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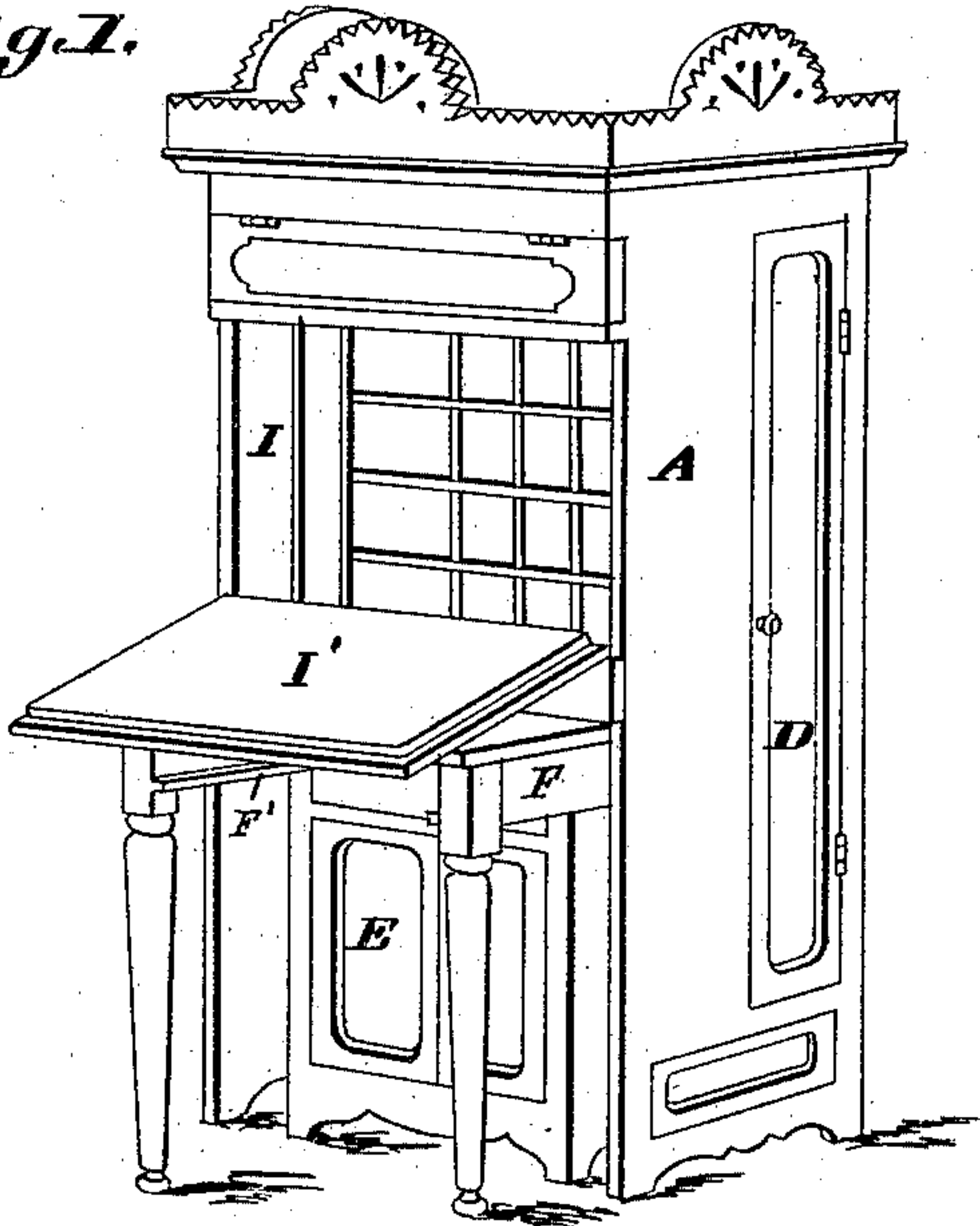
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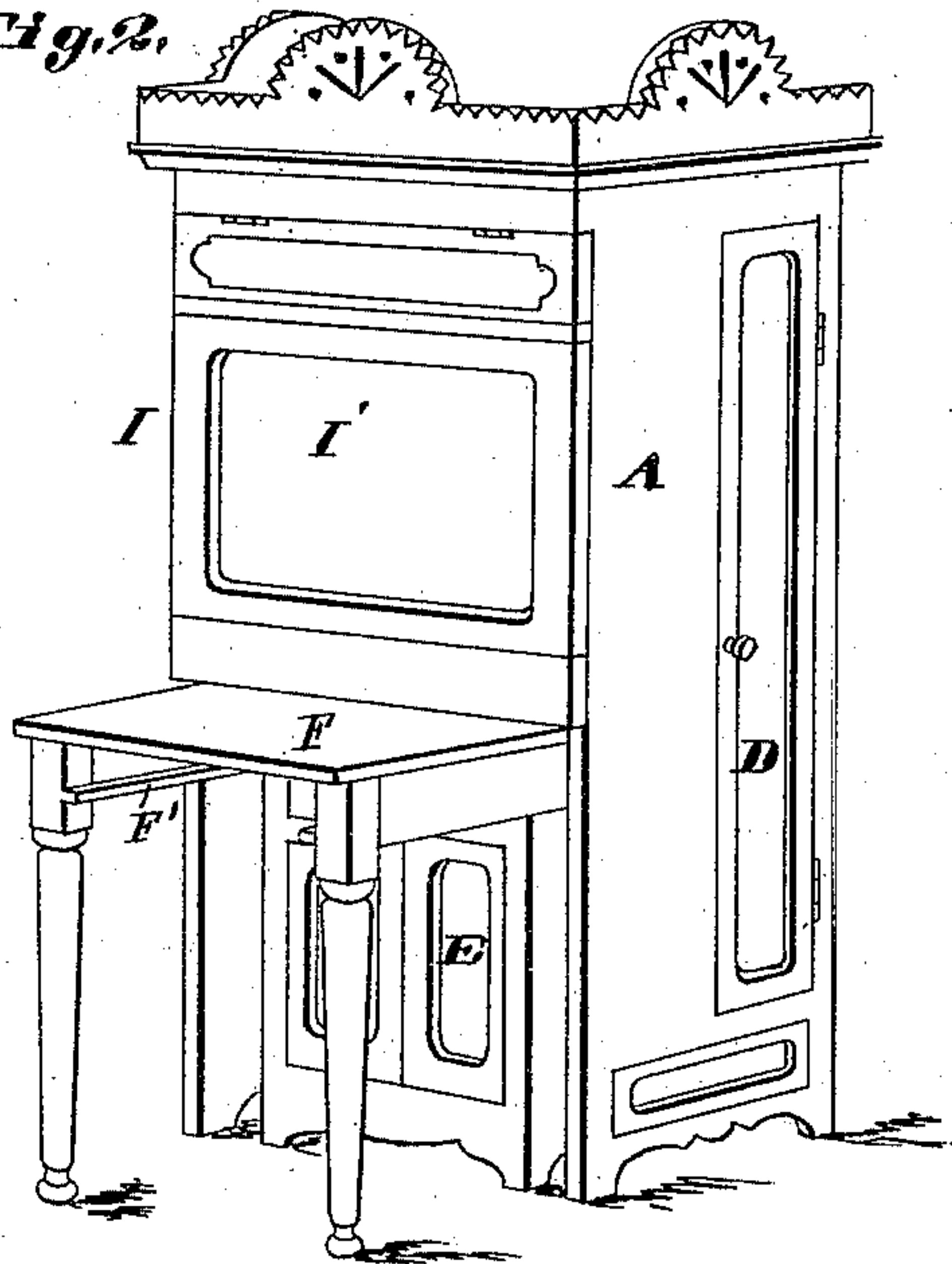
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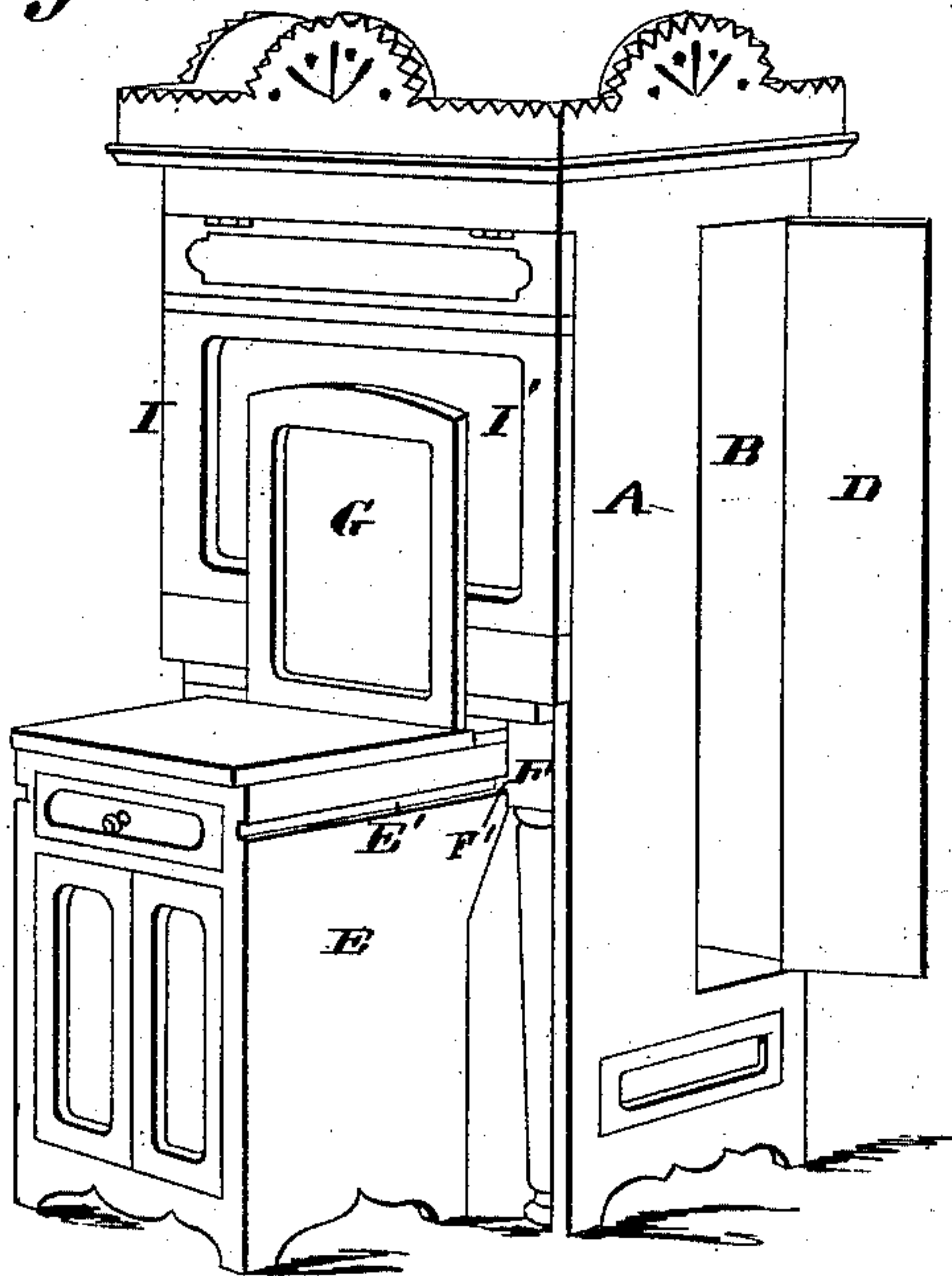
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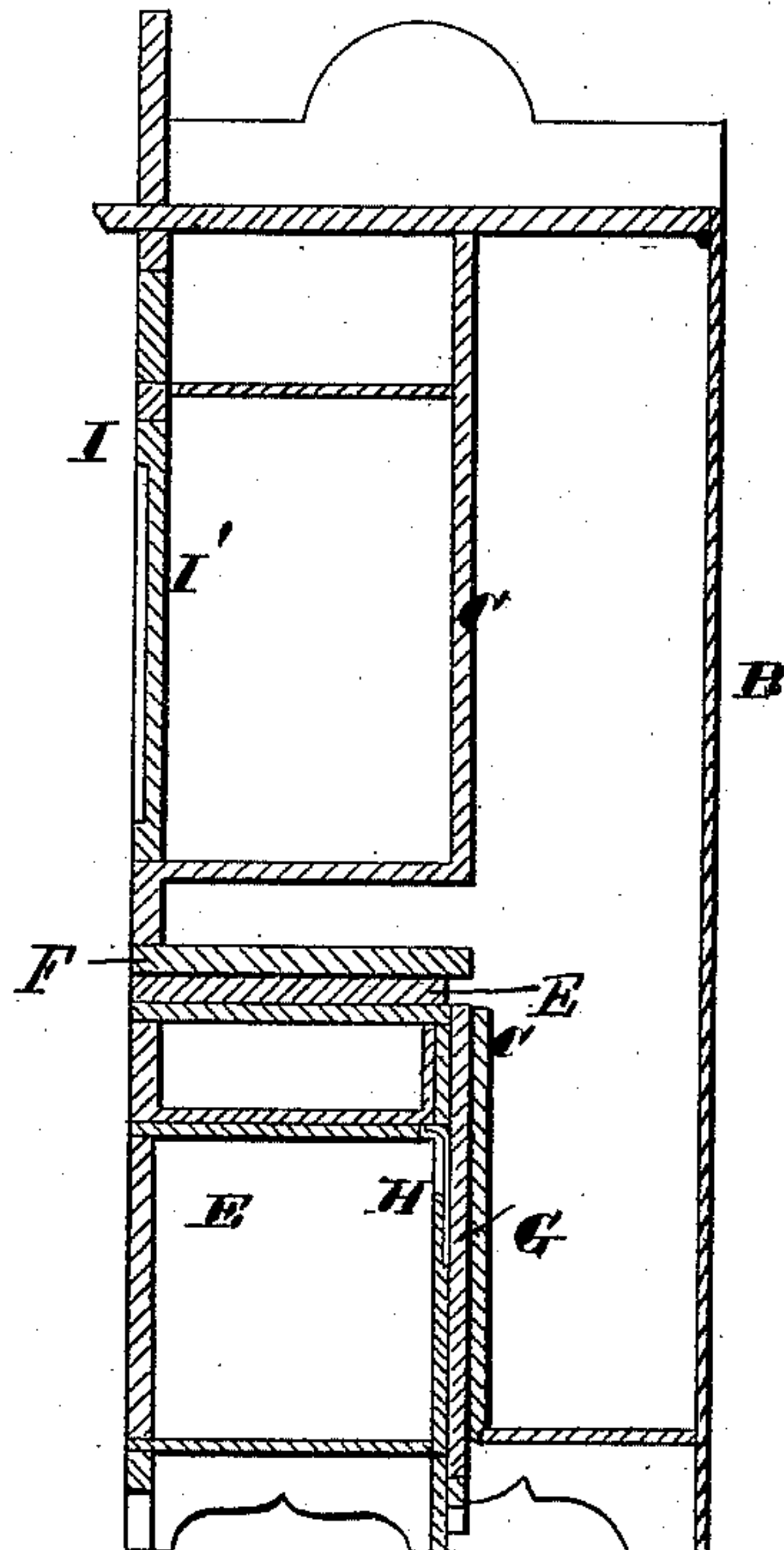
*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



*Fig. 4.*



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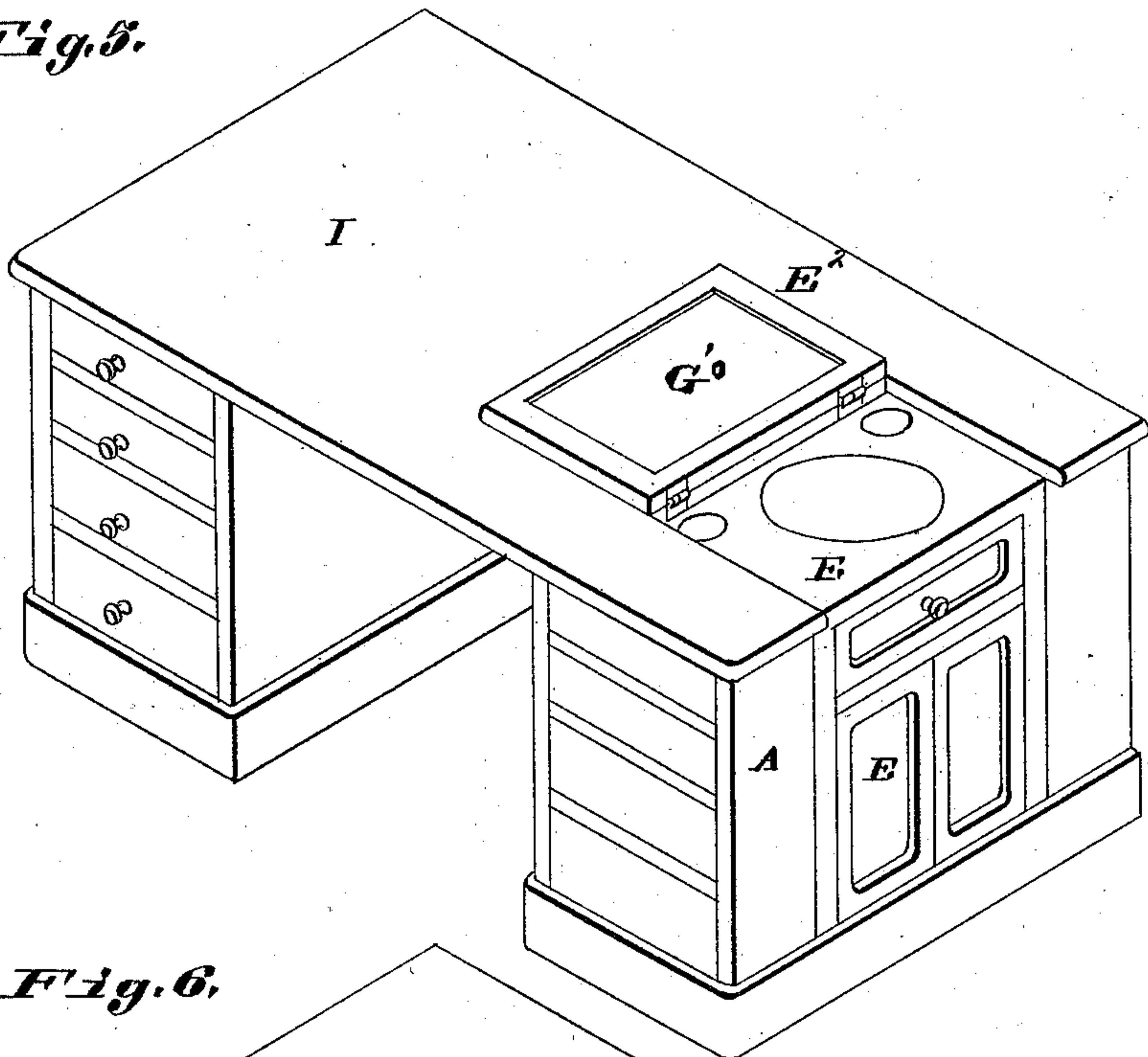
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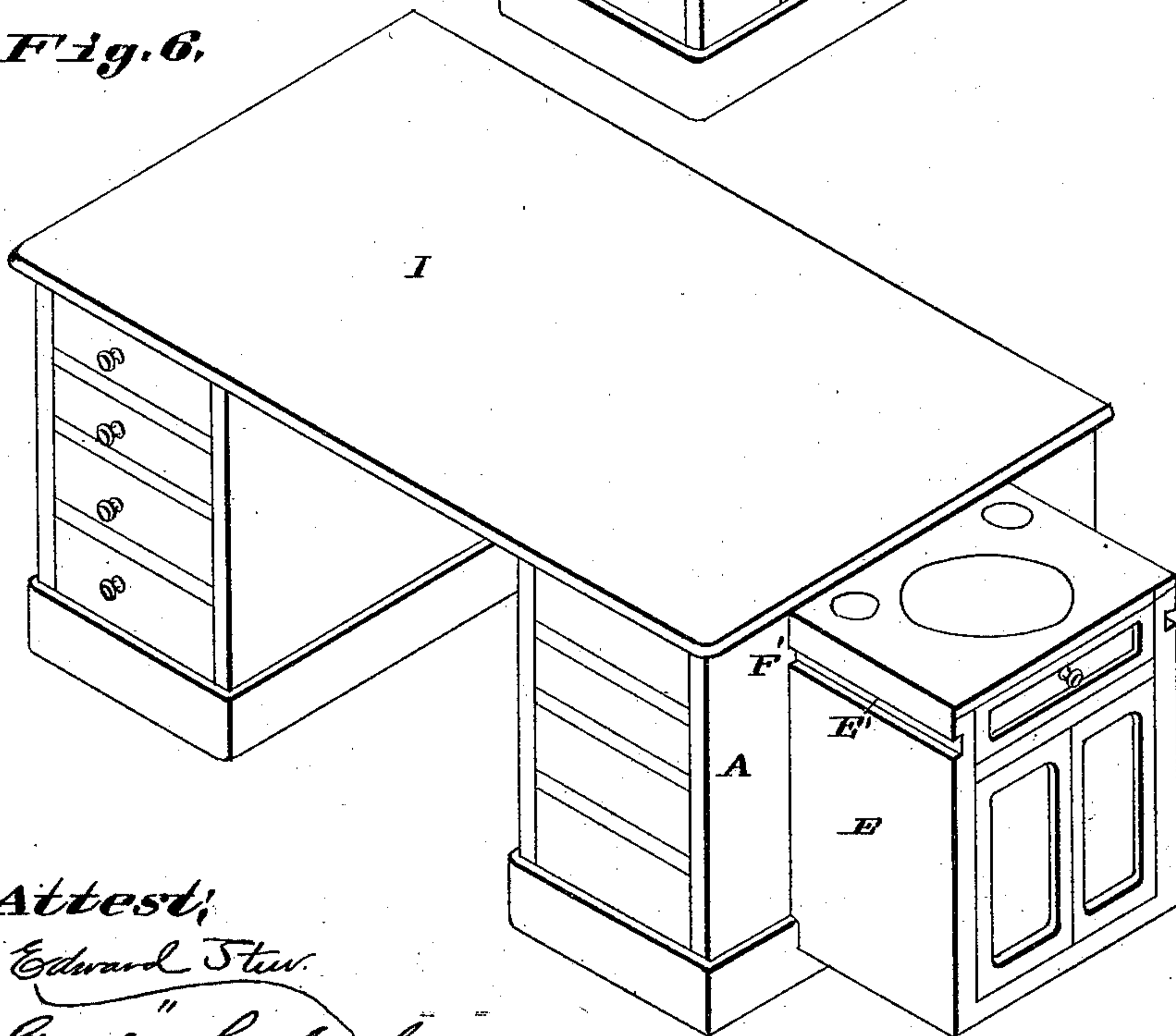
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*Fig. 6.*



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## COMBINED ARTICLE OF FURNITURE.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, JAMES C. PRINGLE and JOHN W. HOLDSWORTH, both of the city of St. Louis, in the State of Missouri, have invented a certain new and useful Combined Article of Furniture, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.

Our improved article of furniture in its most complete form simulates a wardrobe of ordinary shape. In its rear portion is a closet, extending the whole height and width, as usual, but about one-half its depth. The sides, instead of the front of the closet, are furnished with doors to gain access thereto. A vertical partition divides the front from the rear portion. Nested in the front portion is a table having suitable legs, and nested between the legs of the table is a wash-stand of ordinary box form, having the usual closet beneath and drawer above. Behind the wash-stand and secured thereto is a drop-mirror. Over the table the front portion is constructed in the form of an upright-desk top having the usual pigeon-holes closed by a door at top and the usual writing-board, the table with legs completing the desk. In a more simple form the wash-stand of box form is nested in a square recess at one side of a flat desk.

Our invention consists in the construction hereinafter described, and pointed out in the claim.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of our device in the form of an open upright desk. Fig. 2 is a similar view, the desk being closed. Fig. 3 is a similar view in the form of a dressing-table, the table being pushed in, the wash-stand drawn out, the mirror elevated, and the door of the main closet open. Fig. 4 is a vertical section through the central portion from front to rear, the article being in closed condition. Figs. 5 and 6 are perspective views showing the simple combination of flat desk and box wash-stand.

A are the side walls of the article of furniture simulating a wardrobe of ordinary shape, and B the main closet for wearing-apparel the full height and width of the inside of the article, and about one-half the depth. This closet is located in the rear portion, and closed by doors D in the sides.

C is a central vertical wall dividing the front and rear portions.

E is a wash-stand of ordinary box form, hav-

ing the usual closet and drawer. This wash-stand is nested in the lower part of the front portion in a suitable recess.

F is a table having legs that straddle the wash-stand, and occupying the same recess as the wash-stand, so that either or both of them may be drawn out.

F' are ribs on the table-frame that work in grooves E' of the wash-stand to give steadiness to both articles. In the rear part of the wash-stand is a recess that receives a vertical mirror, G, which may be drawn up from the recess, as seen in Fig. 3. When the mirror is elevated, the lower part remains in the recess to give it steadiness, and beneath this part bears a spring, H, to sustain the mirror. The upper or bearing end of the spring H is curved, so that it may be pushed aside by the mirror when the latter is pushed downward. The desk I has a writing-board or falling table, I', of a usual construction, which forms the shutter of the desk when up and the paper-board when down, in the latter case resting on the table F, which is drawn out for that purpose. (See Fig. 1.)

The legs of the various parts may have casters.

In Figs. 5 and 6 the simple combination of desk and wash-stand is shown.

In Fig. 5 the wash-stand is stationary in the desk, and its cover E<sup>2</sup> forms part of the desk-top when folded down upon the wash-stand. This top contains, or may contain, a mirror, G', and may stand at any elevation or be folded down, as shown.

In Fig. 6 the wash-stand is made to slide in a recess in the desk, being guided and steadied by a rib, F', on each side, said ribs working in grooves E' of the wash-stand.

We claim as our invention—

An article of furniture simulating a wardrobe, consisting of main closet B, occupying the rear portion, a table, F, having legs and nested in the front portion, box wash-stand E, nested beneath the table between the legs, and the upright-desk top formed in the upper front portion, the whole constructed to form at option a wardrobe, upright desk, dressing-table, or wash-stand, as set forth.

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