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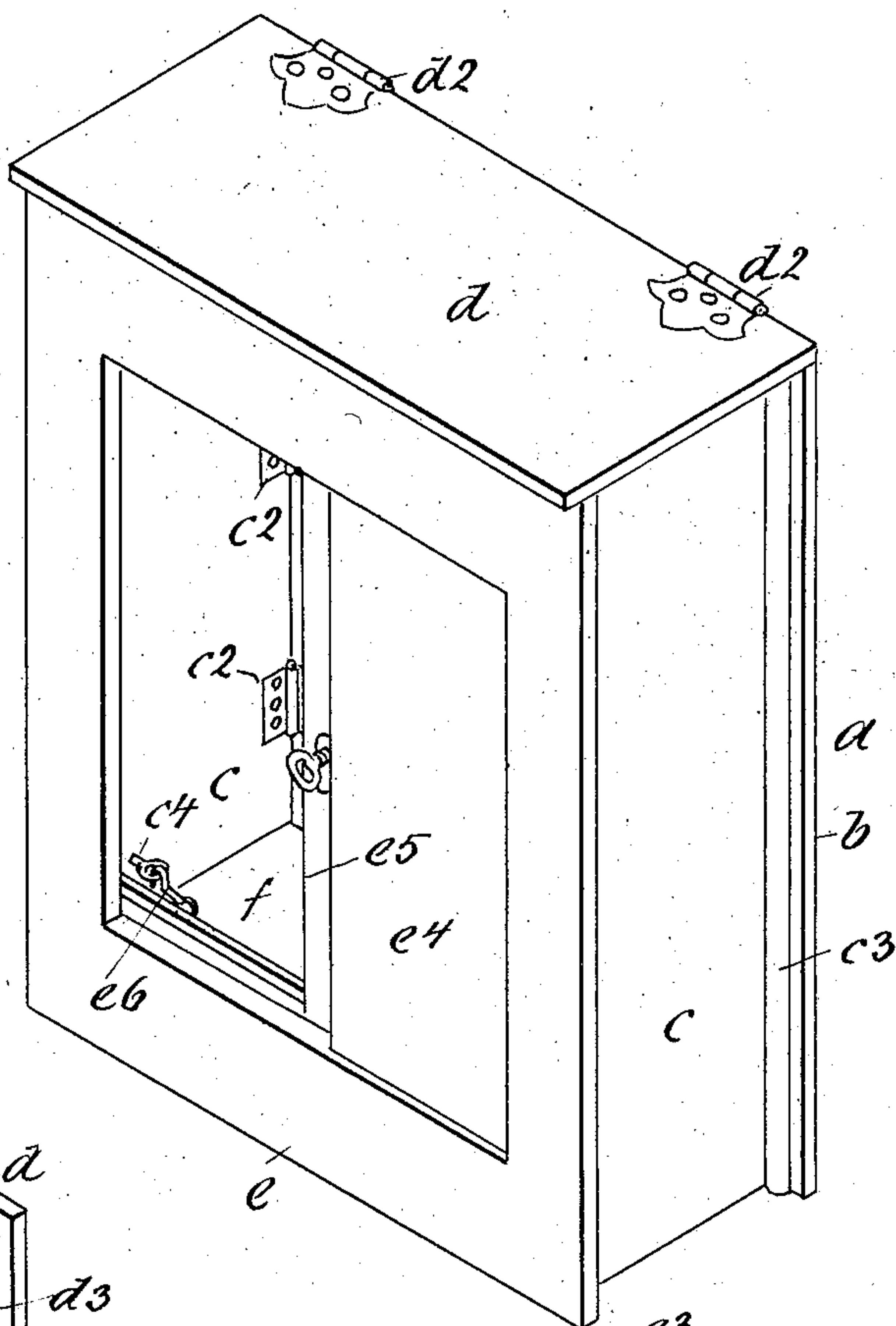


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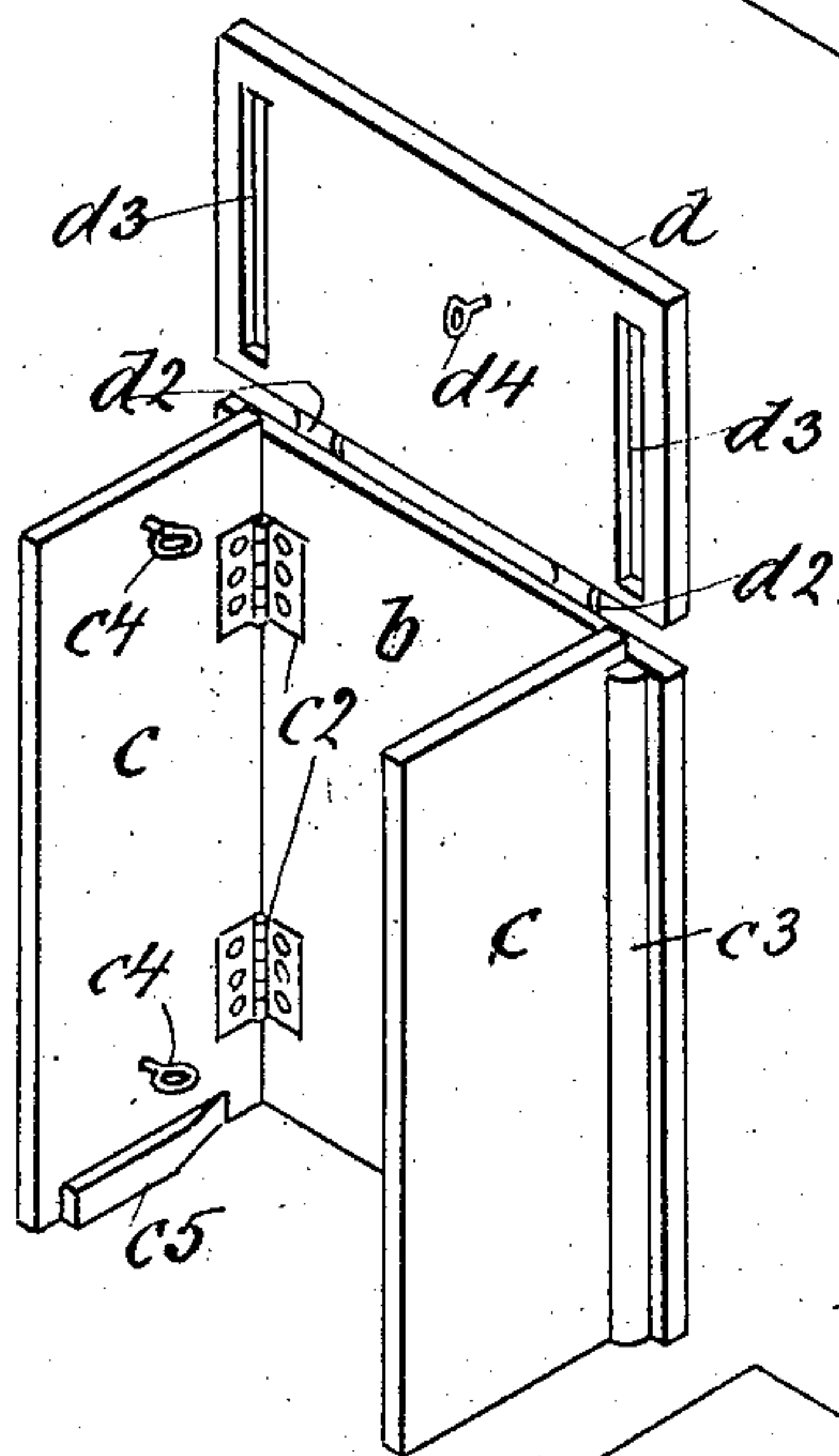
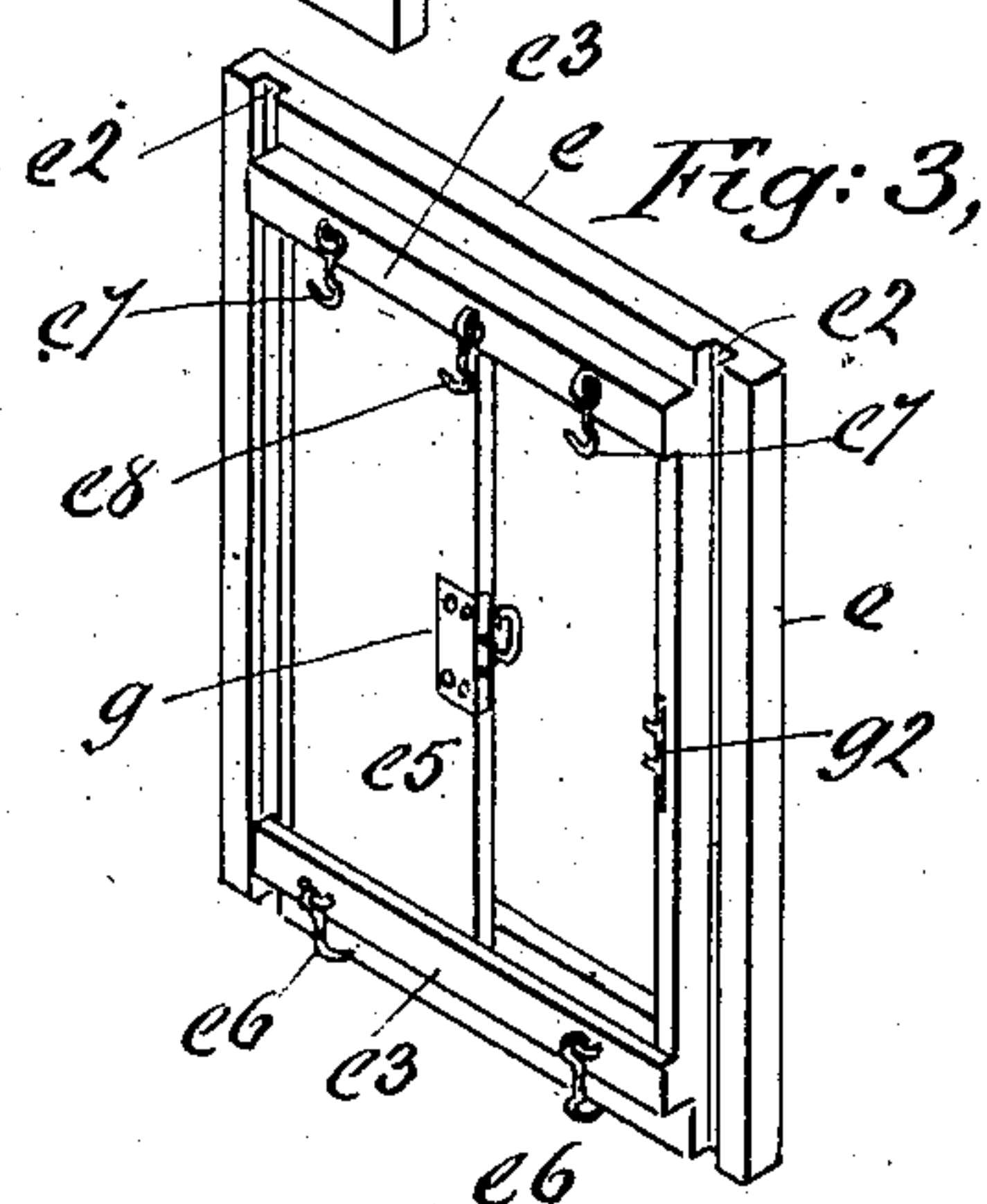


Fig: 4



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, MAURICE DAMATO, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Knockdown Wardrobes, of which the following is a specification, such as will enable those skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to wardrobes; and the object thereof is to provide an improved device of this class composed of separate parts connected in such manner that they may be folded together in a compact form convenient for shipment or for being moved about from place to place and extended and set up for use in the form of an ordinary wardrobe whenever desired; and with this and other objects in view the invention consists in a device of the class specified constructed as hereinafter described and claimed.

The invention is fully disclosed in the following specification, of which the accompanying drawings form a part, in which the separate parts of my improvement are designated by suitable reference characters in each of the views, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved wardrobe set up for use; Fig. 2, a similar view showing the back, top, and sides only and showing the top in a raised position; Fig. 3, an inner perspective view of the detachable front part of the wardrobe, and Fig. 4 a perspective view of the bottom of the wardrobe.

In the accompanying drawings, Figs. 2, 3, and 4 are on a smaller scale than Fig. 1.

In the practice of my invention I provide a wardrobe *a*, comprising a back member *b*, sides *c*, a top *d*, a front *e*, and a bottom *f*. The top *d* is hinged to the back *b*, as shown at *d*<sup>2</sup>, and is adapted to be folded over and backwardly flush with the back. The top *d* is also provided adjacent to each end with a transverse groove or recess *d*<sup>3</sup> and centrally of the length thereof and at a predetermined distance from the front edge thereof with an eye, ring, or similar device *d*<sup>4</sup>. The sides *c* are hinged to the back *b*, as shown at *c*<sup>2</sup>, and are adapted to be folded inwardly against the back, and said back is provided with strips *c*<sup>3</sup>, against which the sides strike or

abut when they are opened, as shown in Fig. 2, and the top ends of the sides *c* when the parts of the wardrobe are in position for use fit in the grooves or recesses *d*<sup>3</sup> in the top *d*. The sides *c* are also provided adjacent to the top and bottom thereof and on the inner side thereof with eyes, rings, or similar devices *c*<sup>4</sup>, and secured to the bottom portion of the sides *c* are cleats *c*<sup>5</sup>, adapted to support the removable bottom *f*.

The front *e* is provided on its inner side and adjacent to the opposite side edges thereof with vertical grooves or recesses *e*<sup>2</sup>, in which the front edges of the sides *c* fit when the device is set up for use, and said front is provided at the top and bottom thereof or adjacent to the top and bottom thereof with transversely-arranged keepers *e*<sup>3</sup>, in which is secured a stationary panel *e*<sup>4</sup> and a sliding door *e*<sup>5</sup>.

The keeper *e*<sup>3</sup> at the bottom of the front is provided with hooks *e*<sup>6</sup>, which are adapted to engage the eyes or rings *c*<sup>4</sup> on the sides *c*, near the bottom thereof, and the keeper *e*<sup>3</sup> at the top of the front *e* is provided adjacent to its opposite ends with hooks *e*<sup>7</sup>, adapted to engage the eyes or rings *c*<sup>4</sup> at the top of the sides *c*, and said keeper is also provided with a centrally-arranged hook *e*<sup>8</sup>, adapted to engage the eye or ring *d*<sup>4</sup>, which is secured to the top *d*.

The door *e*<sup>5</sup> is provided with a lock comprising separate parts *g* and *g*<sup>2</sup>, secured, respectively, to said door and to the framework in which it is mounted, and in practice whenever it is desired to set the wardrobe up for use the top *d* is raised, the sides *c* are opened into the position shown in Fig. 2, the top *d* is lowered onto said sides, the bottom *f* is placed in position on the cleats *c*<sup>5</sup>, and the front *e* is set in position in such manner that the front edges of the sides *c* enter the longitudinal grooves or recesses *e*<sup>2</sup> in said front. By inserting the hand through the open door the hooks *e*<sup>6</sup> may be engaged with the eyes or rings *c*<sup>4</sup> at the bottom of the sides *c*, the hooks *e*<sup>7</sup> may be engaged with the eyes or rings *c*<sup>4</sup> at the top of said sides, and the hook *e*<sup>8</sup> may be engaged with the eye or ring *d*<sup>4</sup>, secured to the top *d*, and this securely locks all the parts of the wardrobe in position, and said wardrobe is ready for use.

When it is desired to "knock down" the wardrobe or fold the parts for package or



shipment, the above-described operation is reversed. The hooks  $e^6$ ,  $e^7$ , and  $e^8$  are disconnected from their respective eyes or rings, the front  $e$  is removed, together with the  
5 bottom  $f$ , the top  $d$  is raised and folded backwardly, and the sides  $c$  are folded inwardly. The bottom  $f$  is placed in the open space back of the panel  $e^4$  in the front  $e$ , which is occupied by the door  $e^5$  when the latter is open,  
10 and the front  $e$  is placed on the folded sides  $c$ , and the separate parts of the device when folded in this manner may be tied together and wrapped up, if desired, for shipment or transportation from one point to another.

15 My improved wardrobe is simple in construction and operation and is particularly designed for use in flats, apartments, or similar dwelling places where there is not much room and where the necessity for moving is  
20 frequent, and by employing a sliding door I also economize space.

Having fully described my invention, what

I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A knockdown wardrobe comprising a back, 25 sides hinged to the back and of greater vertical length than said back, a top hinged to the back and provided with transverse grooves adapted to receive the tops of the sides, means for securing the top to the sides, a detachable front having grooves adapted to receive the front edges of the sides, and means  
30 for securing the front to the sides and the top when the parts are set up for use as a wardrobe, said front being also provided with a door. 35

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name, in presence of the subscribing witnesses, this 1st day of May, 1906.

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