

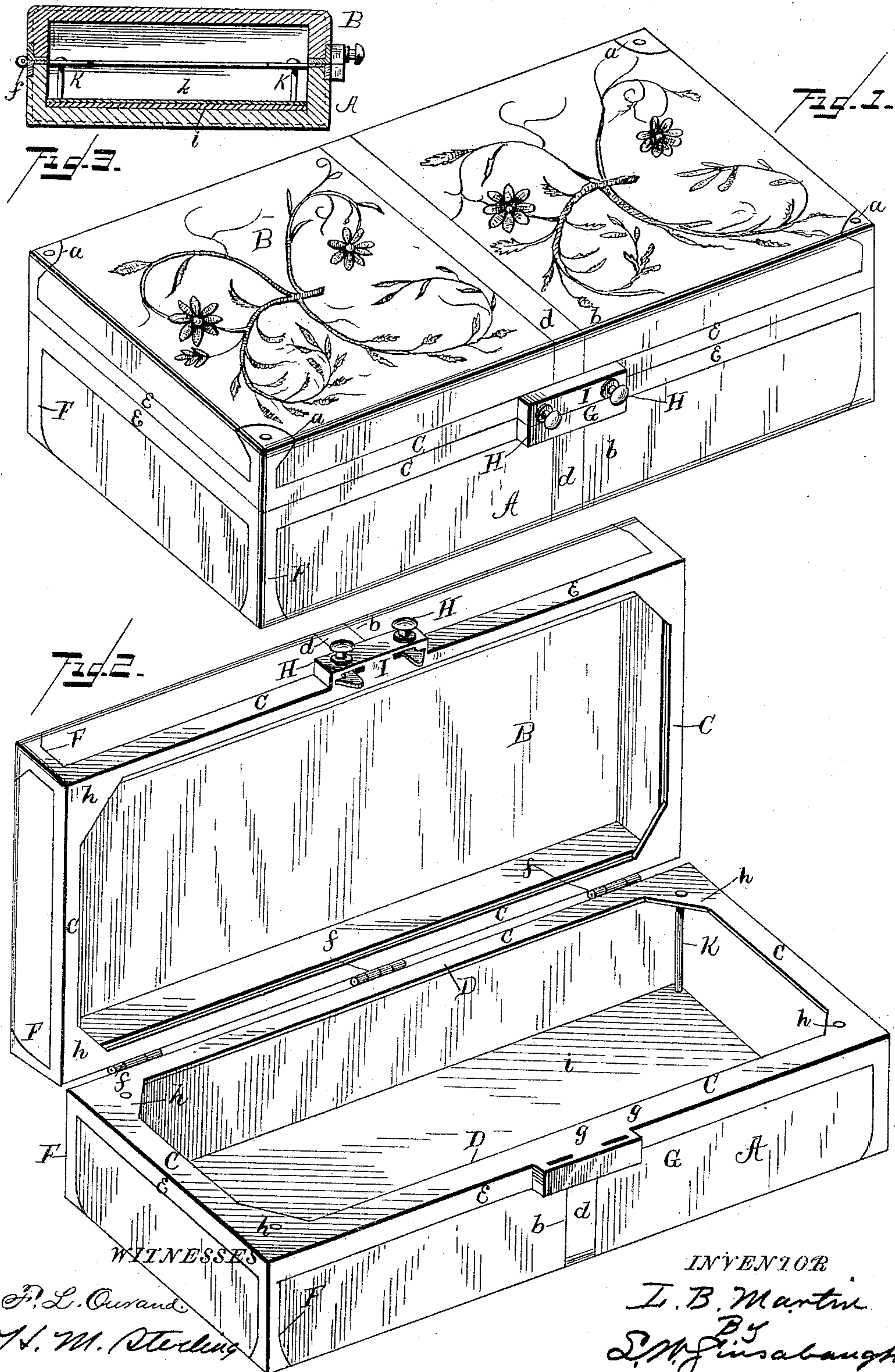
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## TOILET-CASE.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, LUCIEN B. MARTIN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Fostoria, in the county of Seneca and State of Ohio, have invented new and useful Improvements in Toilet-Cases; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of said invention, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters or figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to improvements in toilet-cases, and has for its object to construct a toilet box or case the main body of which is made of glass or similar material.

My invention consists in pressing the two portions forming the main body of glass and joining the same by means of metallic frames having hinges, as will be more fully herein-after described.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 is a view in perspective with the box closed. Fig. 2 is also a view in perspective with the box opened. Fig. 3 is a sectional view.

A indicates the bottom or lower portion of the box, and B the upper portion or lid, both portions being made of glass and having ornamental designs of vines, flowers, or other shapes pressed thereon.

The corners of each of the sections A and B are provided with depressions *a* to receive and hold the metallic corner-pieces, as will more fully hereinafter appear.

The central portion of each of the sections A and B are provided with a groove *b* to receive a strap *d*, of metal, for holding the metal frames, which assist in connecting the two sections A and B together in a firm and substantial manner, and the object of the grooves is to allow the metal bands to set into the same so they will not project above the surface of the sections, and also prevent the metallic frames from being displaced.

C are metallic frames adapted to fit over the abutting edges of the sections A and B, as shown in Fig. 3, said frames being made, by preference, of white metal, but may be made of the more precious metals, such as gold, silver, &c.

The frames C are, for convenience and as a matter of economy in construction, cast in one piece, with a flat portion D to rest on the

edges of the two sections, and with a portion E at right angles to the portion D to fit against the sides of the sections A and B. The corners of the frames have cast therewith, or secured thereto by soldering, projections or arms F, which are enlarged at their outer ends and adapted to fit in the depressions *a*, formed in the outside corners of the sections A and B, as has been already stated, the metal being forced into a cavity by means of a punch, so as to hold these arms F in their proper positions. The perforated lugs *f*, forming the hinges, are also cast with the frames C, and by which the two sections of the box are joined together by a pin passing through the hinge-lugs in the usual manner.

The metallic frame on the lower section A is provided with a lug G, in which recesses *g* are formed to receive spring hooks or catches H located in a similar lug I, formed on the frame of the upper section.

The inner corners of the frames C are so arranged as to project inward into the cavity of the sections A and B, as shown at *h*, so as to form bearings or supports for the bolts K, said bolts being designed to hold a wooden strip or false bottom *i* in the bottom of the lower section, to which brackets may be attached for holding combs, brushes, and other implements used in the toilet. The band or strap *d* may be cast with or otherwise secured to the frame at one end, the strap being passed around the section in the groove *b* and soldered at the other end to the frame, thus making the frame fast and rigid to the sections. A lining of velvet or other suitable fabric K is placed on the top of the board *i* to hide the unsightly appearance of the same, and the sides and top of the sections may be lined with velvet, silk, or other suitable material, so as to add to the æsthetic appearance of the case and give a better display to the flowers, vines, and other ornaments formed in the glass bodies of the article.

While I have described and prefer to make my improved toilet-case of glass, yet I do not wish to limit myself to the use of glass, for it is obvious that artificial marble, stone, and other substances of like nature and capable of being pressed or molded may be used.

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination, in a toilet-case, of the bottom section, its false bottom, the metallic frame embracing the walls of the box and having inwardly-projecting corners *h*, and the  
5 bolts K, seated in said corners and bearing upon the false bottom, whereby it is held in position, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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