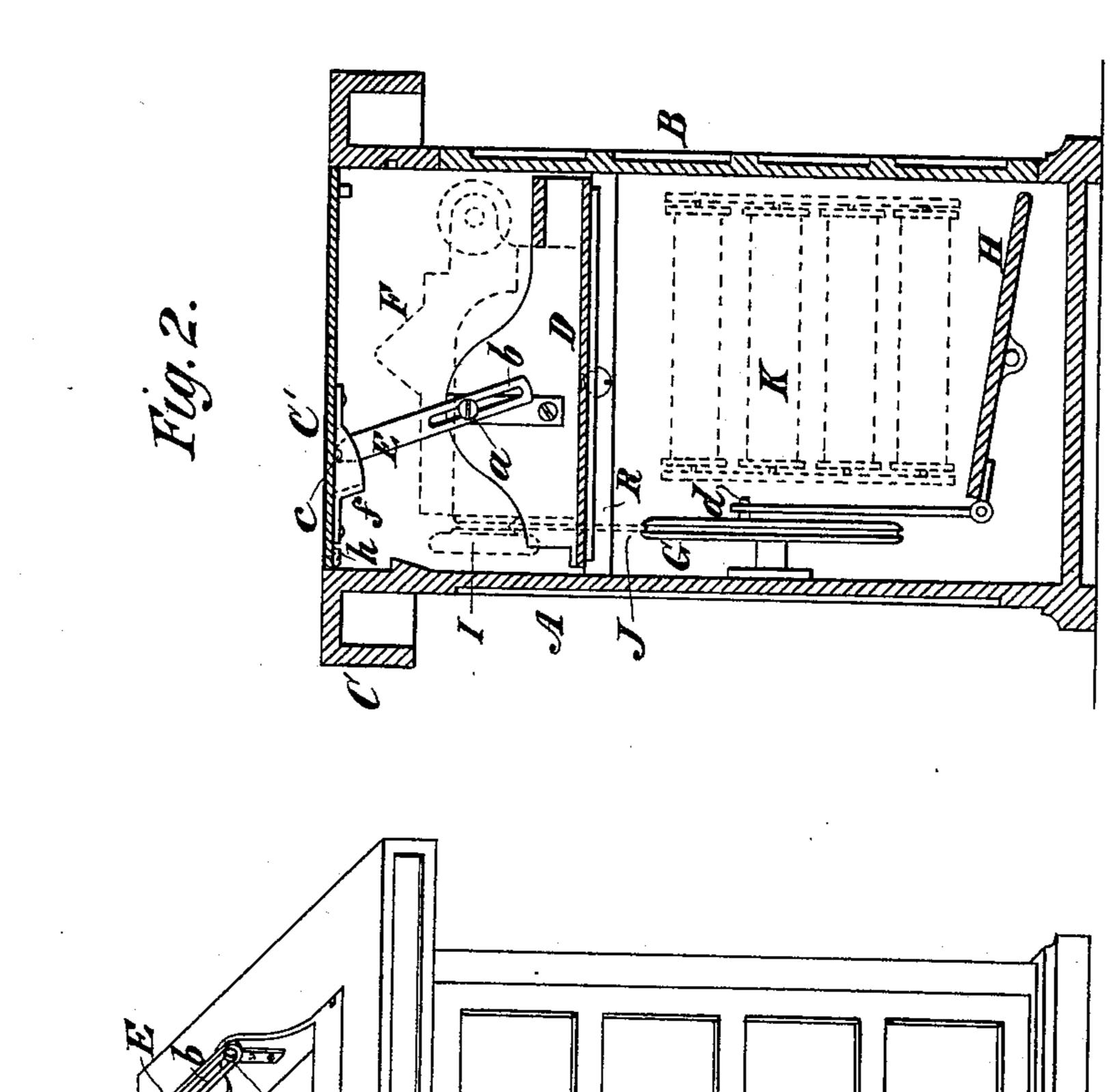
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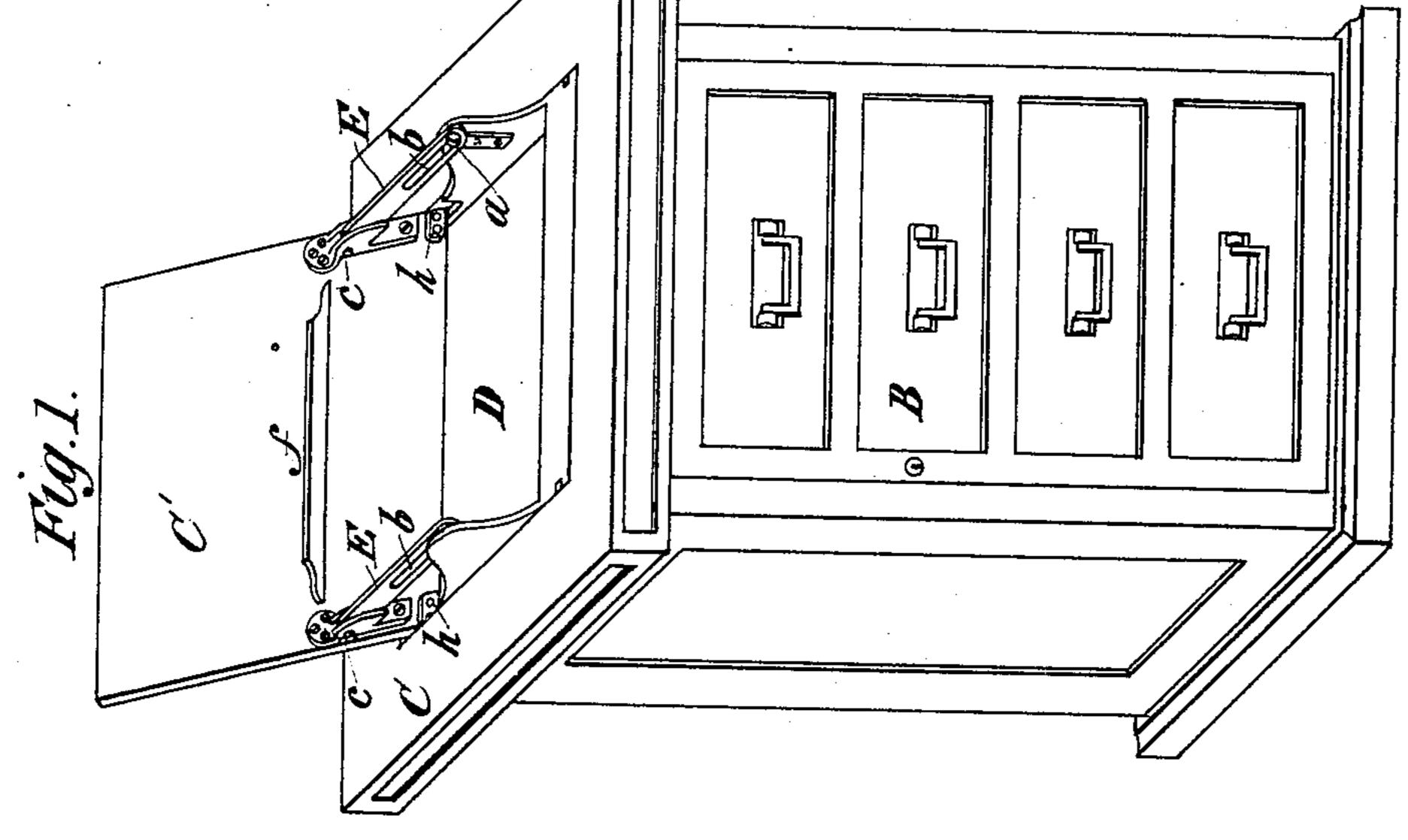
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Amos F. Gerald, of Fairfield, in the county of Somerset and State of Maine, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Cabinet - Stands, of which the following is a specification.

I will describe a cabinet stand embodying my improvement, and then point out its vari-

ous features in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a stand embodying my invention; and Fig. 2 is a vertical section of the same, taken from the front to the rear or about midway between the sides.

Similar letters of reference designate corre-

sponding parts in both figures.

A designates the body of the cabinet-stand. Its sides and back may be paneled or otherwise ornamented to suit the taste. It may 20 have any desired moldings at the base. The front B is shown as paneled to represent the fronts of a number of drawers; but it may be embellished otherwise. The front is hinged at one of its side edges by hinges h to one of 25 the sides of the body of the cabinet, and may be fastened, when closed, by any suitable catch or fastening. The top consists of a rimlike portion, C, made of any suitable shape and material, and a leaf-like portion, C', 30 hinged at one edge to the rim-like portion. At the other edge the leaf-like portion may be fastened down with any suitable catch. The leaf-like portion may be made of wood, and will preferably be covered with cloth.

D designates a shelf arranged within the body of the cabinet-stand and fitting snugly therein. At opposite sides this shelf is provided with pins or lugs a, which may be made of metal, and fit in slots b in the lower por-40 tions of links or rods E. The links or rods E at the upper ends are pivotally connected by pins to lugs c, which are made of metal, and are fastened to the leaf-like portion C' of the top of the cabinet-stand, forward of the hinges, 45 whereby the said leaf-like portion is connected to the rim-like portion. The links or rods E serve as a connection between the leaf-like portion and the shelf, so that when the leaflike portion is swung upward it carries with 50 it the shelf D, and when it is swung downward it allows the shelf D to descend.

By swinging the leaf-like portion of the top of the cabinet-stand upon its hinges it may be used as a lever, whereby to raise and lower the shelf D, which is hung from it. The shelf 55 when raised may be supported by any suitable contrivances. I have shown it as provided with a bar, R, pivoted to it at the middle, and adapted when swung in one direction to engage at one end with a lug or projection upon one side of the inner surface of the case and at the other end with a recess formed in the opposite side of the case, and when swung in the other direction to be disengaged therefrom.

The object of providing the links or rods E with slots is to admit of swinging back the leaf-like portion C' of the top of the cabinet-stand farther than it could be otherwise swung back

back.

This cabinet-stand may be used for various purposes. For instance, it may be used as a wash-stand, a sewing-machine case, or a musical-instrument case.

When the leaf-like portion of the top of the 75 stand is swung forward, the shelf, with anything supported by it, will be lowered, so that the said leaf-like portion may be closed over it. To raise the leaf-like portion, the front of the body of the stand may be opened, the leaf-like portion may be pressed up by pressure underneath until it can be grasped by the hand, and then it may be raised and swung back.

My stand is neat, simple, and not adapted

to easily get out of order.

I do not herein lay claim, broadly, to a cabinet provided with a leaf-like portion hinged to the body of the cabinet, a movable shelf, and a link connecting the leaf-like top portion and the shelf, as the same was old prior to my in- 90 vention.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to

secure by Letters Patent, is-

In a stand, the combination of a body, a leaflike top portion hinged at one of its side edges 95 to said body, a movable shelf, and links or rods having a slotted connection with said movable shelf, substantially as specified.

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