

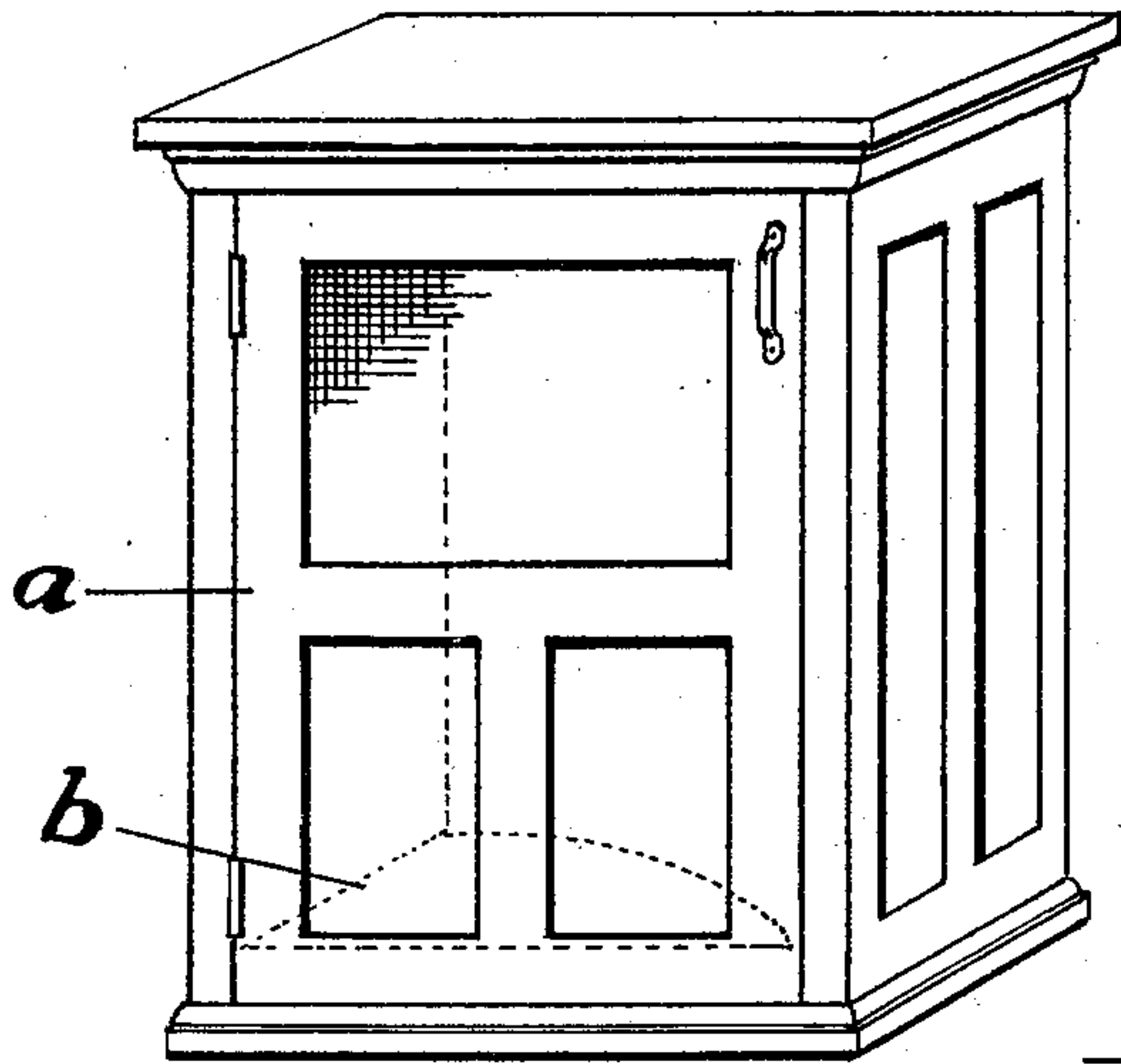
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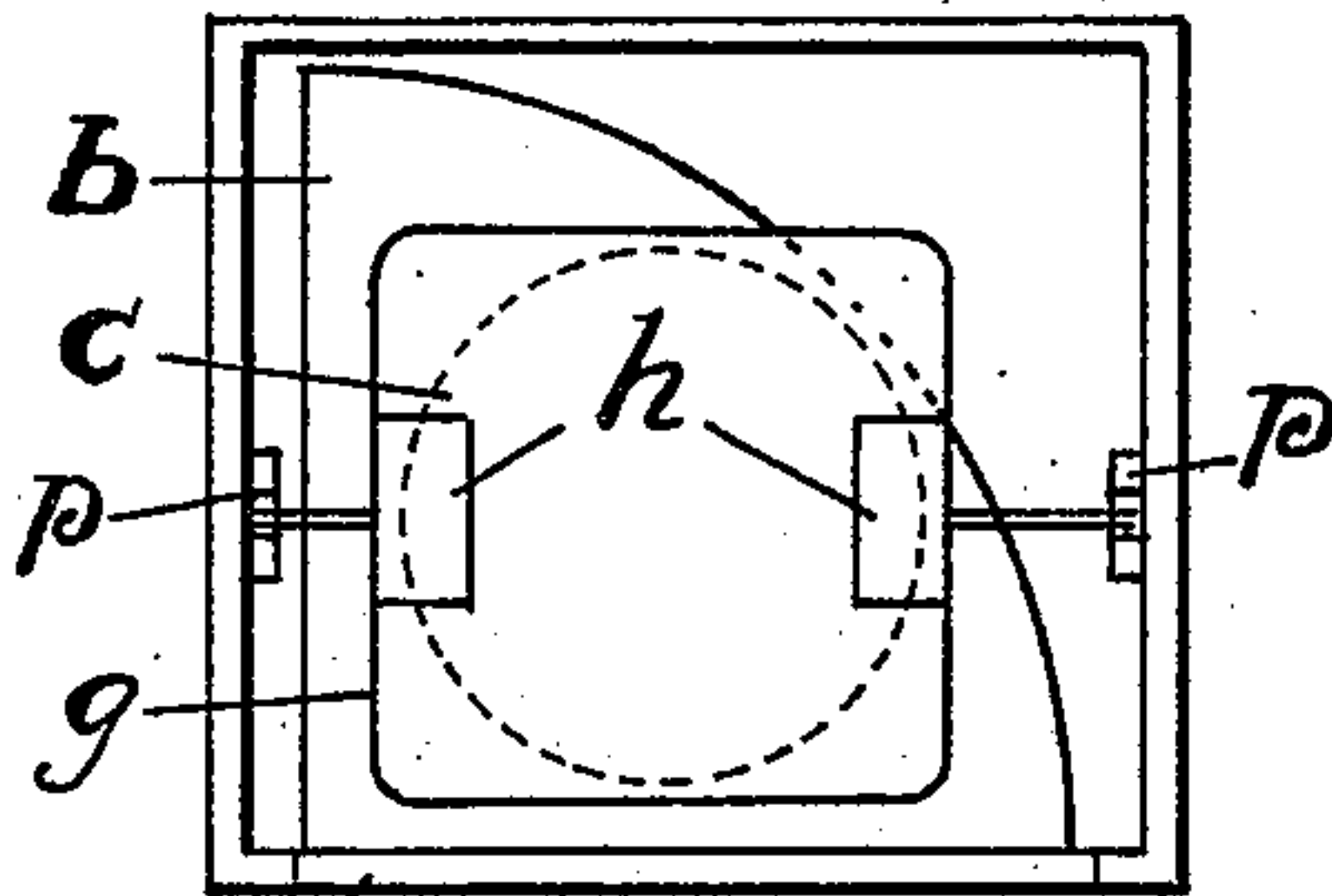
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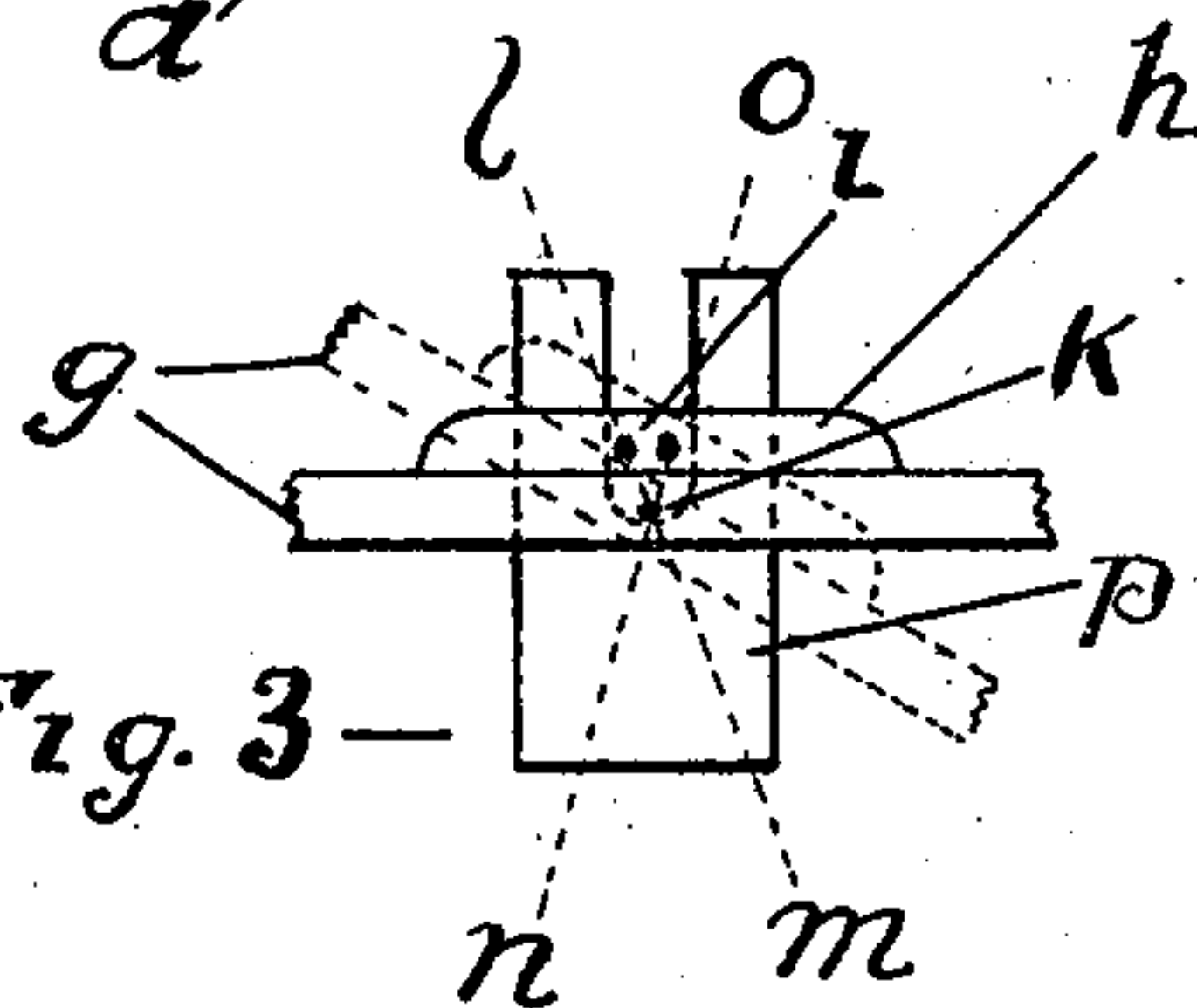
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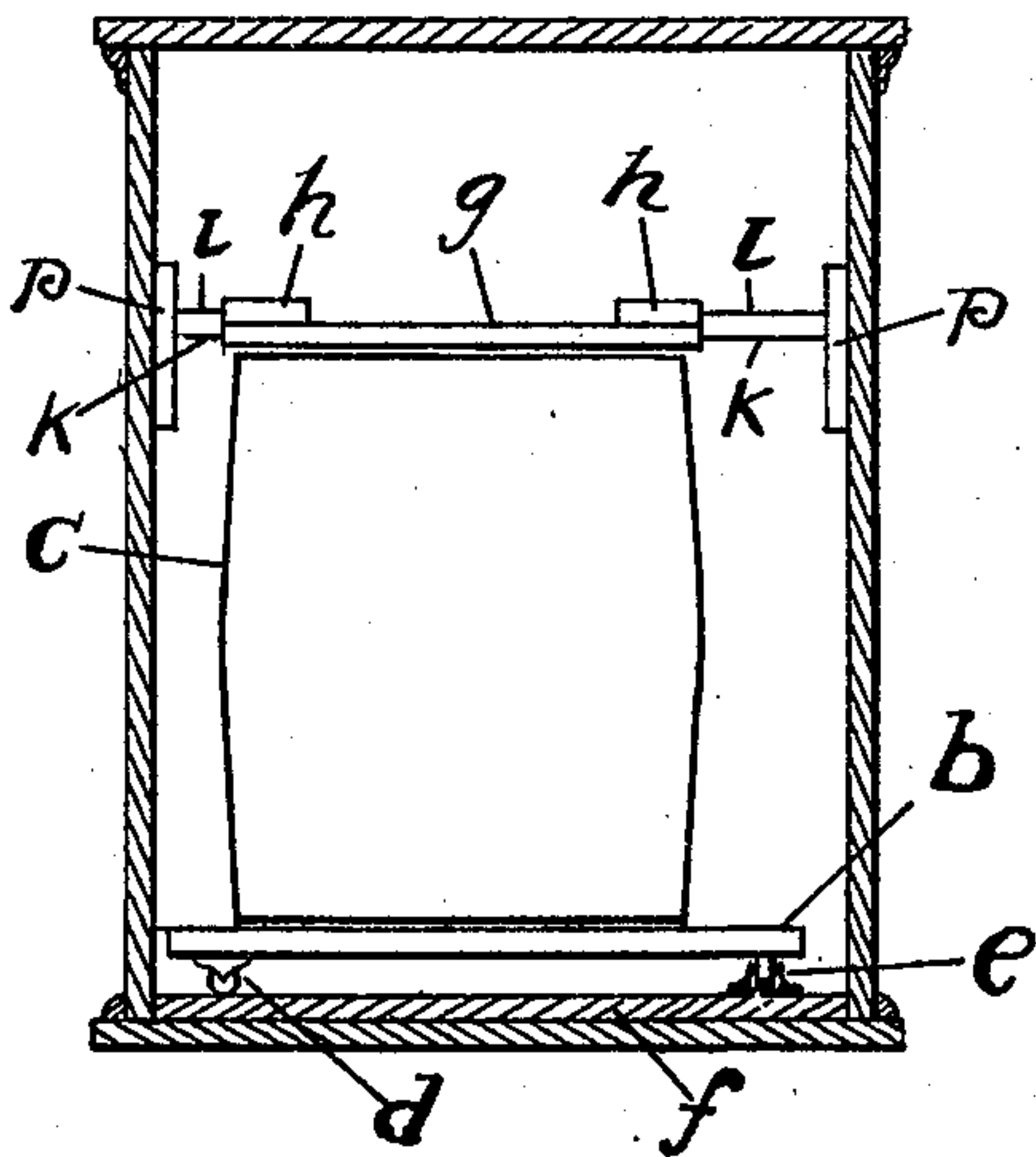
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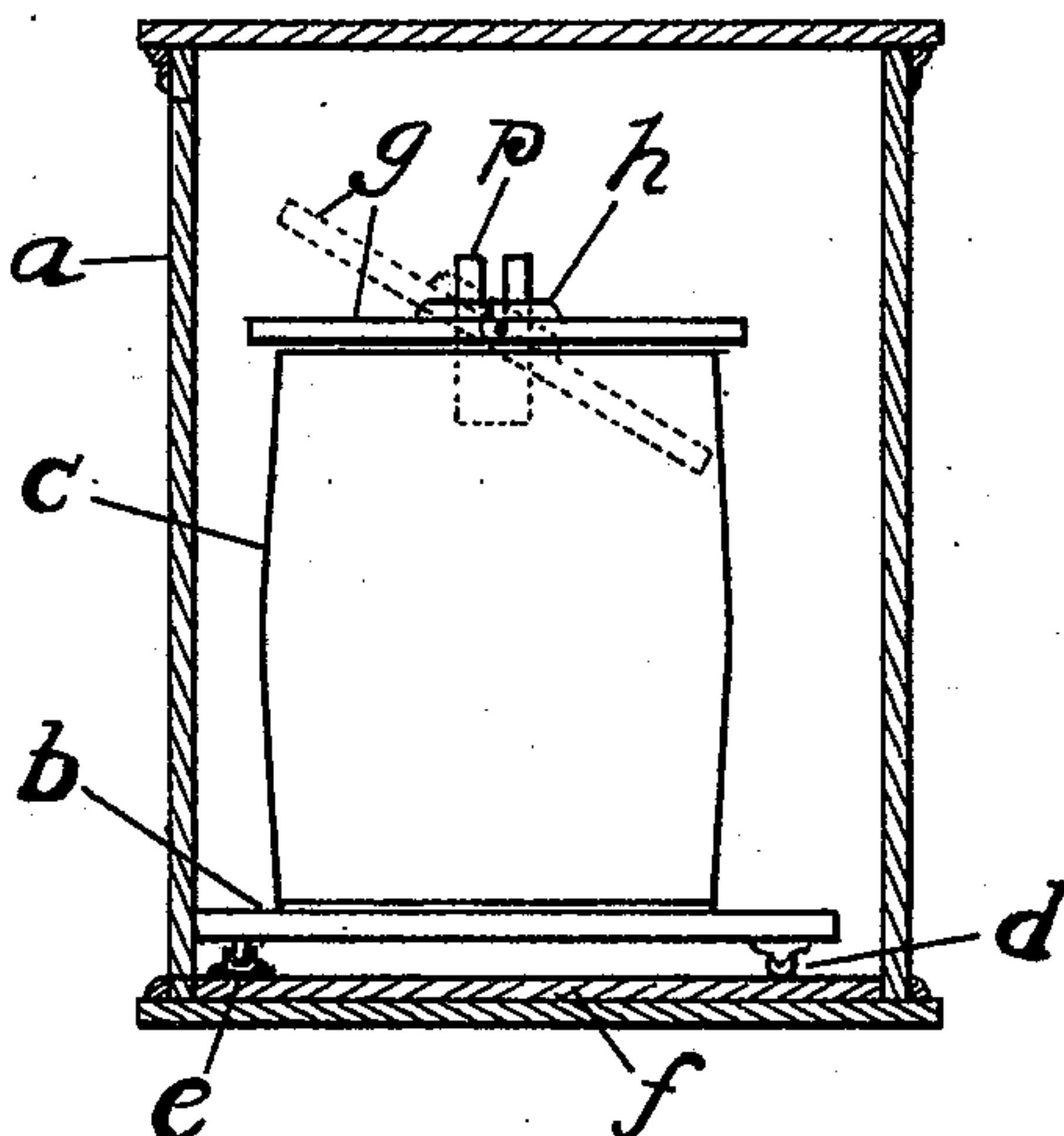
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—Fig. 5—



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## GROCER'S CABINET.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ROBERT H. WHITTED, a citizen of the United States, residing at Crawfordsville, in the county of Montgomery and State of Indiana, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Grocers' Cabinets, of which the following is a specification, reference being made to the accompanying drawings.

10 Figure 1 is a perspective view of my cabinet when closed. Fig. 2 is a plan of the same with the top removed. Fig. 3 is a detail drawing of a portion of my device on a larger scale than is shown in the other drawings. 15 Figs. 4 and 5 are vertical cross-sections of my cabinet, the cutting planes being at right angles to each other and parallel to the sides of the cabinet.

I am aware that my grocer's cabinet, as 20 shown in Fig. 1, does not differ materially in its exterior appearance and construction from cabinets used for various purposes, being made of wood in panels and having a door *a*, of which the upper panel is glass; but my invention consists of the peculiar, convenient, 25 and novel arrangement of the interior. The interior has a quadrant shelf *b*, rigidly fixed to the inner face of the door *a* near its bottom and adapted to swing open and shut with 30 the door. This shelf is adapted to receive an open-topped jar, keg, or other vessel *c*, containing for sale goods requiring to be inclosed and covered for protection.

The shelf *b* is supported near the ends of 35 its curved side by rollers *d* and *e* to relieve the strain on the hinges of the door *a* and to facilitate rapidity and ease of swinging the shelf *b* and vessel *c* out and in when serving a customer.

40 The roller *e*, next to the door *a*, bears upward against the under surface of the shelf *b*, while the roller *d* bears downward against the upper surface of the floor *f* of the cabinet.

The cover *g* of the vessel *c* is so devised

that it does not swing out of its position in 45 the cabinet as the vessel *c* is swung out, but is suspended on U-shaped cleats *p p* by horizontal pivots *k k*, having their axes in one and the same straight line, passing eccentrically through the cover *g*. The axis-line of 50 the pivots is parallel to two edges of the cover *g* and is so placed that the rear part of the cover is the heavier, which causes the cover to assume the inclined position shown by the dotted lines in Figs. 3 and 5 when the vessel 55 *c* is swung from under it. The cover *g* is stopped at the desired incline and limited in motion to the angle formed by the crossing of the dotted lines *l m* and *n o* by the stops 60 *i i*, fixed rigidly into cleats *h h*, fastened to the upper surface of the cover *g* and revolving about the pivots *k k* as a center. These stops are limited in movement by the inner edges of the U-shaped cleats *p p*. When the vessel *c* is swung back into position again, 65 the upper rear edge thereof strikes against the under face of the lower part of the cover *g* and forces it to assume a horizontal position, in which position it covers the vessel *c*.

Having described my invention, what I 70 claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

In a grocer's cabinet, the combination consisting of the door *a* having a quadrant shelf 75 *b* rigidly fixed to the inner side thereof; rollers *d* and *e* supporting and facilitating the swinging of the shelf *b* out and in; the tilting cover *g*, standing normally in an inclined position and adapted to automatically assume 80 a horizontal position as cover of a vessel *c* swung underneath thereof when standing upon the swinging shelf *b*; and the parts *k*, *l*, *p* and *h*; all used in combination and substantially as, and for the purposes set forth.

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