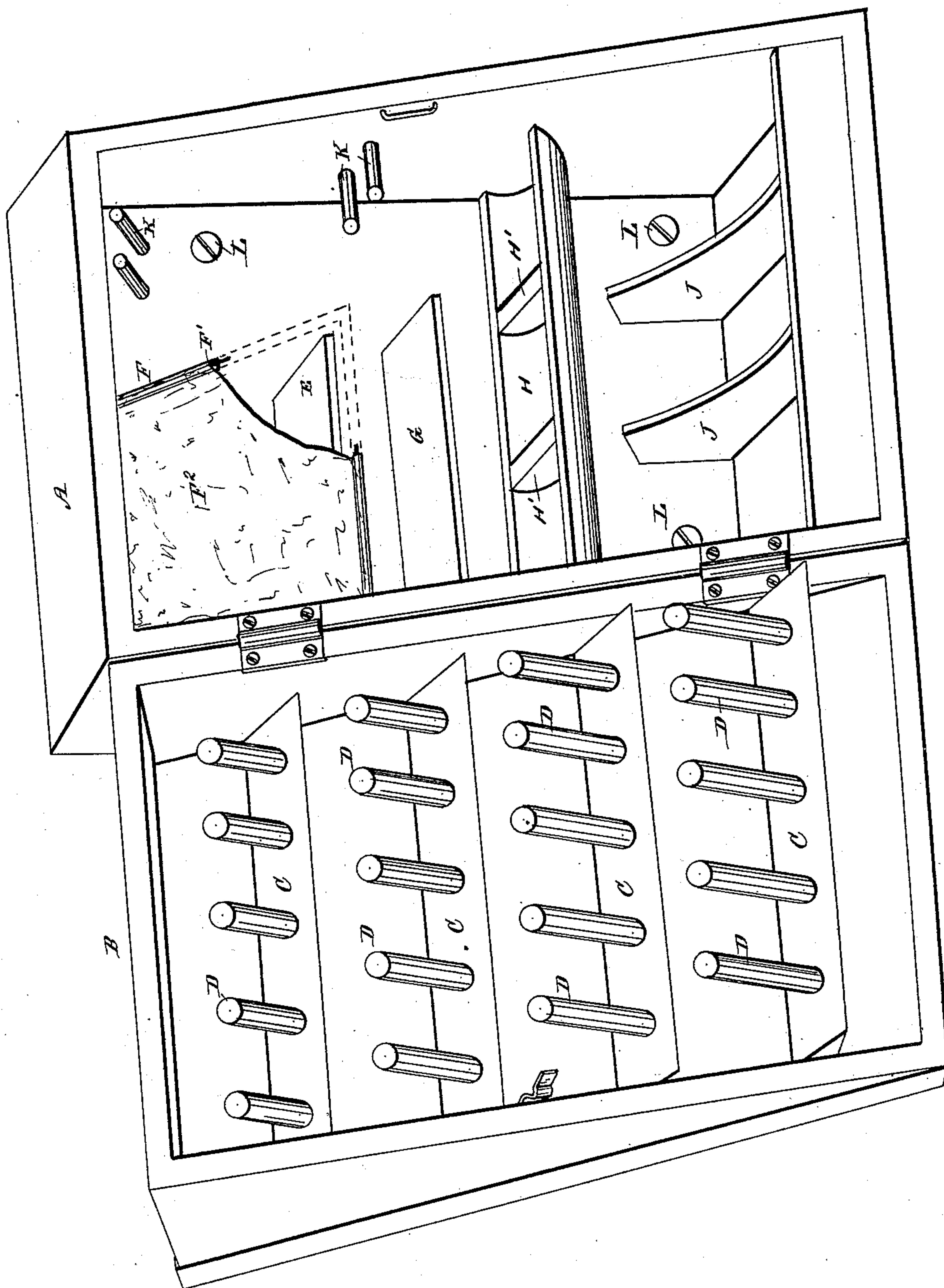
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## WORK-BOX.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HUGH S. DICKSON, of La Harpe, in the county of Hancock and State of Illinois, have invented a new and Improved Work-Box, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of my invention is to provide a new and improved box or cabinet for holding spools of cotton, needles, pins, scissors, &c., said box having shelves provided with upwardly-inclined pins.

This invention, which is an improvement on the work-box for which Letters Patent No. 258,720 were issued to me on the 30th day of May, 1882, consists in a work-box decreasing in depth from the bottom to the top, and having a cover increasing in depth from the bottom to the top.

The invention further consists in shelves held in the cover, from which shelves inclined pins for holding spools project.

The invention also consists in numerous parts and details and combinations of the same, as will be fully set forth and described hereinafter.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawing, forming part of this specification, in which a perspective view of my improved work-box is shown, the box being opened.

The work-box A is provided with a hinged laterally-swinging front or cover, B. The depth of the box A decreases from the bottom to the top, and the depth of the cover B increases from the bottom to the top, so that when the cover is swung over the box the sides of the box and cover will be in the same plane, and the edges of the sides of box and cover will fit against each other. In the cover B a series of shelves, C, are arranged, which have a wedge-shaped cross-section, so that the upper surfaces of the said shelves will be inclined downward and outward from the inner surface of the said cover. The shelves C can be constructed in any other manner, so that their upper surfaces will be inclined downward and outward from the inner surface of the front of the box. Pins D project upward from the shelves C, which

pins are inclined outward from the inner surface of the cover B. Spools of silk, cotton, &c., are placed on the pins, and will be held at an inclination to the inner surface of the cover B. The lower shelves C project a greater distance than the upper shelves. Any spool can be removed from any pin D without disturbing the rest. A shelf, E, projects from the inner surface of the back of the box A at the upper left-hand corner. A pin-cushion, F, hung to the under surface of the top of the box, has its lower part resting on the front edge of the shelf E. The pin-cushion is constructed of a wire, F', to which a piece of fabric, F<sup>2</sup>, is fastened; or the pin-cushion can be made in any other suitable manner. A shelf, G, is arranged below the shelf E, and below the shelf G a trough-shaped shelf, H, is arranged, which is divided into compartments by transverse partitions H'. On the bottom of the box A, a series of transverse partitions, J, are arranged, which have their front edges curved upward. At the upper end of the curved edges the tops of the partitions are inclined downward and toward the back of the box, to form a rack for holding pencils, knitting-needles, crotchets-needles, &c. Pins K project from the inner surface of the back and sides of the box A, on which pins scissors can be hung. The box is secured by means of screws L to the wall or to the side of a closet, frame, &c.

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

1. A work-box decreasing in depth from the bottom to the top, and provided with a hinged cover increasing in depth from the bottom to the top, said box having shelves provided with upwardly-inclined pins, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. A work-box having shelves in its cover, which shelves are inclined downward from the inner surface of the cover, and which shelves are provided with upwardly-inclined pins, substantially as herein shown and described.

3. A work-box having a cover provided



with shelves on which inclined pins are held, substantially as herein shown and described.

4. A work-box provided with partitions  
5 J, having their upper ends inclined inwardly to form a rack for knitting-needles, pencils, &c., substantially as herein shown and described.

5. The combination, with a work-box, of a

shelf, E, and a pin-cushion, F, hinged above to the shelf, the lower part of the pin-cushion resting on the edge of the shelf, substantially as herein shown and described.

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