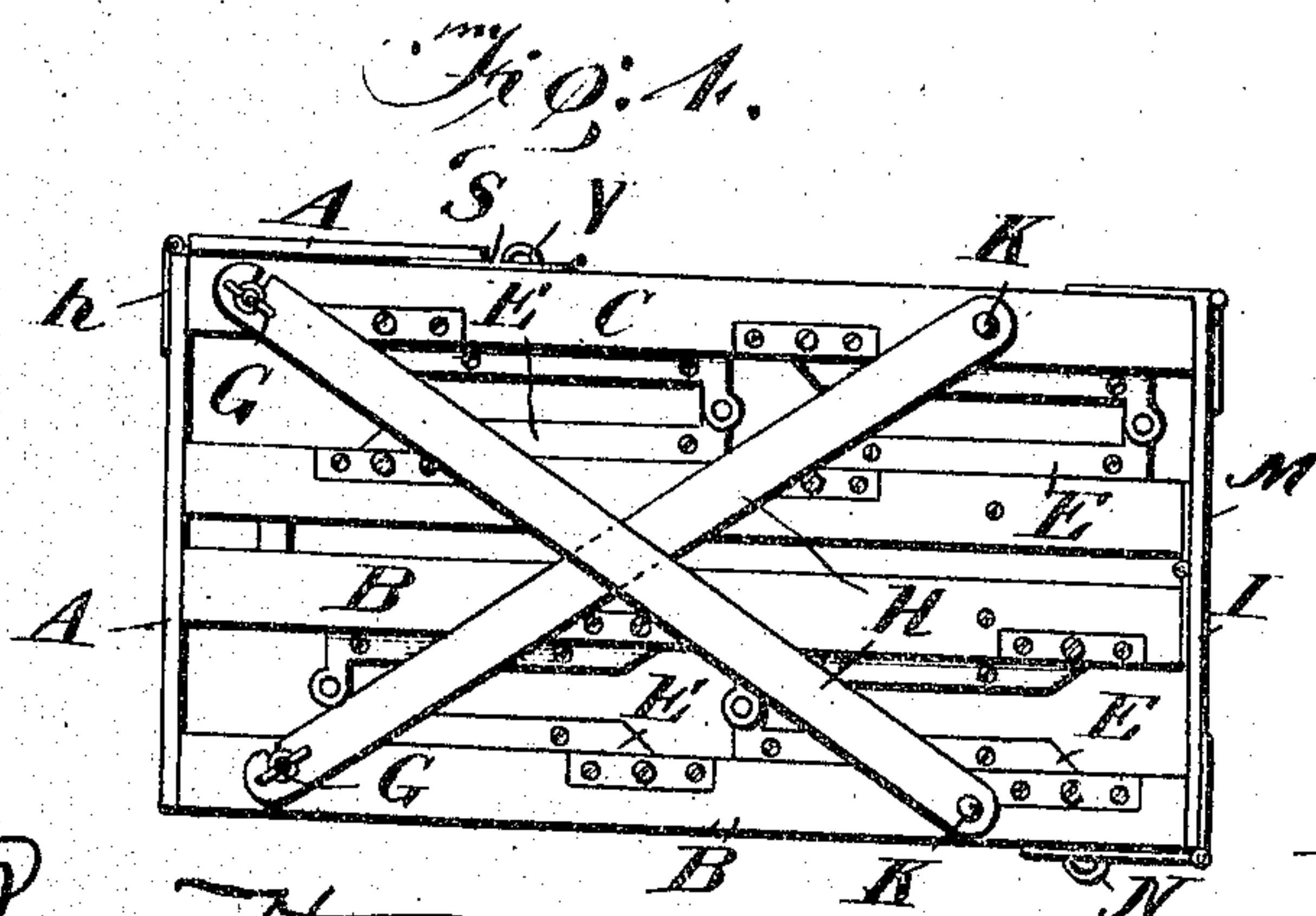
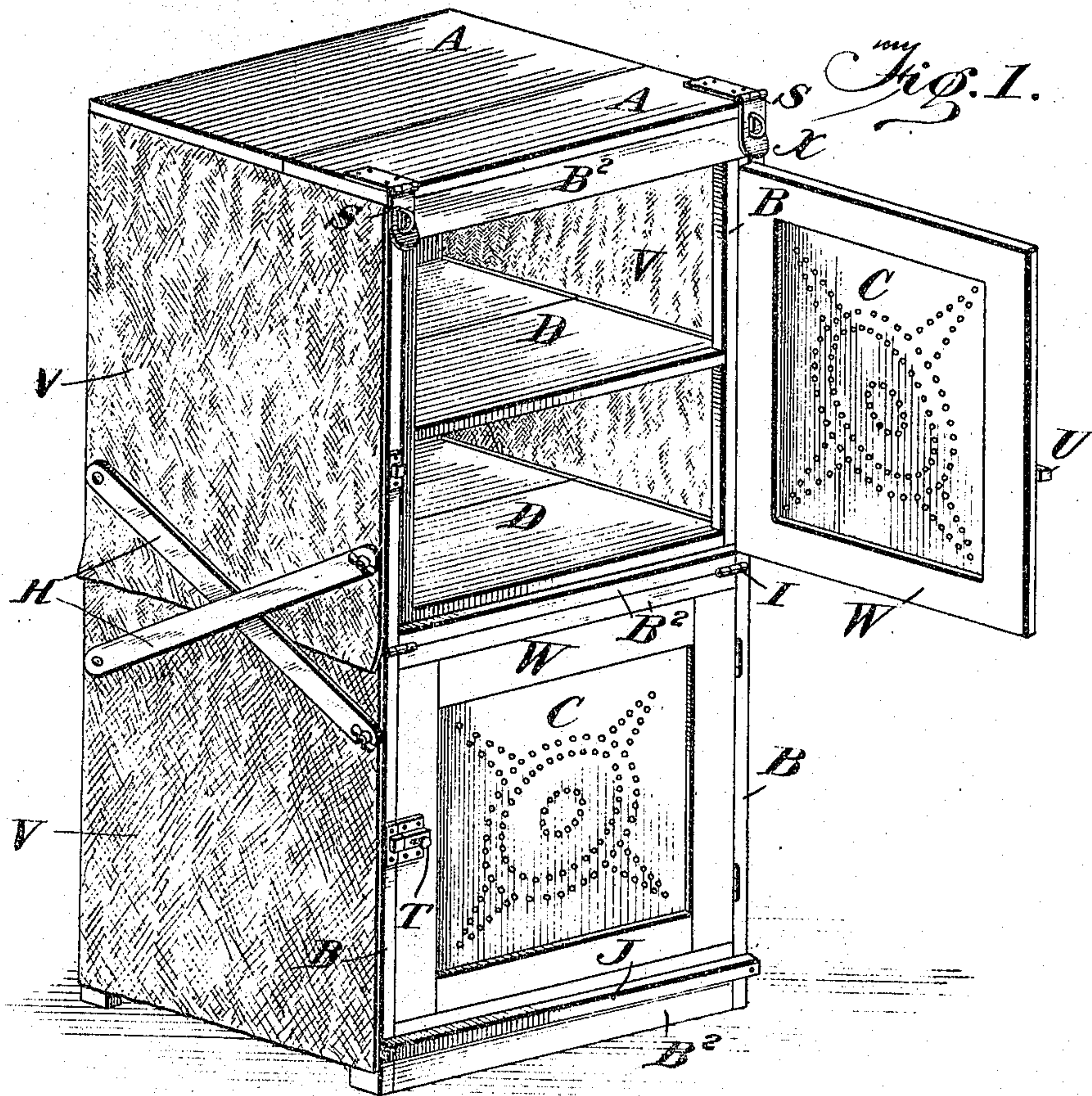


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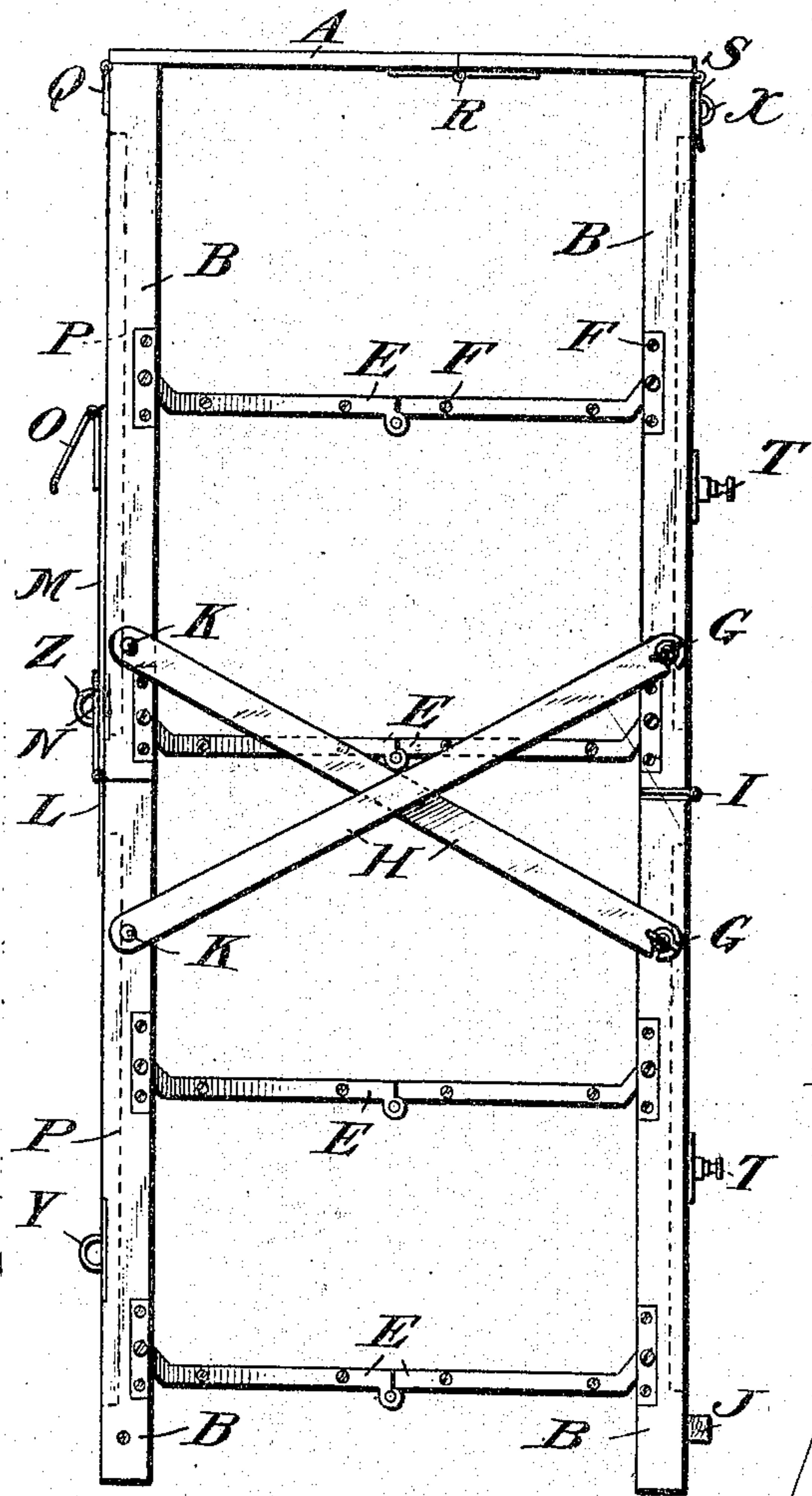
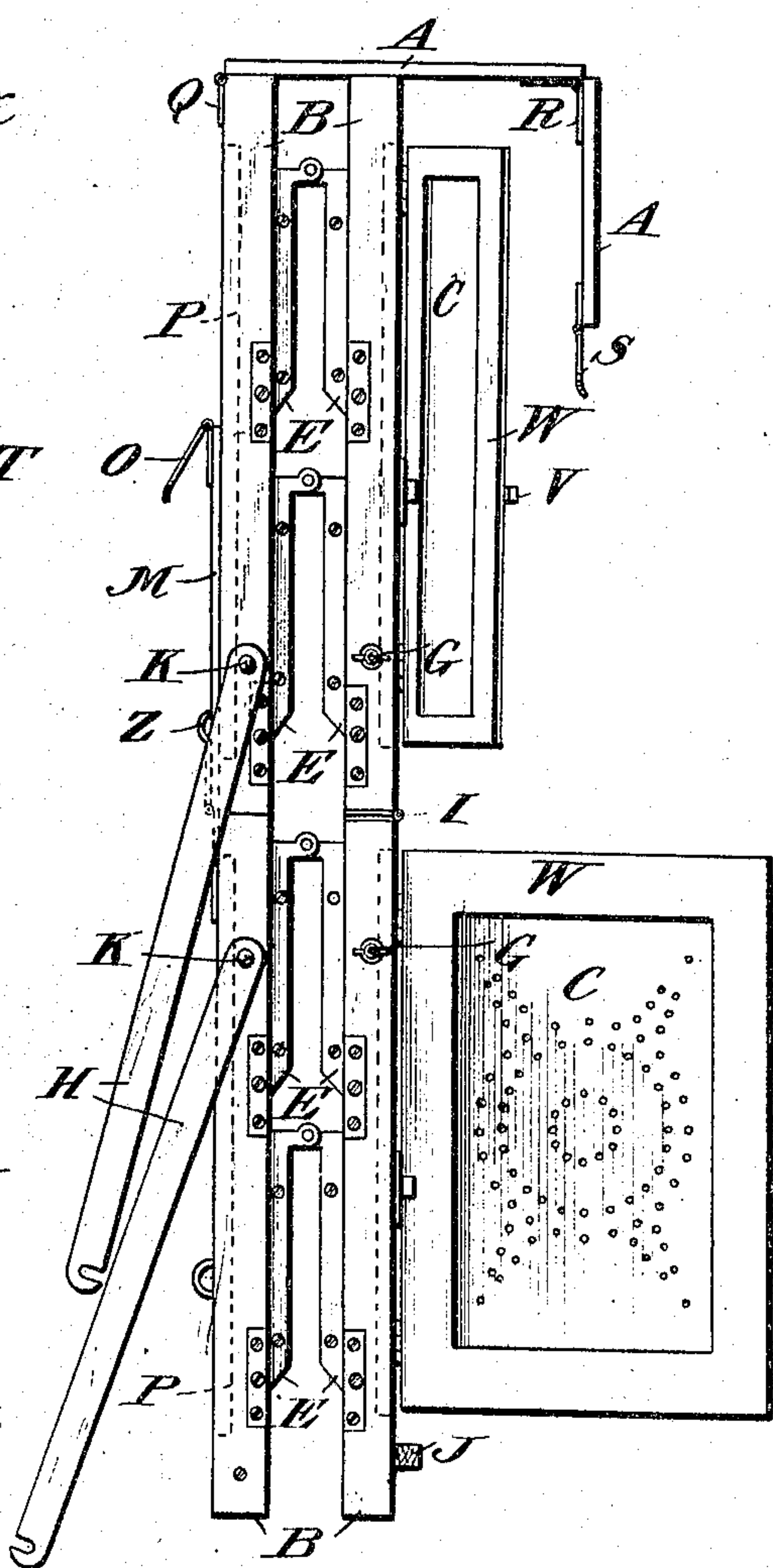


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ISAM B. DODSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Milan, in the county of Sullivan and in the State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Folding Camp-Cupboards, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to folding camp cupboards, and the object is to provide a camp cupboard which will be new, useful and convenient to moving or migrating bodies of men such as military bodies, hunting parties, moving parties or those whose habits or pursuits necessitate camp life a part or all of the time, in which may be kept, while in camp, food stuffs, practically free from dust, dirt and flies, insects and foreign bodies, and when on the march or moving may be folded up so as to occupy but little space thereby rendering it susceptible of easy, safe and convenient transportation.

I accomplish the object of the invention by the mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my invention in operative position ready for use in camp. Fig. 2 is a skeleton view showing working parts of frame. Fig. 3 is a skeleton view showing cupboard with shelves in folded position. Fig. 4 is a view of the cupboard completely folded for transportation.

Like letters of reference indicate like parts throughout the several views of the drawings as well as like parts in the same view.

A, represents top of cupboard when in use which is fastened by means of hinges Q at back of cupboard, and which cover is composed of two sections fastened together by means of hinges R; this top cover forms an end covering for the cupboard when folded, the front section of which, being provided with a clasp S, folds down, fastens and holds the parts of one end together when in folded position; B, corner posts of framework upon which the various parts of the mechanism depend for support; C, perforated doors, one for each section, which swing outward on hinges when open and fasten with knob T and catch U when closed; D, folding shelves composed of two sections each of which break upward in the center by means of triple acting hinges E, which are secured to the ends of the shelves by means of screws F and to corner posts in like manner; G, thumb-screws on which hook lattice braces

H which strengthen and hold in position the divisions of cupboard when in use and which assist in holding it together when folded; I, hinges at front of cupboard which fasten the two sections together and enable them to fold down face to face; J, strip to prevent doors from coming in contact with each other when cupboard is folded; K, bolts or screws which fasten one end of the lattice braces to corner posts B; L, hinges for end cover when cupboard is folded, and back support therefor when open; M, end cover for cupboard when folded, and back support when in use; N, key slot for end cover and back support; O, hasp which engages staple Z when cupboard is folded; P, back of cupboard, which is made of wood or canvas as desired; Q, hinges for top cover; R, hinge under top cover A, which holds the two sections thereof together; V, canvas sides of cupboard which are fastened to framework thereof by means of tacks; W, framework of doors; X, staple for clasp S when cupboard is open; Y, staple for clasp S when cupboard is folded; B², represents cross pieces in front part of framework, the back thereof having similar cross pieces.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new and useful, and wish to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A knockdown cabinet comprising two opposed walls each composed of sections, means for foldably connecting the sections of one wall, means detachably connecting the sections of the other wall, and foldable elements connected with the walls for holding the latter in set-up position.

2. A knockdown cabinet comprising two opposed walls each composed of two sections, hinges connecting the meeting ends of the sections of one wall, means for detachably connecting the sections of the other wall together, bracing members connecting the walls together and holding them spaced apart, each member consisting of jointed parts, and hinges connecting the members with the walls.

3. A knockdown cabinet comprising front and rear walls composed of sections, means connecting the sections of one wall together at their meeting ends for permitting one section to fold back against the other, means for detachably connecting the meeting ends of the sections of the other walls together, foldable elements permanently connecting the sections of one wall with the correspond-

ing sections of the other wall, flexible closures for the sides of the cabinet, rods at the sides of the cabinet pivotally connected with one wall and detachably connected with the other wall for holding the walls in set-up position, and a cover hingedly connected with one wall and detachably connected with the other wall and arranged to secure the sections of the walls together when the cabinet is knocked down.

4. A knockdown cabinet comprising front and rear walls composed of sections, hinges permanently connecting the sections of one wall together, means for detachably connecting the sections of the other wall together, foldable elements disposed between and connected with the walls, a cover hingedly connected with one wall and composed of hingedly connected parts, one part of the cover being arranged to extend across the ends of the wall sections when the cabinet is folded and the other part being adapted to fold down at an angle to the first-mentioned part against the outermost wall section for preventing the parts of the cabinet from unfolding, and a fastening device for holding the cover in place.

5. A knockdown cabinet comprising a front wall consisting of hingedly connected frames, doors carried by the frames, a back wall composed of sections, a plate for detachably connecting the said sections together, a cover hingedly connected with the upper section, foldable elements disposed between and connected with the walls, the frames of the front wall being foldable back against each other and the sections of the

rear wall being carried by the said frames during the folding of the latter, means for securing the cover across the frames and sections at one end, and means for securing the said plate across the frames and sections at the opposite end when the cabinet is folded.

6. A knockdown cabinet comprising a front wall consisting of two frames, hinges connecting the frames, doors carried by the frames, a back wall composed of sections, a plate detachably connecting the sections of the back wall together, a cover composed of hingedly-connected parts, one part being hingedly connected with the rear wall and the other part detachably connected with the front wall, elements disposed between the walls and composed of hingedly-connected members and all foldable in the same direction, means for connecting the elements to the walls, the frames of the front wall being foldable back against each other and carrying the sections of the rear walls with them by means of the said elements, means for holding one part of the cover across the ends of the frames and the other part over the outside of the outermost frame when the cabinet is folded, means for securing the said plate across the opposite ends of the frame when the cabinet is folded, and closures for the sides of the cabinet.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand at Milan, in the State of Missouri, on this the 10th day of April, 1907.

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