

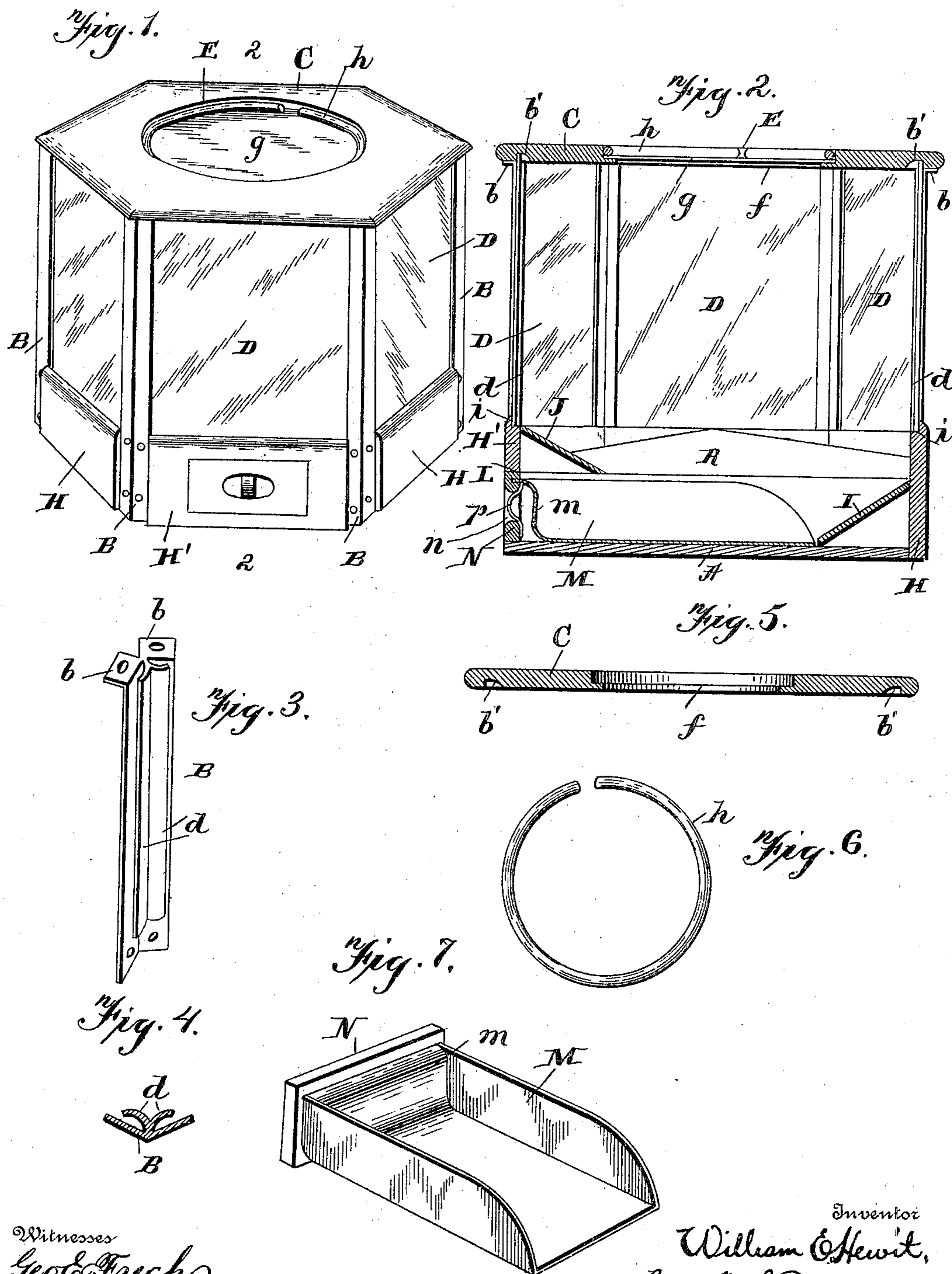
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM E. HEWIT, a citizen of the United States, residing at David City, in the county of Butler and State of Nebraska, have invented new and useful Improvements in Grocers' Cabinets, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in grocers' cabinets, and pertains to a cabinet constructed with a scoop movable within and without the cabinet and adapted to receive a quantity of the material contained within the cabinet, all of which will be fully described hereinafter and particularly referred to in the claims.

Referring now to the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a cabinet which embodies my invention. Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view taken on the line 2 2 of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a detached perspective view of one of the corner-pieces of the cabinet. Fig. 4 is a transverse sectional view thereof. Fig. 5 is a vertical transverse section of the top of the cabinet. Fig. 6 is a detached view of the wire for holding the glass or tin cover for the top in position. Fig. 7 is a detached perspective view of the scoop.

Referring now to the drawings, as represented in Fig. 1 the cabinet is sexangular in cross-section, though it may be provided with any desired number of sides or, indeed, may be round.

A is the bottom of the cabinet, to which the lower ends of the corner-braces B are attached, the upper ends of these corner-braces being provided with outwardly-projecting lips *b*, which are screwed to the under side of the top C of the cabinet. The inner edges of these corner-pieces B are provided with inwardly-extending curved flanges *d*, forming vertical grooves for the reception of the glasses D, which are slipped within the grooves and there held, as will be readily understood. The top C is provided at its underside with the notches or grooves *b'*, which receive the upper ends of the glasses D, and this top is provided with an inlet-opening E, through which the cabinet is filled. This opening is provided with a flange *f*, adapted to support a glass or other cover *g*, and this glass or cover is held in po-

sition through the medium of an expanding ring *h*, as clearly shown in Fig. 5.

At the lower end of the corner-pieces B and sliding between them within the grooves of the corner-pieces are the combined panels and braces H, which are screwed to the corner-pieces and serve to brace them in position. These panels are outside of the bottom A of the cabinet, as shown, and serve to brace the lower ends of the corner-pieces and also to make a finish to the cabinet. The upper edges of these panels are cut away at their inner sides, as shown in Fig. 2, to form an L-shaped recess *i*, which receives the lower ends of the glasses D, as clearly illustrated and as will be readily understood.

The lower portion of the cabinet, which is formed by the panels H, is provided at its rear side with an inwardly-declined board I, which extends down to the bottom A of the cabinet. At the opposite side of the cabinet is a declined board J, which has its upper end at the top of the panels and extends inwardly and downwardly at the opposite inclination to the board I and stops at a point on a parallel line with the top of the board I, as clearly illustrated in Fig. 2. One of the panels H' is provided with an opening L, through which a scoop M is adapted to pass within the cabinet through the said opening L. This scoop has its outer end curved upward to form a backing therefor, as shown at *m*, and is connected in any desired manner to its end N. This end piece N is provided with an opening *n*, and spanning this opening *n* is an outwardly-curved finger-piece *p*, by means of which the scoop is drawn from the casing and placed in position therein and handled when removed therefrom. Owing to the shape of the back *m* of the scoop sufficient room is provided for the finger around the finger-piece *p*, as will be readily understood. The bottom portion of the cabinet, formed by the panels H, is also provided with inclined boards R, extending at right angles to the board J, and also begins at the top of the panels and ends in a plane about parallel with the upper end of the board I. The object of these boards R is to direct the contents of the cabinet into the funnel. The in-

clination of the boards J and R is such as to prevent sufficient downward flow of the material within the cabinet as to permit it to pass out of the opening L when the scoop is withdrawn.

5 A cabinet of this character is adapted to receive candy, sugar, or cereals of any kind and adapted to have removed therefrom a given quantity of the contents, according to
10 the size of the scoop M. The scoop is capable of being readily inserted and withdrawn from the cabinet and each time takes from the cabinet a certain quantity of its contents, as before stated.

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

20 1. A cabinet comprising a bottom, vertical standards forming corner-pieces having vertical grooves at their inner sides and outwardly-extending ears at their upper ends,

the lower ends of the standards attached to the bottom, the sides D situated within the said grooves, and the top secured to the standards through the medium of the said standard-ears, substantially as described. 25

2. In a cabinet, having at its lower end a scoop-opening, a scoop having an end piece, the scoop portion having a rear wall at a point inside of the end piece to form a space
30 between it and the end piece, the end piece having a finger-opening, and an outwardly-curved transverse finger-piece spanning the said end-piece opening, substantially as and for the purpose described. 35

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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