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FIG. 1

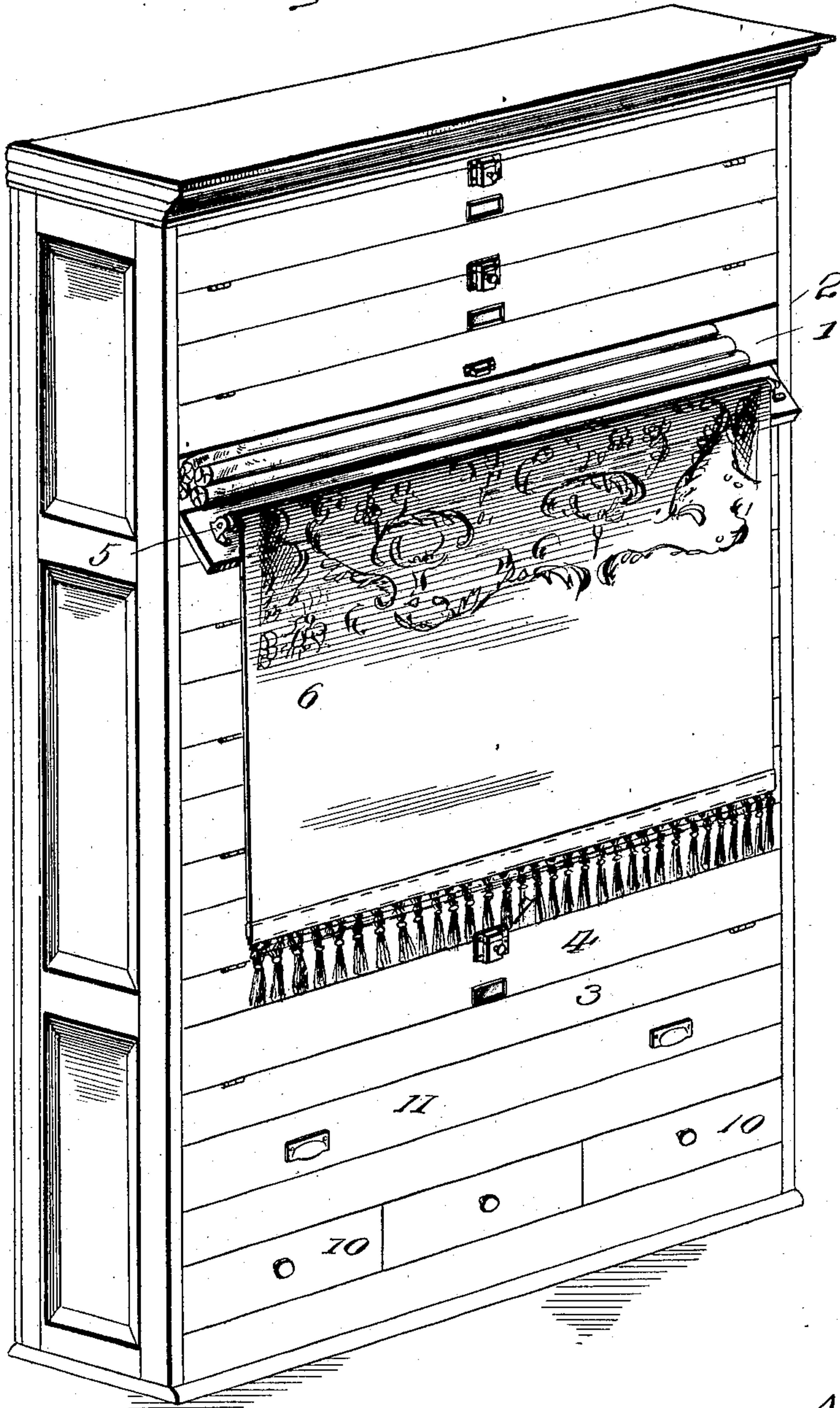
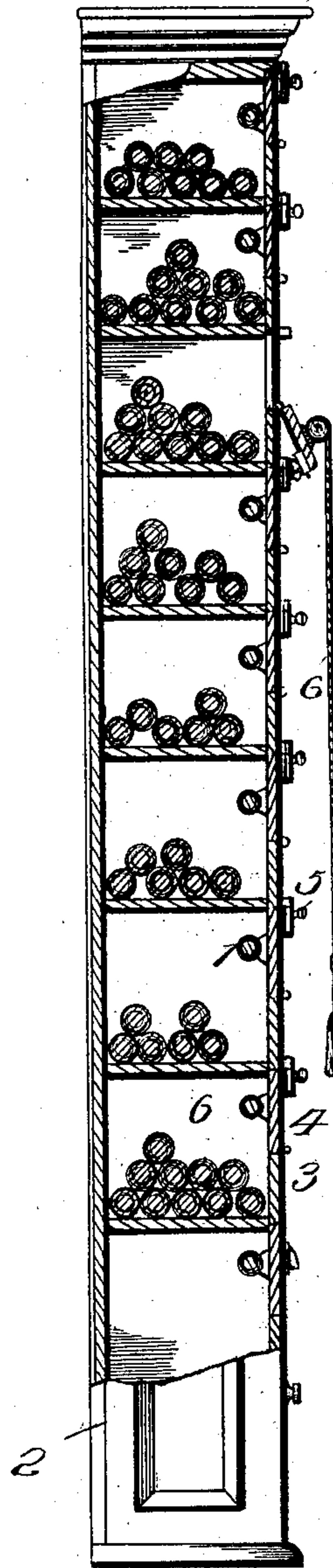


FIG. 2



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## WINDOW-SHADE CABINET.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ALBERT E. KRETSCHMER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Lebanon, in the county of Smith and State of Kansas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Window-Shade Cabinets, of which the following is a specification.

This invention provides a novel form of cabinet of special construction, so as to be particularly adapted for holding window-shades.

The cabinet comprises a plurality of compartments adapted to contain a number of shades of like design. Each compartment is provided with a door to which is secured a single shade, which is adapted to be displayed upon opening of the door to those who are desirous of selecting a certain design of shade.

The special advantage found in the use of the cabinet as embodied in my invention is in the provision of separate compartments to receive the different designs of shades. The construction of the compartment facilitates the selection of a shade of suitable design by a purchaser, and owing to the fact that the compartments are utilized to store a number of shades of the design of the one carried by the door of each compartment it will be readily seen that when a certain number of shades are sold they may be quickly secured without the delay occasioned by the mixing of shades of different designs.

For a full description of the invention and the merits thereof and also to acquire a knowledge of the details of construction of the means for effecting the result reference is to be had to the following description and drawings hereto attached.

While the essential and characteristic features of the invention are susceptible of modification, still the preferred embodiment of the invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a cabinet embodying the invention, showing the door of one of the compartments open. Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view through a cabinet.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to in the following description and indicated

in both views of the drawings by the same reference characters.

The cabinet, as before mentioned, consists of a plurality of compartments, the number of which may be varied according to the number of designs of shades which it is desired to place within the cabinet. The compartments are designated 1 in the drawings, the sides 2 of the cabinet closing the ends of the compartments, as will be readily seen. It is designed that the cabinet be of any ornamental appearance, this depending on the desires of the manufacturer, and as far as the utility of the invention is concerned the same may be constructed in different styles. The front of each compartment is closed by a rigid section 3, which extends partially the height of the compartment. The doors 4 of the compartments are hingedly secured to the rigid sections 3, and each of the said doors is provided upon its inner sides with supporting-brackets 5, in which the shades 6 are mounted. The shades secured in the brackets 5 are the sample shades to be unrolled upon opening of the door of the compartment to display the design of the shade to a prospective purchaser. Held within the compartment by the rigid section 3 thereof is the stock of shades, which may be as large as limited only by the size of the compartment. The shades within the compartment will of course be of the design of the sample shade carried by the brackets from the inner sides of the door of the compartment.

Any suitable means may be used for locking the doors 4 in closed position, the common form of latch 7 being illustrated.

It is contemplated that each compartment be provided with indicating means, such as a card or the like, by which the different styles of shades may be designated.

The drawers 10 at the lower portion of the cabinet are designed to receive the fixtures for hanging the shades, and the drawer 11 receives the sticks to be placed at the lower ends of the shades when hung.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is—

1. A cabinet comprising a plurality of com-

partments, rigid confining-sections partially closing the fronts of the respective compartments, doors hingedly secured so as to completely close the fronts of the compartments, 5 and supporting-brackets carried by the said doors for holding shades.

2. A cabinet for window-shades comprising a plurality of compartments, rigid confining-sections partially closing the fronts of the respective compartments, doors hingedly secured to the confining-sections, and supporting-brackets disposed upon the inner sides of the doors. 10

3. In a cabinet, the combination with a plu-

rality of compartments, rigid confining-sections partially closing the fronts of the respective compartments, doors hingedly secured to the confining-sections adapted to swing downwardly when opened, shade-supporting brackets disposed upon the inner sides 20 of the doors, and means for securing the doors in closed position.

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

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