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Fig. 1

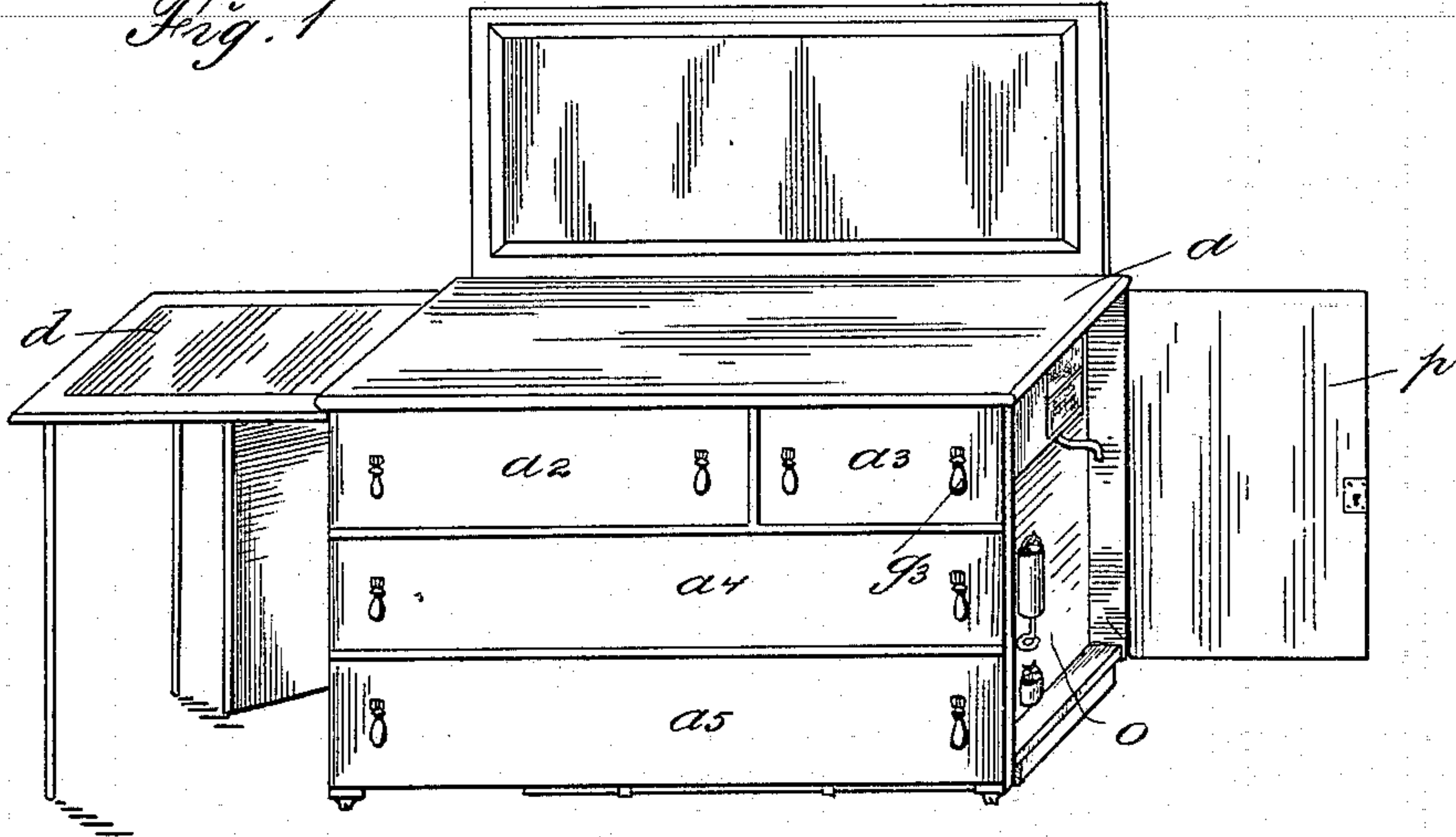


Fig. 2

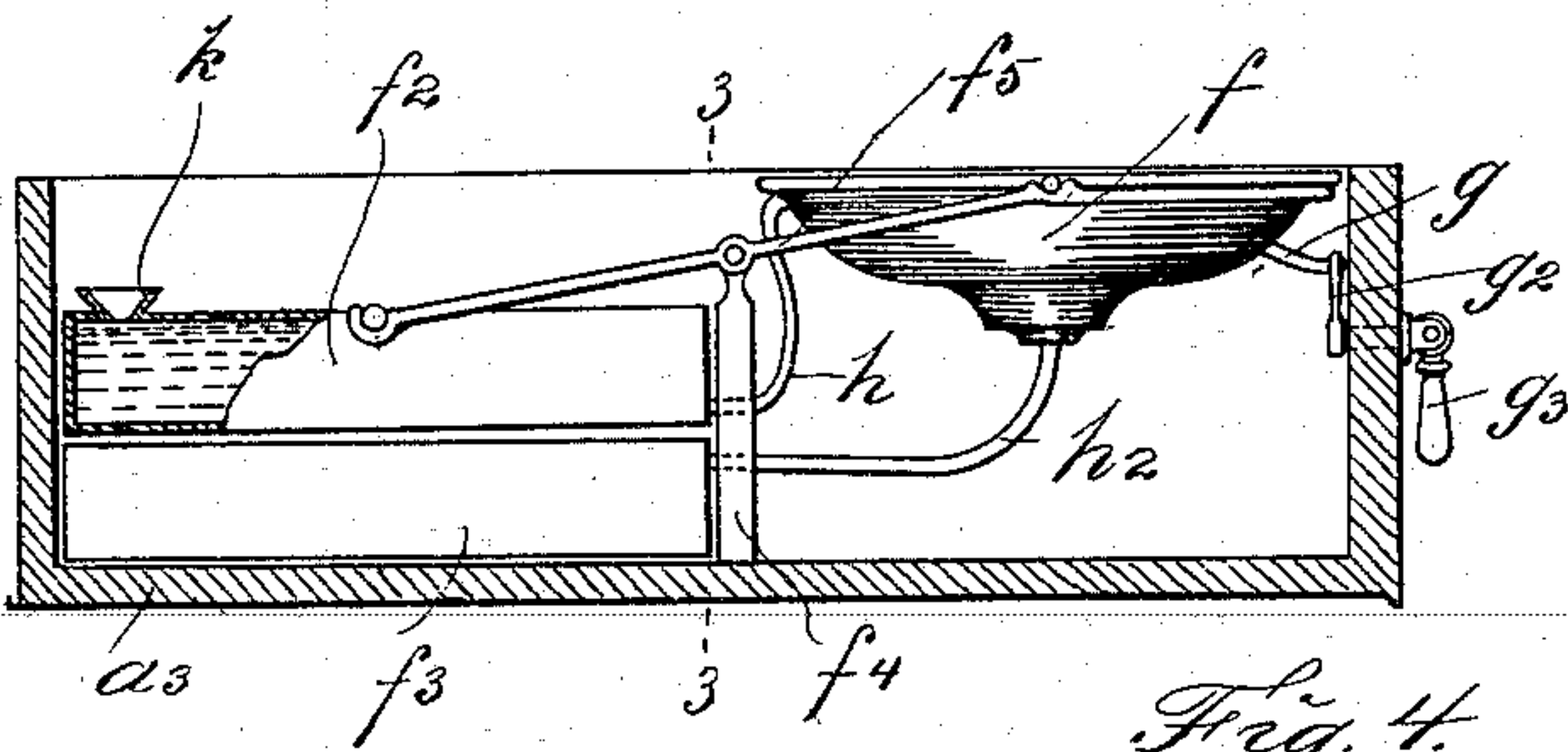


Fig. 3

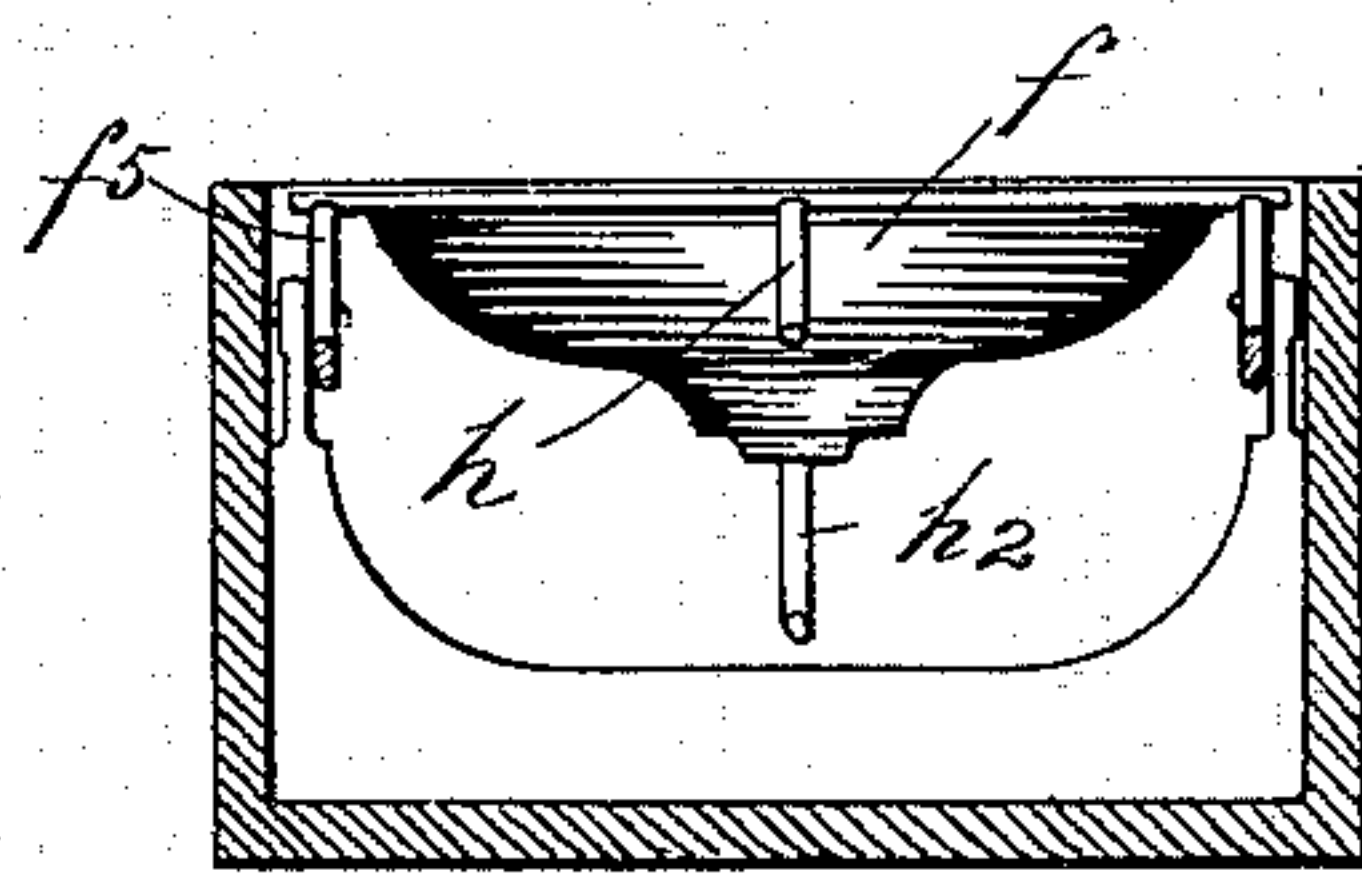
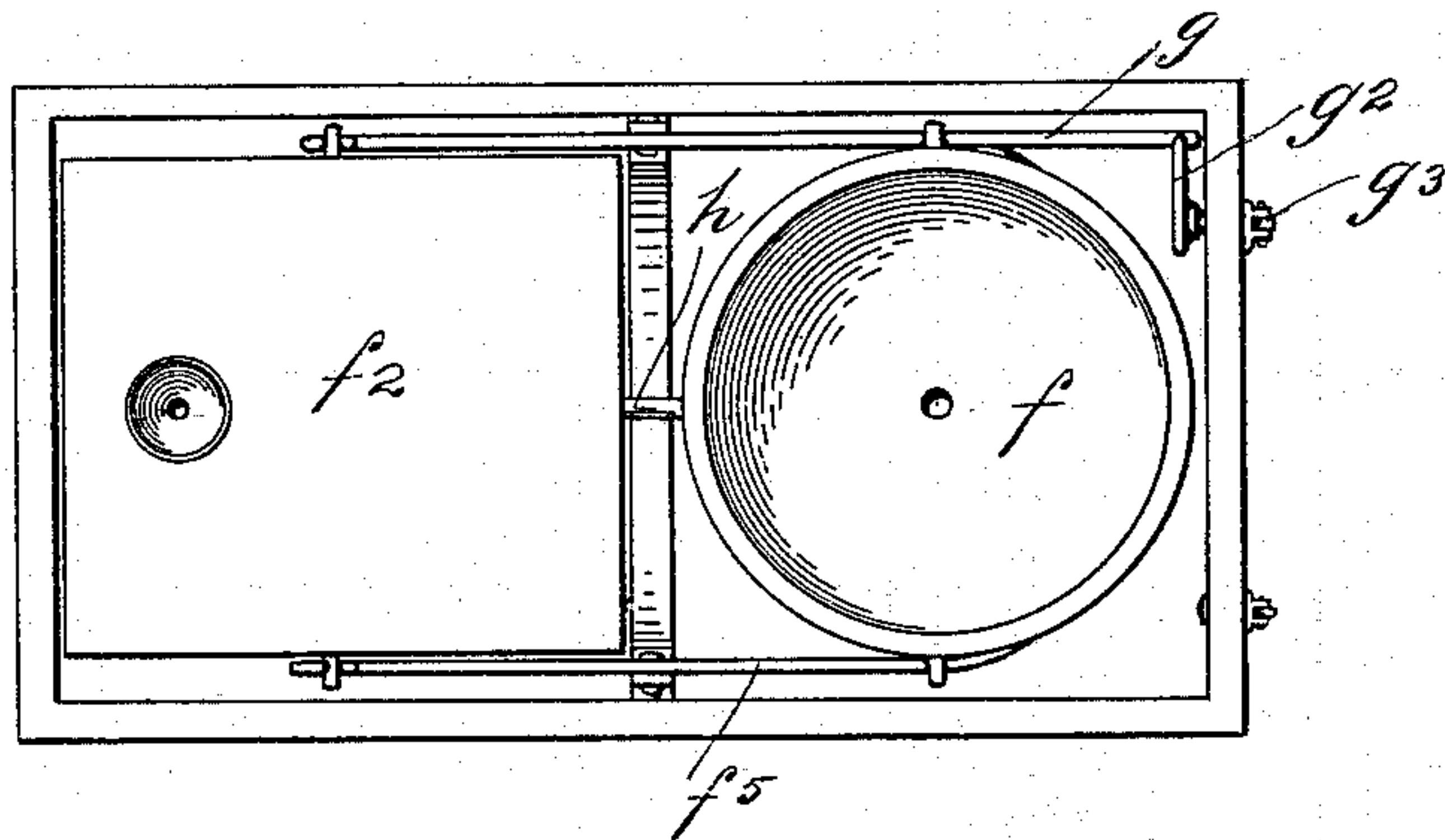


Fig. 4



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COMBINATION-DRESSER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWIN L. ROBERTSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Mobile, in the county of Mobile and State of Alabama, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combination-Dressers, of which the following is a full and complete specification, such as will enable those skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to a dresser, and more particularly to that class thereof which is designed to be so constructed and arranged as to economize space and promote the comfort of the occupant of a room in which said dresser is designed to be placed.

The object of the invention is to provide a dresser of the above-described class which shall be so constructed and arranged as to be susceptible of containing in one piece of furniture many of those articles which are not provided in houses of other than modern construction and which can be converted into an article of furniture which will add to the appearance of a room instead of detracting therefrom.

The invention consists in the novel features of construction hereinafter set forth and described, and more particularly pointed out in the claims hereto appended.

In the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved dresser, showing the various parts in their proper relation. Fig. 2 is a sectional longitudinal view of one drawer thereof. Fig. 3 is an end view of the same, and Fig. 4 a plan view.

In the drawings the letter a denotes a dresser, which is provided with drawers, as a^2 , a^3 , a^4 , and a^5 , and having a closet in the side thereof and a desk d , which is adapted to slide in the upper portion thereof.

The dresser may be provided with a mirror, as shown in Fig. 1, and may be ornamented to suit the taste and circumstances of the user.

The separate drawers of the dresser are adapted for use as in the ordinary dressers, with the exception that the small drawer a^3 is provided with a washbasin f and a supply-tank f^2 and a waste-water tank f^3 , situated therein. At the central point of said drawer

are standards f^4 , in which is pivoted a lever connection f^5 between the washbasin and the supply-tank f^2 . This lever is extended in a loop around the front of said basin and has an arm, as g , projecting from one side thereof, which is attached, by means of a link g^2 , to a revolving handle g^3 of the drawer a^3 . This basin f is connected with the supply and the waste tanks by means of flexible tubular connections h and h^2 , whereby water is supplied to and carried away from said basin. Said supply-tank is also provided with means for supplying water thereto, as by the funnel k .

The operation of my improved combination-dresser is as follows: The drawers as aforesaid are free to receive articles of apparel as in the ordinary construction, and additionally are equipped with such conveniences as are not found in the old-fashioned houses. The supply-tank f^2 is by means of the flexible tubing h and the lever f^5 detachably connected with a water-basin, so that, if desired, it may be detached therefrom and drawn out of the side of said dresser to be filled and then replaced and attached by means of the pivots which are adapted to engage the end of the lever f^5 . When it is designed to fill the basin, it is merely necessary to turn the handle g^3 , which exerts a downward pressure upon the arm g of the lever and lowers the washbasin f , causing a corresponding elevation of the tank k , which results in the transferring of water from said tank to said basin. The basin may then be elevated, and after the water has been used the same may be drawn off by means of the tubing h^2 to the waste-tank f^3 .

By the above-described means the objects of my invention are attained. A combination-dresser is produced which, when not in use, has no abnormal appearances, and which, when unfolded, presents many conveniences which are not supplied in the ordinary houses, and which parts, in coöperation, will supply many articles the deficiency of which will add greatly to the discomfort of the occupant of the room.

It is to be observed that there may be many variations in minor details of construction without departing from the spirit of my invention and which it is not my intention to exclude therefrom.

Having fully described my invention, what I claim, and desire to have protected by Letters Patent, is—

1. The combination with a dresser or other article of furniture, of a basin, a supply-tank and a waste-water tank therefor, and connections between said basin and said supply-tank to cause them to rise and descend alternately, substantially as shown and described.

2. The combination with a dresser or other article of furniture of a basin, a water-supply tank, a waste-water tank, connections between said tanks and said basin, and a pivoted lever attached respectively to said supply-tank and said basin whereby when said basin is depressed, said tank is elevated, substantially as shown and described.

3. In a dresser or other article of furniture, the combination with a drawer, of a wash-

basin, a water-supply and waste-water tank, connections between said basin and said tanks, a pivoted lever attached respectively to said water-supply tank, and said basin, and an arm attached to said lever, a revolving knob, and a connection between said lever and said knob whereby when said basin is depressed said supply-tank is correspondingly elevated, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name, in presence of the subscribing witnesses, this 20th day of August, 1897.

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