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Fig. 1.

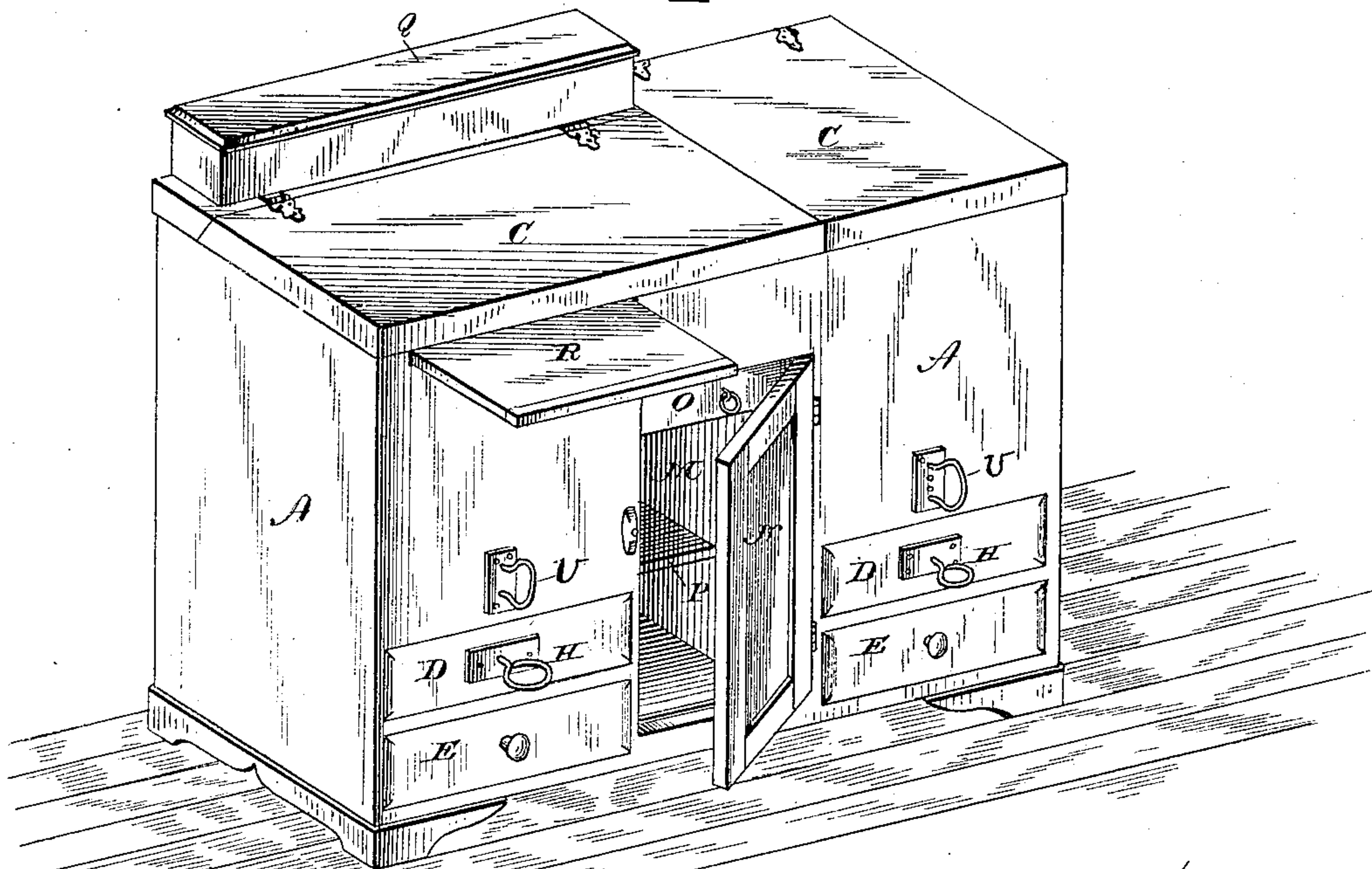


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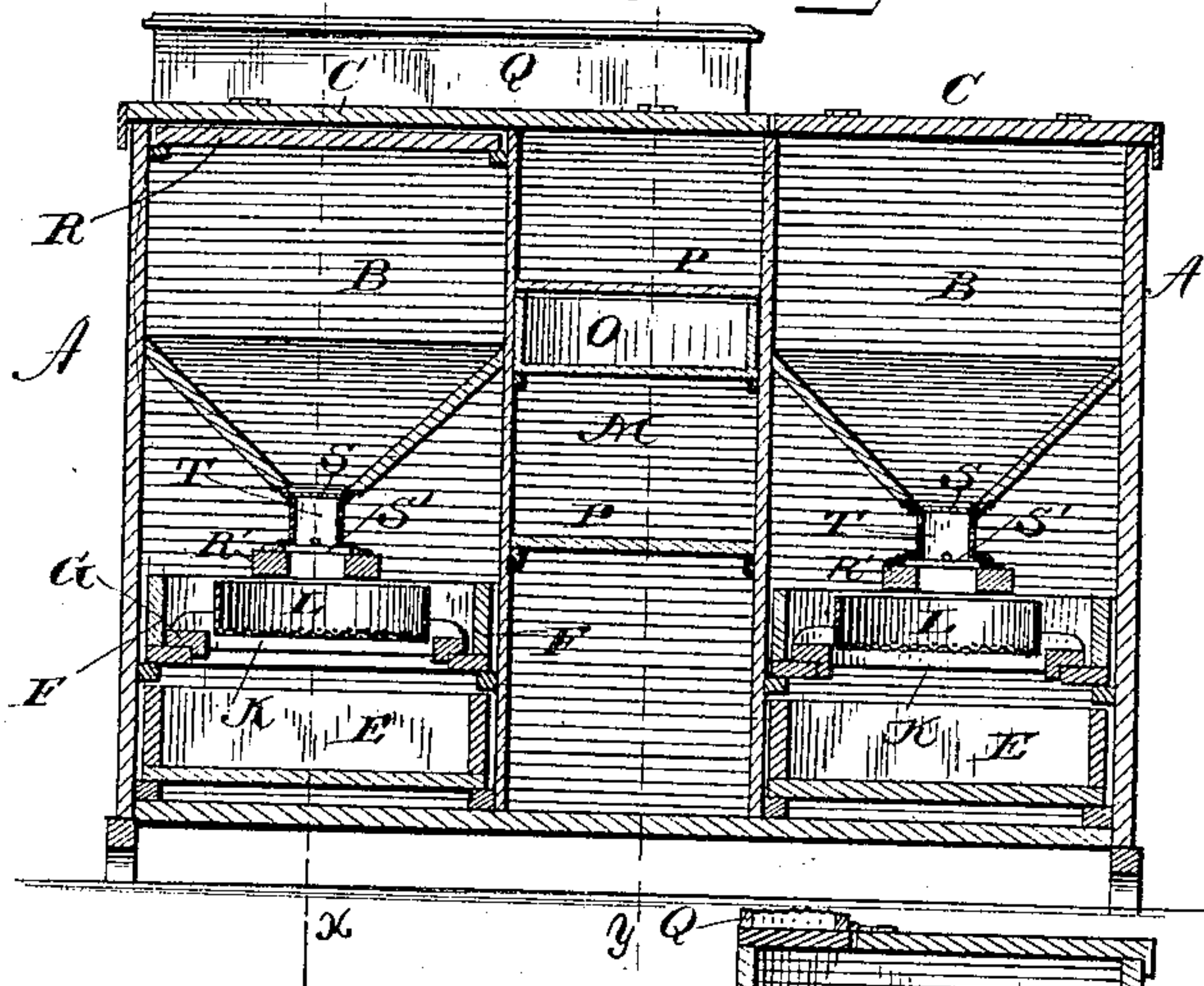
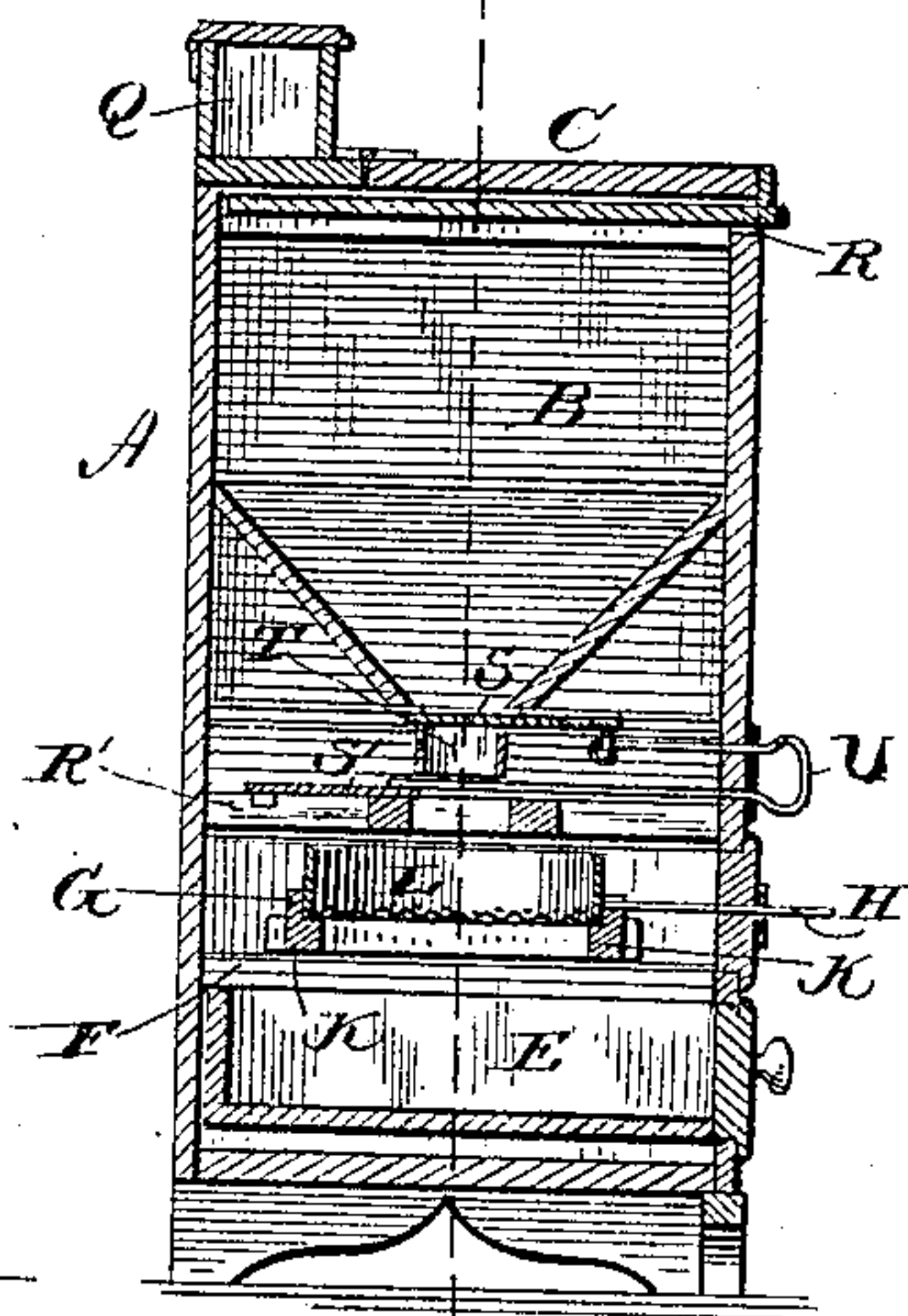
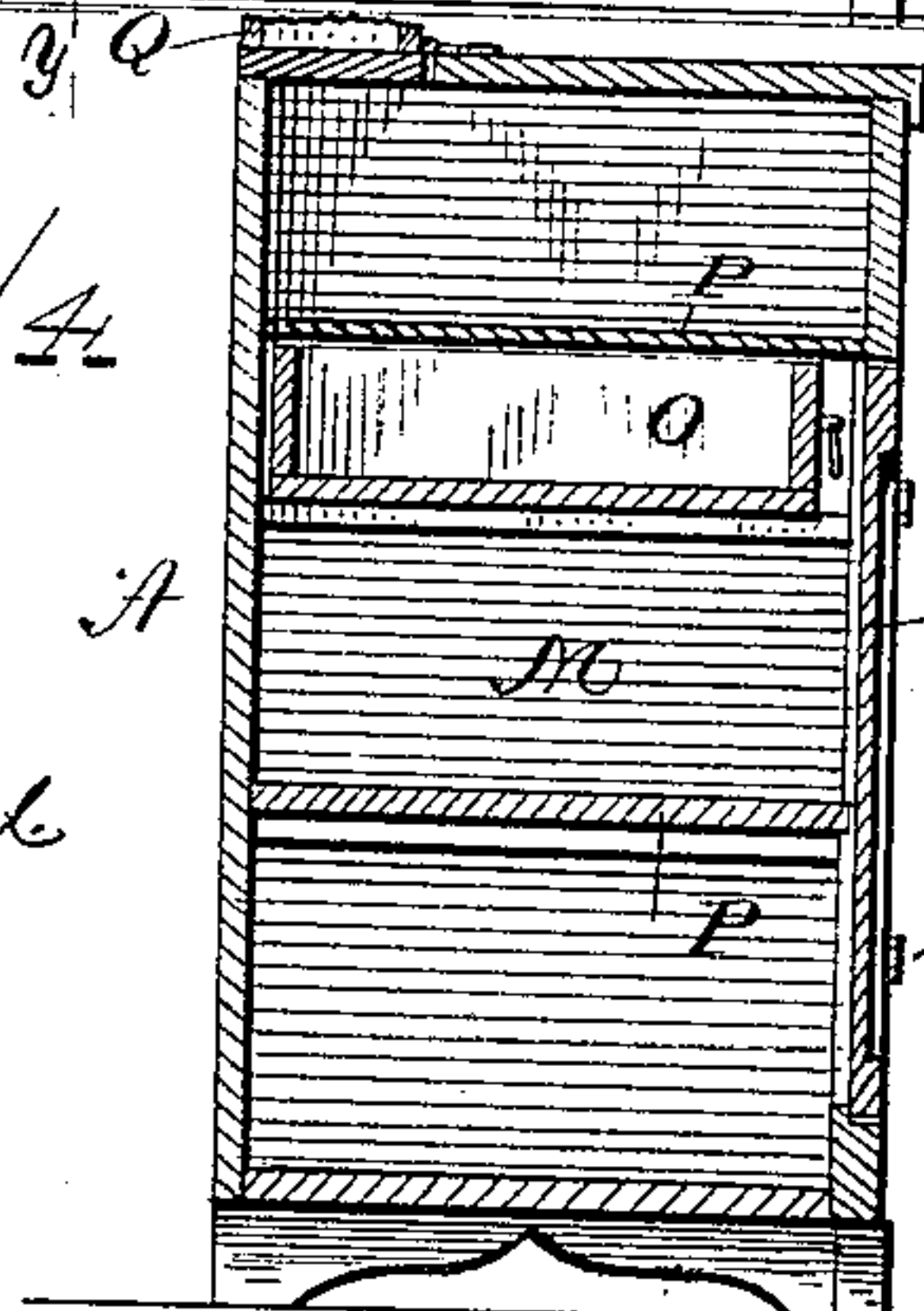


Fig. 2



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## KITCHEN-CABINET.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, LUCIEN P. SLAUGHTER, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Montrose, in the county of Henry and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Kitchen-Cabinets; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved kitchen-cabinet. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal vertical sectional view of the same. Fig. 3 is transverse vertical sectional view taken on the line *x x* in Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a vertical sectional view taken on the line *y y* in Fig. 2.

The same letters refer to the same parts in all the figures.

This invention relates to flour and meal chests and kitchen-cabinets; and it has for its object to provide a device of this class, which shall possess superior advantages in point of simplicity, durability, and general efficiency.

With these ends in view the invention consists in the improved construction and arrangement of parts, which will be hereinafter fully described, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings hereto annexed, A designates the frame or casing of my improved chest or cabinet, which contains at the sides two hoppers or bins, B B, for the reception of flour, cornmeal, and the like, and the upper ends of which are provided with hinged covers C C of suitable construction.

Arranged in each of the side compartments below the hoppers contained therein are two drawers, D and E, arranged one above the other, the upper drawer, D, of each compartment being bottomless, as shown, and provided merely with side cleats or guides, F F, for a sliding frame, G, having a handle, H, projecting through the front part of the drawer, and rests K to support a flour-sieve of ordinary construction, as denoted by letter L. The lower drawer, E, of each compartment forms a receptacle for such material as may pass through the upper or sifting-drawer D.

The central portion of the chest or bin, be-

tween the compartments B B, is occupied by a compartment, M, having a door, N, drawer O, and a shelf or shelves, P, for sundry purposes. The top of the casing has a compartment, Q, adapted to contain a rolling-pin and the like; and a flour-board, R, is arranged under the cover of one of the bins or compartments B, as shown.

At the bottom of each of the bins B is a downwardly-projecting spout, T, having a transverse slot. At the bottom of this spout is a frame, R', forming a bearing for the bottom one of a pair of slides, the top one of which passes through the slot in the spout. These slides S and S' are so arranged that whenever the slide S' covers the bottom of the spout the slide S uncovers the top of it, and the spout is filled from the bin above. When the slide S is made to cover the top of the spout, so that nothing can enter it from above, the slide S' is made to uncover the bottom, and the contents of the spout are emptied into the drawer below. These slides are operated by means of a double handle, U, the ends of which are secured to the upper and lower slide, respectively, and the bent portion of it projects through the front part of the cabinet.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the drawings hereto annexed, the operation and advantages of this invention will be readily understood.

The general construction is simple and inexpensive, and the cabinet may be readily manufactured of any desired size or capacity. The flour and meal may be easily sifted and removed without the dust usually arising from these operations and the waste consequent thereupon. At the same time the bulk of the flour and meal is easily and at all times accessible.

Having thus described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States—

1. In a kitchen-cabinet or flour-and-meal chest consisting of a compartment at each side and one between them, each of said side compartments having a bin or hopper at its upper part and provided with suitable covers, a downwardly-projecting spout at the bottom of each of said hoppers, a pair of slides so arranged that either the top or bottom of the spout is always covered by one or the other of

them, a frame for supporting said slides, a suitable sifting device below said spout and frame, and means for operating said slides and sifting device, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

5 2. In a kitchen-cabinet or flour-and-meal chest, as described, the combination, with each of the bins above and the drawers below, of cleats secured to the inner sides of the compartments, below the bins, a bottomless drawer  
10 sliding upon said cleats, a frame sliding within

said drawer, and means for operating the same, and a suitable sieve within said frame, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as  
my own I have hereunto affixed my signature 15  
in presence of two witnesses.

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