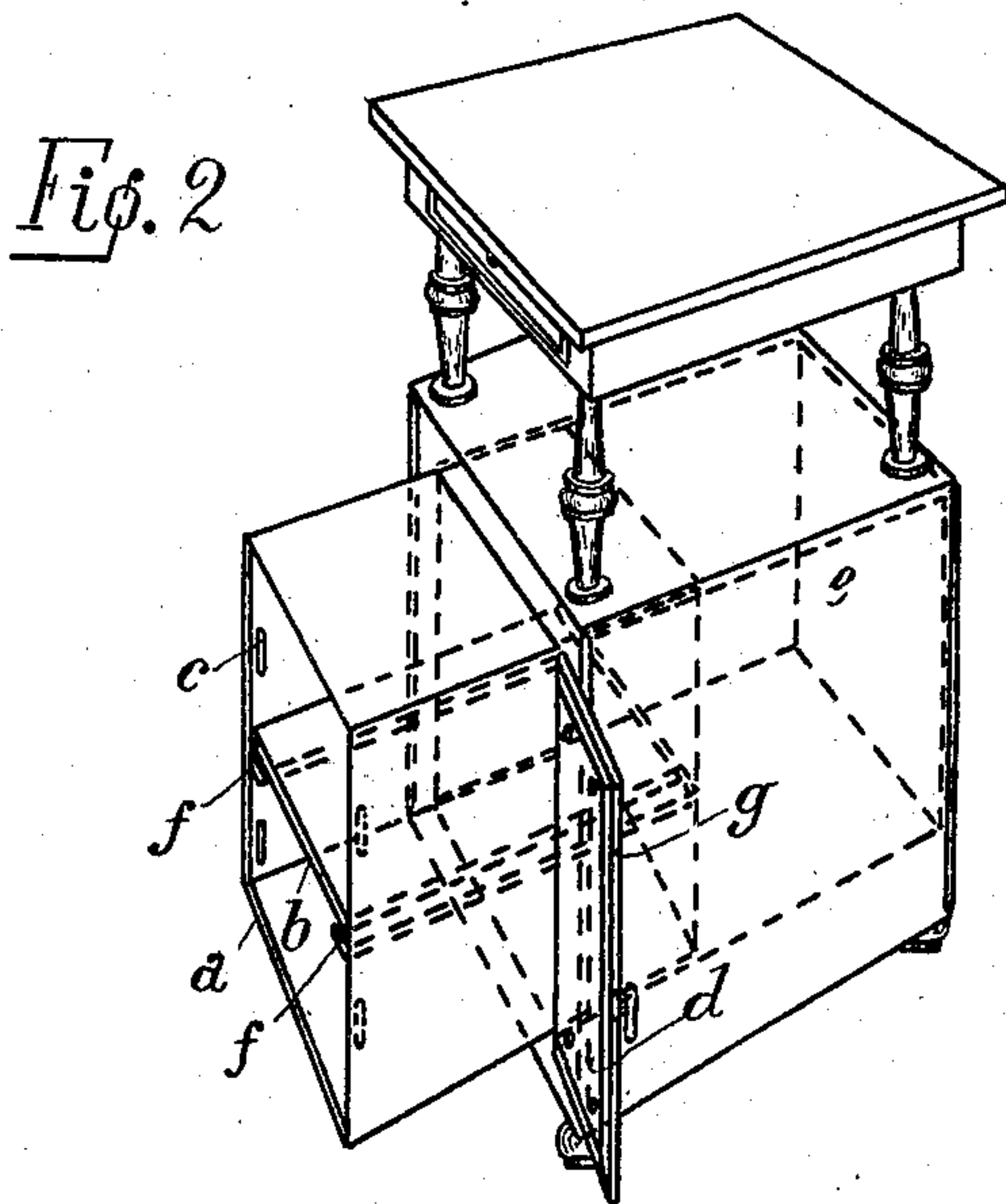
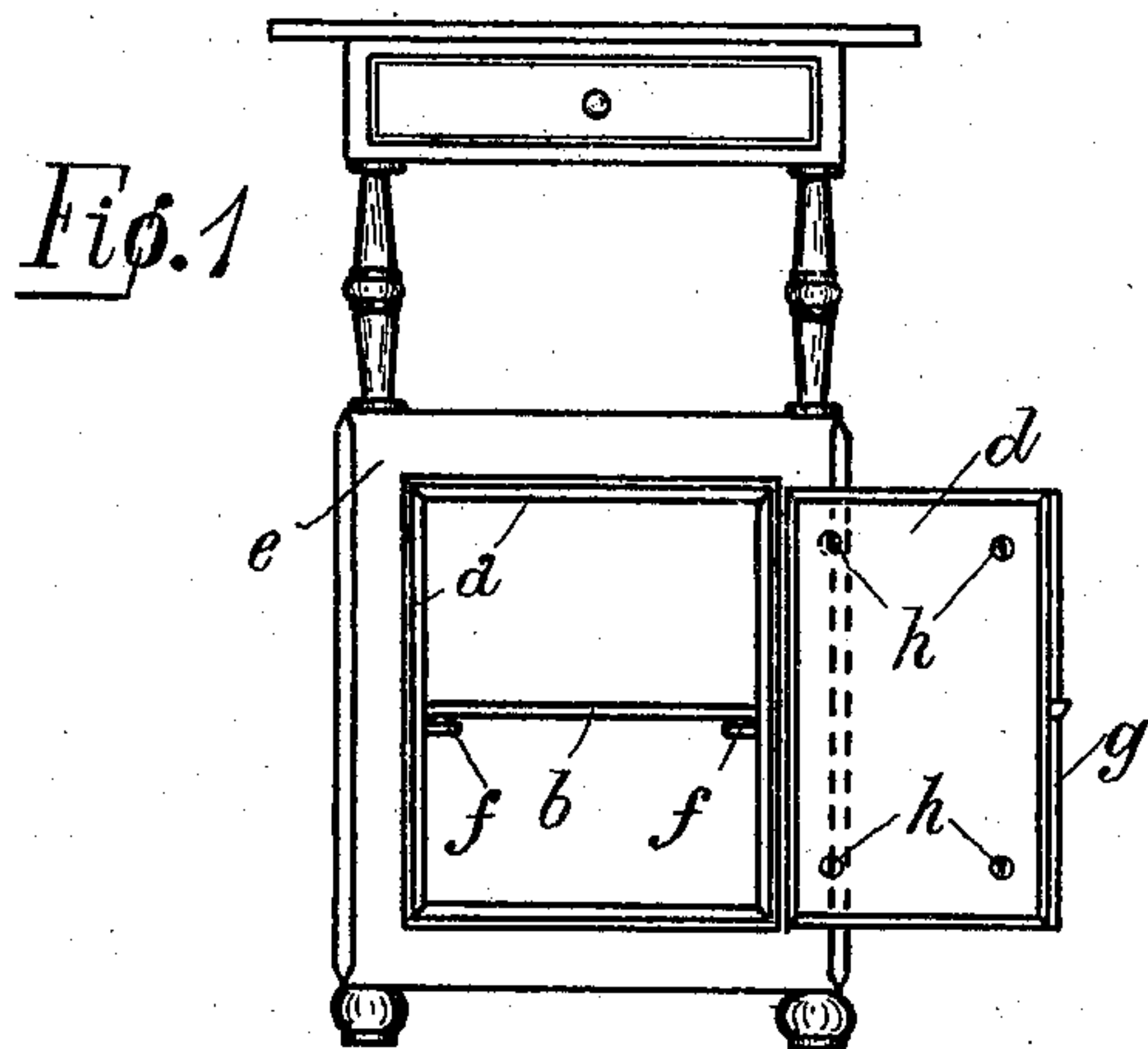


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, MAGDALENE BORCKE-STARGORDT, a citizen of the Empire of Germany, residing at Stargordt, near Regenwalde, Pomerania, in the Empire of Germany, have invented a new and useful Night-Stand, of which the following is a specification.

Ordinary wooden night-stands are objectionable for the reason, that their wood absorbs all the vapors and gases arising from the excrements or the urine in the chamber-pots and emits an unpleasant, bad or offensive smell, more particularly on opening the door, no matter whether the night-stand be empty or not. Even when taking every precaution, this evil cannot be avoided, since during the night the wood will readily absorb the fresh vapors and gases.

My invention relates to improvements in night-stands, whereby the wood is prevented from absorbing the vapors and gases; and the objects of my improvement are, first, to provide a removable case of impermeable material, which can be introduced into the night-stand through the front-door and withdrawn at will and is arranged for receiving the chamber pots; and second to provide a protecting plate of the same impermeable material on the inside of the front-door for closing the removable case.

I attain these objects by the arrangement illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is an elevation of an opened night-stand provided with the removable case and the protecting plate on the door, and Fig. 2 is a perspective-view of the same, the removable case being partly withdrawn.

Similar letters of reference refer to similar parts in both views.

According to my invention a wooden night-stand of any known and approved construction, but without any shelves is so arranged, that a portable or removable case *a* can be easily introduced into its cavity. The case *a* is made of any suitable material impermeable to the vapor and gases from the excrements and the urine. This material may be glass, porcelain, earthenware, enameled sheet metal or the like. The case *a* may be provided with a shelf *b* which rests on suitable ledges *f f* or other supports the same as in an ordinary night-stand. A protecting plate *d* of impermeable material is secured on the inside of the door *g* in any suitable manner, for example by means of wood-screens *h h*. The removable case *a* is preferably made so long, that it snugly fits into the night-stand and bears against the rear wall of the latter and against the rear face of the door *g*. The front edges of the case *a* may be beveled off towards the interior and the edges of the protecting plate *d* may be equally beveled off, so as to snugly fit on the beveled front edges of the case *a* and to leave practically no clearance, through which the vapors and gases arising from

the excrements or urine in the chamber-pots might escape: For the withdrawal the removable case *a* may be provided with recesses *c c* as shown, in which one's fingers can engage, or the case *a* may be provided with folding handles of any known and approved construction.

During the day the removable case *a* may either be left in the night-stand or stored in another place, so that for the night it can be introduced into the night-stand. After putting in the chamber-pots the door *g* is closed, when the night-stand is ready for use. Each time, when either chamber-pot has been taken out, used and replaced, the door *g* is again closed, to prevent the wood of the night-stand from absorbing the vapors or gases.

The removable case *a* and the protecting plate *d* may be varied without deviating from the spirit of my invention. The front edges of the case *a* may be left even and the protecting plate *d* may be made so large, as to cover these front edges. Or the plate *d* may be only so large as to snugly fit into the case *a*. Where so preferred, both parts *a* and *d* may be so made as to leave between them but a small clearance. Instead of the single shelf *b* several shelves may be disposed in the removable case *a*. Any present night-stand may be provided with a removable case *a* and a protecting table *d* according to my invention.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:

1. The combination with a wooden night-stand having a front-door, of a removable case open at the front and made of material impermeable to the vapor and gases from the excrements or urine and adapted to receive chamber-pots, and a protecting plate of similar impermeable material secured on the inside of the door and adapted to close said removable case.

2. The combination with a wooden night-stand having a space and a front door, of a removable case open at the front and made to snugly fit in said space between the rear wall and the front door and adapted to receive chamber-pots, and a protecting plate secured on the inside of the front door and adapted to close said removable case, said removable case and said protecting plate being made of material impermeable to the vapors and gases from the excrements or urine in the chamber-pots.

3. A removable case open at the front and adapted to receive chamber-pots and to snugly fit into a present night-stand between its rear-wall and its front door, in combination with a protecting plate adapted to be secured on the inside of the front door and to snugly close said removable case, both said removable case and said protecting plate being made of a material impermeable to the vapors and gases from the excrements or urine in the chamber-pots.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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