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Fig. 1.

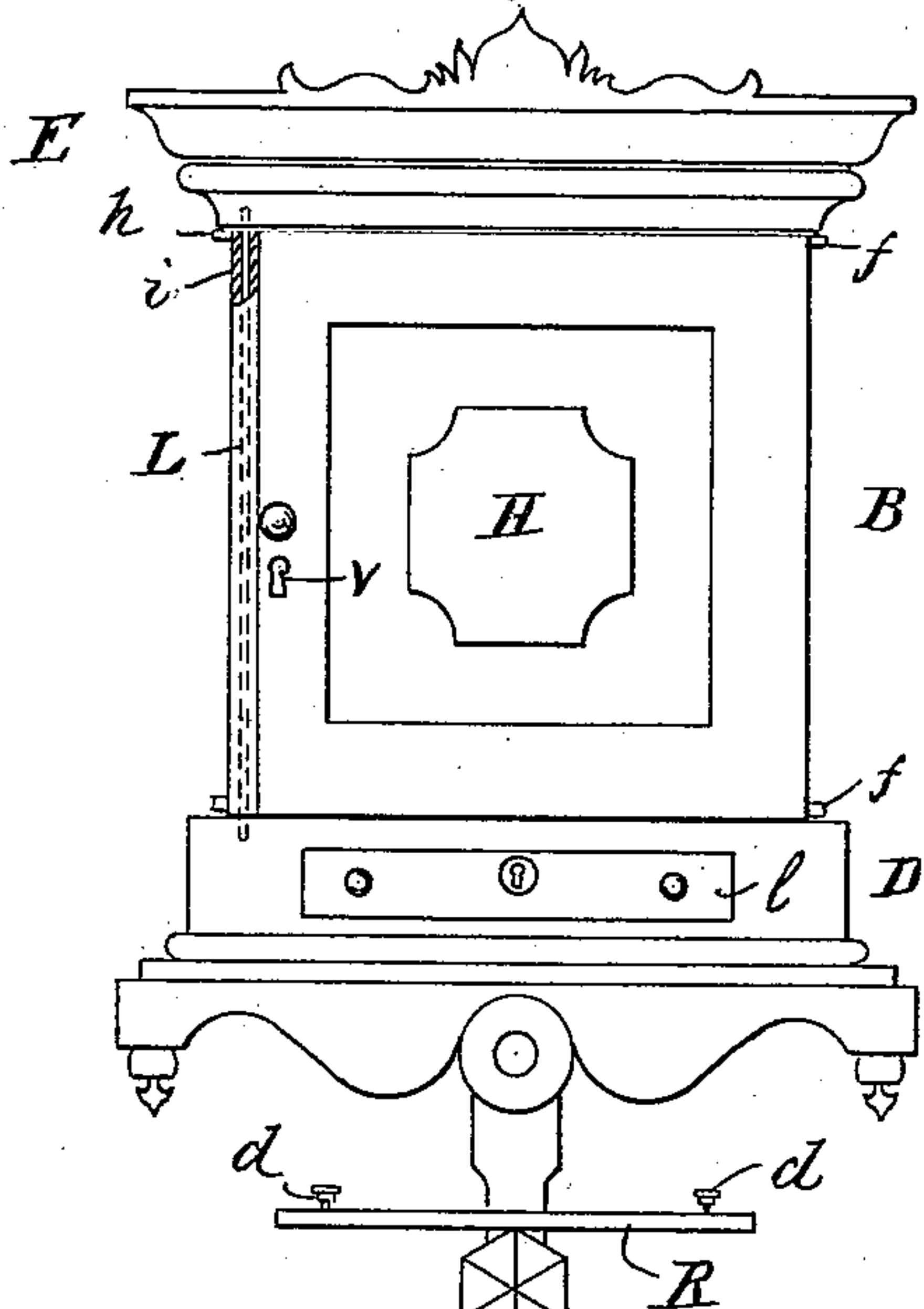


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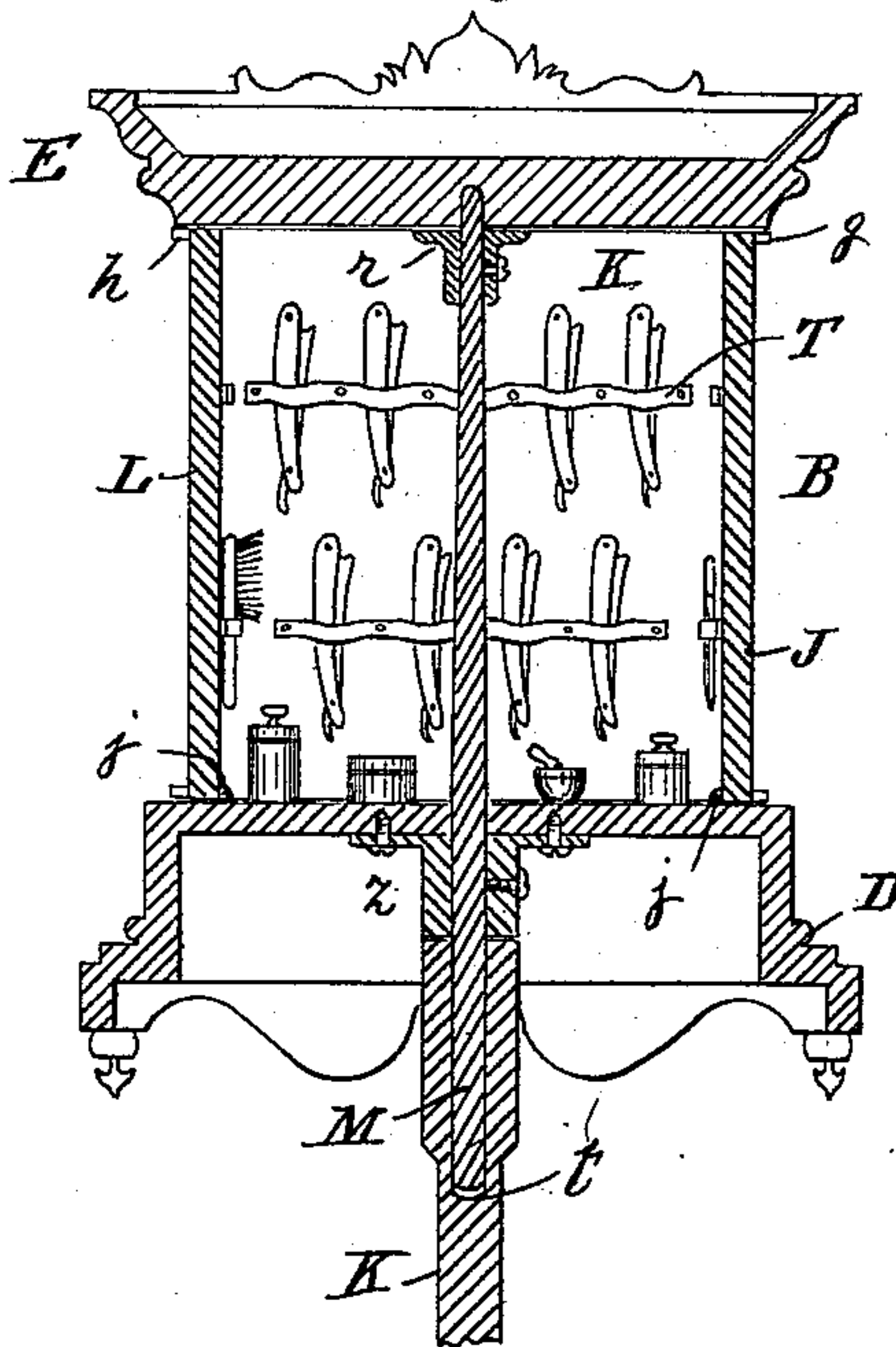


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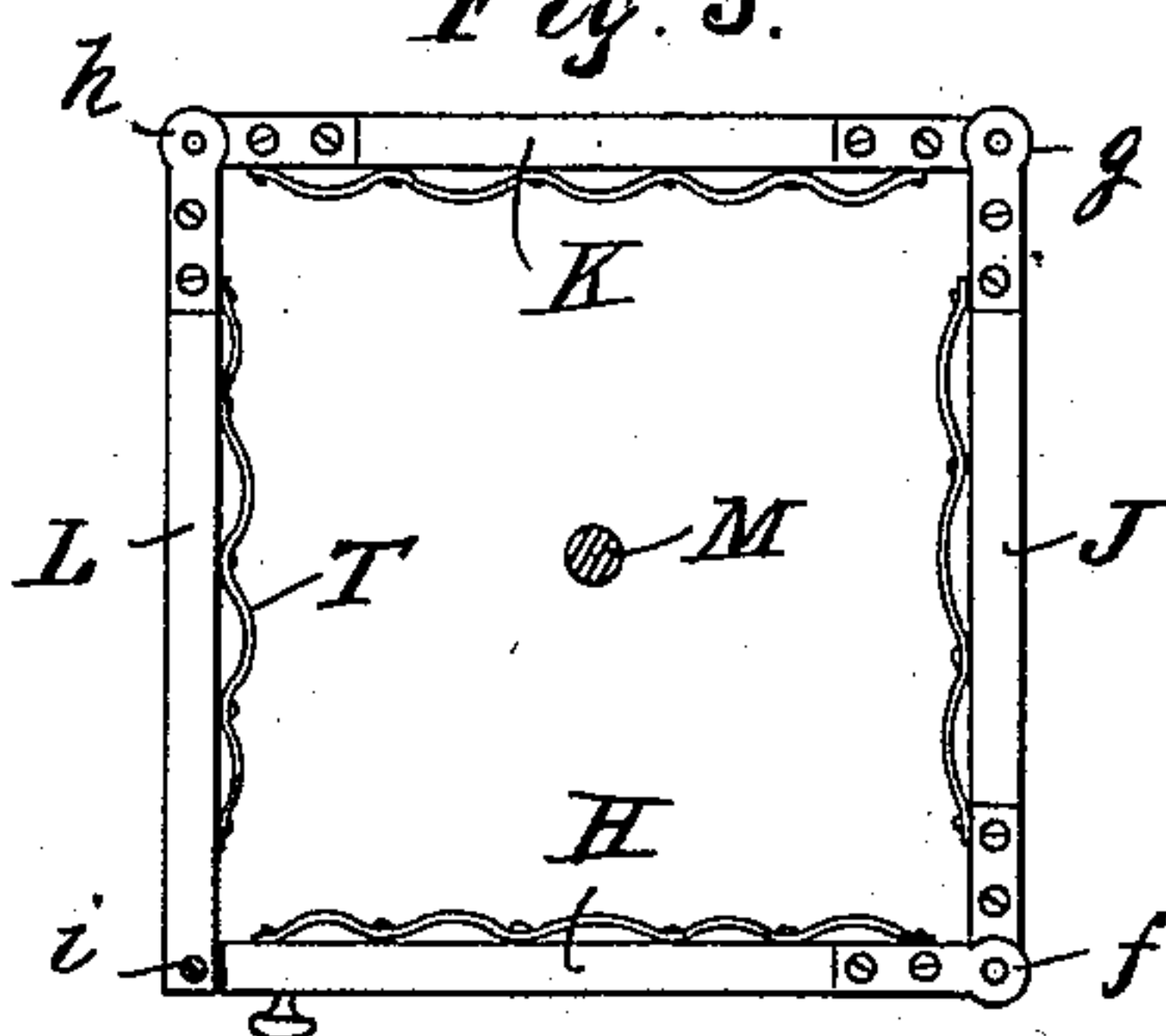
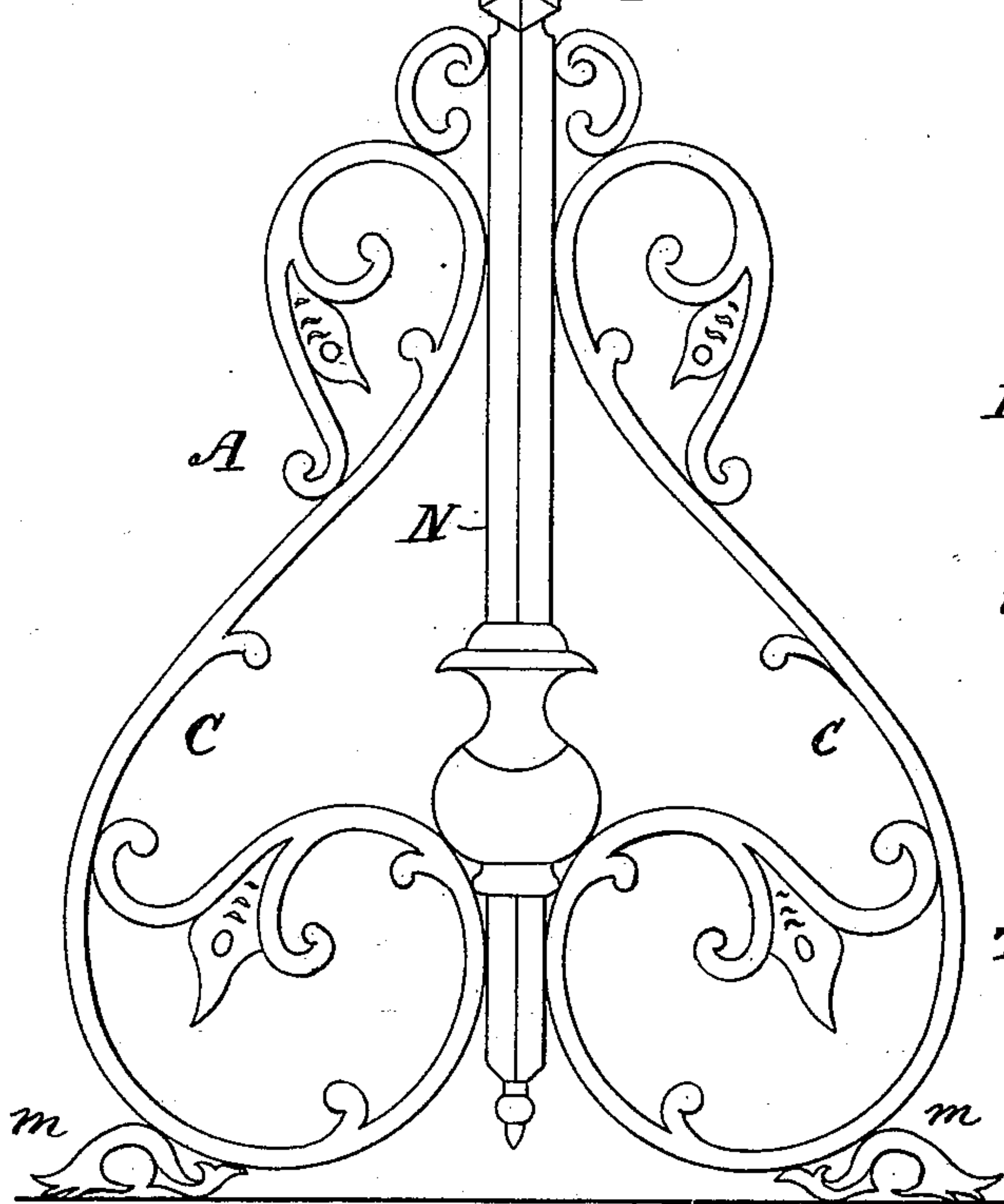
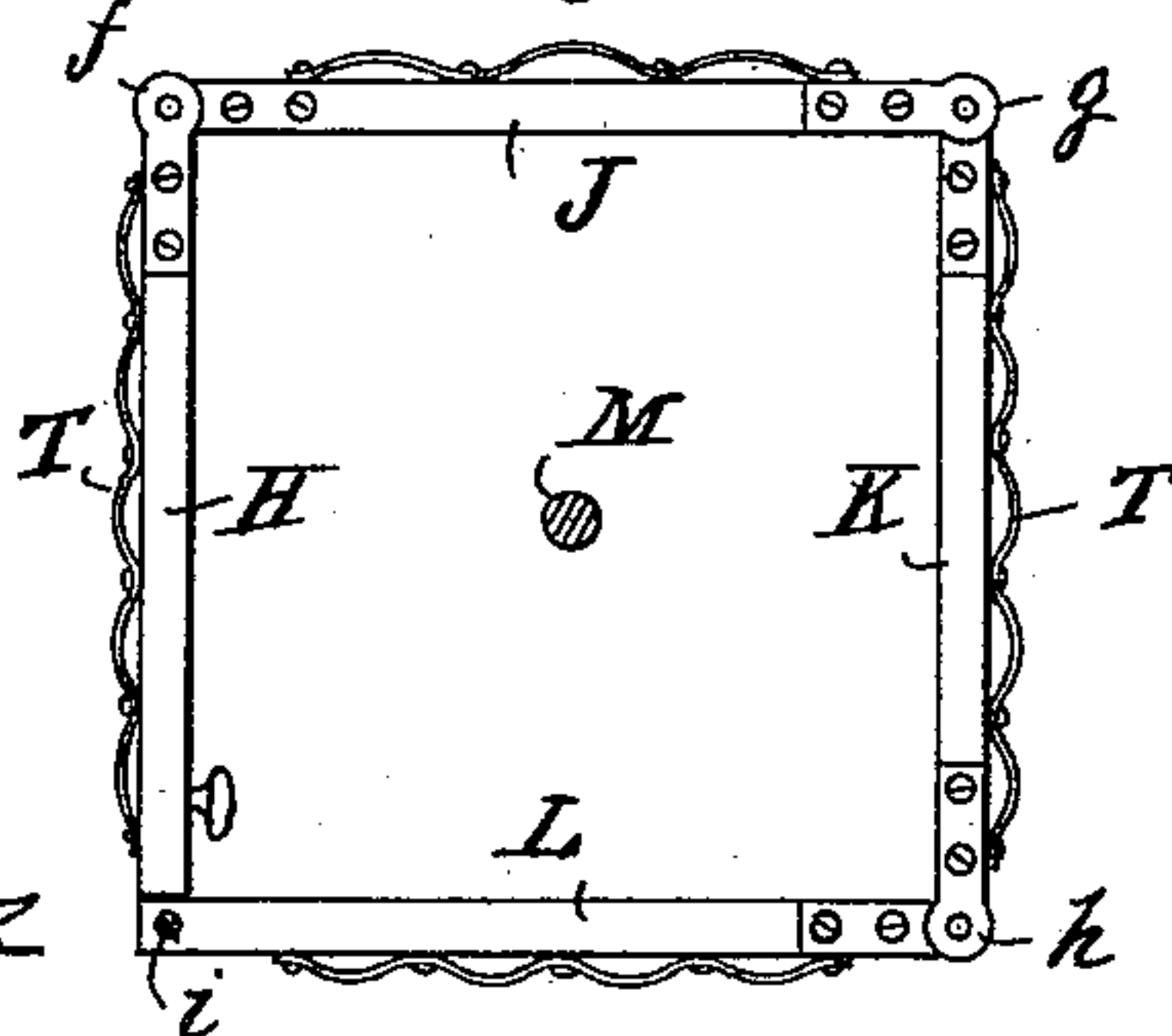


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LORENZ F. GERBING, of Wymore, in the county of Gage, State of Nebraska, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Cabinets, of which the following is a description sufficiently full, clear, and exact to enable any person skilled in the art or science to which said invention appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of my improved cabinet, a small portion of the same being represented as removed or broken away to show the rod on which the doors are journaled; Fig. 2, a vertical longitudinal section of the case or cabinet proper, including its arbor and a portion of the standard; Fig. 3, a top plan view of the doors or sides of the case represented as closed, and Fig. 4 a like view of said doors or sides represented as opened.

Corresponding letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the different figures of the drawings.

My invention relates to that class of cabinets which are employed by hair-dressers and barbers for containing their scissors, razors, brushes, perfumery, oils; and it consists in a novel construction and arrangement of the parts, as hereinafter more fully set forth and claimed, by which a more effective and otherwise desirable article of this character is produced than is now in ordinary use.

The nature of the improvement will be readily understood by all conversant with such matters from the following explanation.

In the drawings, A represents the stand, and B the case or cabinet proper, considered as a whole or in its entirety.

The stand is preferably composed of iron, and provided with the vertically-arranged and centrally-disposed standard N, said standard being supported by three bracket-legs, C, having feet *m*, one of said legs being necessarily obscured in the view given, and therefore not shown in the drawings; but instead of the legs C a foot-piece or any other suitable means may be employed for supporting the standard N, if preferred.

The case B or cabinet proper is preferably composed of wood, and is provided with a base,

D, cap E, and four doors or sides, H J K L, the doors H J being jointed or hinged together by the hinges *f*, the doors J K by the hinges *g*, and the doors K L by the hinges *h* in such a manner as to be swung outwardly or folded back, as hereinafter described.

A vertically-arranged rod, *i*, is rigidly secured in the base D and cap E, at the left-hand front corner of the case, the door or side L being also hinged to this rod.

A socket, *t*, is formed in the upper end of the standard N, and disposed in said socket there is a vertically-arranged spindle or arbor, M, which extends upwardly through the center of the body of the case B, and has its upper end secured in a sleeve, *r*, attached to the lower side of the cap E, the body of said spindle being secured in a sleeve, *z*, attached to the base D. The spindle serves to aid the rod *i* in supporting the cap E, and enable it (the case) to be revolved on the standard K; but pillars or other means for supporting said cap may be employed, and, instead of rigidly securing the spindle to the base and cap, it may be arranged to revolve therein, if desired.

A cross-bar, R, is attached to the upper portion of the standard N, said bar being provided with hooks or knobs *d*, to which straps may be secured for strapping or sharpening the razors, in the usual manner.

The base D is provided with a drawer, *l*, which may be used for any convenient purpose; but the drawer and also the bar R may be omitted, if desired.

Horizontally-arranged looped straps T are secured to the inner sides of the doors, for holding razors, scissors, brushes, &c.; but any other suitable means may be employed for this purpose.

A lock is provided at *v* for securing the door H to the door L, or for locking the case.

In the use of my improvement the case may, so to speak, be turned inside out by folding all of its doors or sides outwardly and backwardly, as shown in Fig. 4, thereby bringing the sides H J K L when opened respectively into the positions occupied by the sides L K J H when closed, as shown by Figs. 3 and 4.

The key-hole of the lock *v* extends through

the door H, so that when said door is reversed and brought into the position originally occupied by the door L it may be readily locked to said last-named door, if desired, although
5 any suitable lock or means for securing the doors when closed or opened may be employed.

It will be obvious that the rod *i* is the pivotal support or center of motion around which the doors are revolved in fully opening and
10 closing the case; also that the case may be readily detached from the standard for convenience in storing or transportation by removing the spindle M from the socket *t*.

A rabbet or shoulder, *j*, is formed on the floor of the base D, to assist in keeping the
15 doors in proper position when closed and also when opened. Bolts or catches may also be employed on the inner sides of the door for the same purpose, if desired, and, in addition
20 to the rabbet *j*, a corresponding shoulder or stop may be formed on the lower side of the cap E, to subserve in keeping the doors in proper position.

I do not confine myself to any special form
25 or design for the stand A, as any suitable support for the case may be employed. Neither do I confine myself to making the body of the case B square or with four doors, as it may be made triangular, hexagonal, octagonal, or of
30 any other suitable shape, the number of doors being varied, of course, according to the style in which the case is constructed. The spindle M may also be rigidly attached to the standard N, or formed integral therewith, if de-
35 sired, when the case is arranged to revolve around said spindle.

It will also be obvious that the case, being journaled on the spindle, may be revolved to bring it into any desired position, whether
40 closed, opened, or partially opened, rendering it very convenient to gain access to its contents when used by either one or more persons.

I do not confine myself to using the cabinet for tonsorial purposes exclusively, as it may
45 be employed for a toilet-case, book-case, or other case, the doors being, of course, provided on their inner edges with proper shelves or other appliances to adapt them for the uses to which they are applied.

By providing the inner faces or sides of the
50 doors with proper "pigeon-holes" or compartments, the cabinet may also be employed to advantage by lawyers, editors, and others for filing papers.

Having thus explained my invention, what
55 I claim is—

1. In a cabinet substantially such as described, the combination of the following instrumentalities, to wit: a standard, legs or
60 means for supporting said standard in a vertical position, and a case mounted on said standard and adapted to revolve in a horizontal plane, said case being provided with doors or sides hinged together and adapted to be
65 swung around a common pivotal support or center of motion in such manner as to reverse their position or turn the inner side or face of each door outwardly, substantially as specified.

2. In a cabinet substantially such as described, the base D, cap E, rod *i*, hinged doors
70 H J K L, spindle M, standard N, and means for supporting said standard in a vertical position, combined and arranged to operate substantially as set forth.

3. In a cabinet substantially such as described, the doors H J K L, provided with the
75 straps T, said doors being hinged together and jointed to the rod *i*, substantially as described.

4. The bar R, provided with the hooks or
80 knobs *d*, in combination with the standard N and case B, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

5. The improved cabinet herein described, the same consisting of the stand A, provided
85 with the standard N, having the legs C and socket *t*, and the case B, having the base D, cap E, rod *i*, hinged doors H J K L, and means for supporting razors or other articles on the inner faces or sides of said doors, con-
90 structed, combined, and arranged to operate substantially as described.

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