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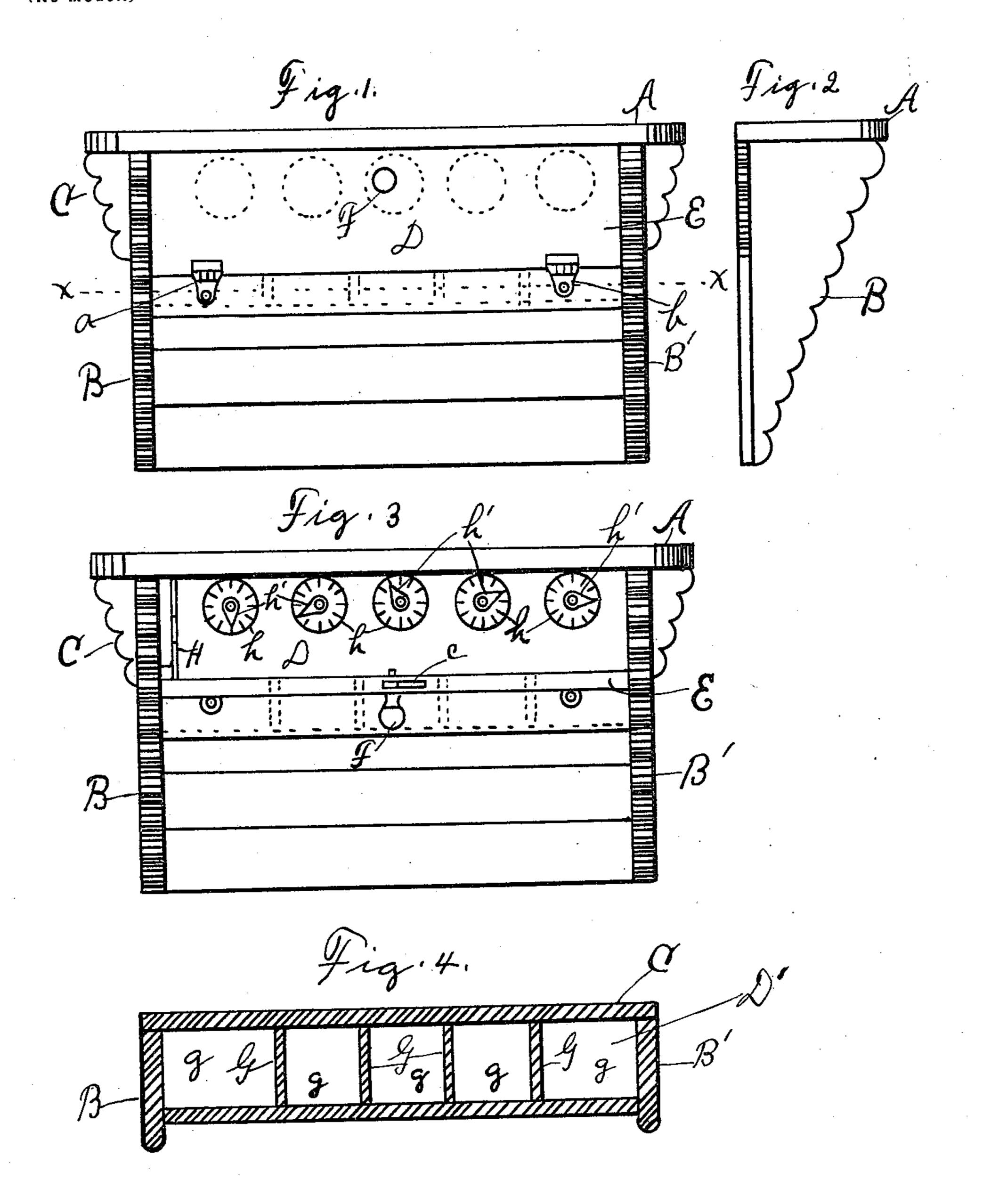
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY M. MINNIS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Wylie, in the county of Collin and State of Texas, have 5 invented certain new and useful Improvements in Medical Clock-Shelves, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a shelf adapted for supporting clocks and provided with apart-10 ments for holding medicine and also provided with dials for indicating purposes; and which consists in the combination of devices hereinafter fully described, and pointed out in the claims.

Reference is had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification.

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the invention. Fig. 2 is a side elevation. Fig. 3 is a 20 open. Fig. 4 is a horizontal section on line x x of Fig. 1.

Similar characters indicate corresponding

parts throughout the several views.

The letter A indicates a shelf mounted on 25 supports BB'. A back C is attached to supports BB'. Shelf A rests on back C. Under shelf A and between supports or uprights B B' are two or more apartments. Apartment D is closed in Fig. 1 and open in Fig. 2. The 30 lid E is hinged to apartment D in any suitable way, as by hinges a and b. The door E may be held closed in any suitable way, as by a bolt F, having a latch c. Apartment D is provided with partitions G, forming a numg ber of pockets or boxes g for holding bottles of medicine. The apartment D' is not closed. Above each box g is a dial h, which is similar to the dials of clocks. Each dial is provided with an indicator h'. The lid E may be held o in a horizontal position by means of a folding hinged bracket H.

The uses of the various parts will be readily understood. The shelf A will hold the clock,

vases, &c. The apartments D and D' will hold bottles and packages and boxes of medi- 45 cine. Indicators on the dials can be set to show when the particular medicine is to be given. The lid E may serve as a shelf when in the position shown in Fig. 3. The dials may be mounted on boards of slate, on which 50 can be written names of medicine.

The shelves may be made as ornamental as desirable and the finish can be made to match furniture or the trimmings of the rooms in which the shelves are to be mounted.

Having fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters

Patent, is—

1. The combination of a shelf for supporting clocks and other articles, supports for said 60 shelf, an apartment divided into pockets and front elevation with the lid to one apartment | held between said supports, a dial provided with an indicator mounted above each pocket in said apartment, and a lid for said apartment provided with a folding bracket where- 65 by said lid is adapted for use as a shelf when the contents of said pockets are to be used.

2. The combination of a shelf for supporting clocks and other articles, supports for said shelf comprising a back and two side pieces, 70 apartments formed between and supported by said supports, the upper apartment being divided into pockets and provided with a lid, a dial provided with an indicator and mounted above each pocket, said lid having a fold- 75 ing bracket whereby said lid is adapted for use as a shelf when the contents of said pockets are to be used.

In testimony whereof I set my hand, in the presence of two witnesses, this 15th day of 80 September, 1897.

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