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Combined Sign and Order Slate.

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Fig. 1.

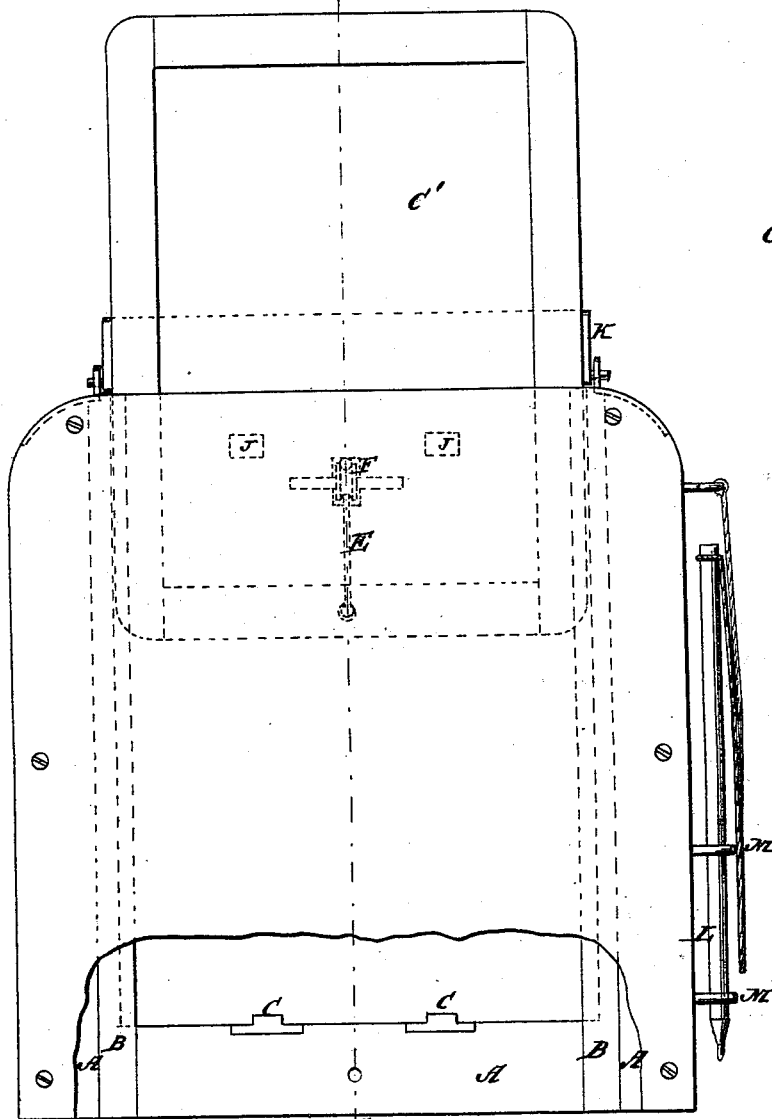


Fig. 2.

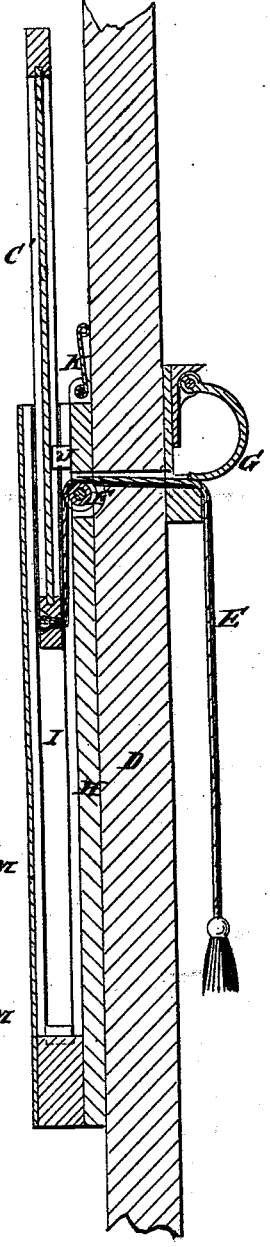
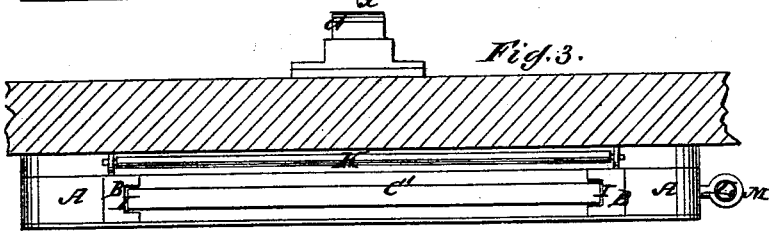


Fig. 3.



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IMPROVEMENT IN COMBINED SIGNS AND ORDER-SLATES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH S. GOLD, of Washington C. H., in the county of Fayette and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Combined Sign and Order-Slate, of which the following is a specification:

This invention is designed for the convenience of professional men more especially, but may be used by all who may find it a convenience; and it consists of a sign having on its back side a sliding slate, which slate is raised by means of a cord, and is covered, when down, by a self-acting lid.

Figure 1 is a front view, having a portion of the front plate broken away to show the cushions which receive the slate when it drops. Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section taken on the line *xx* of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a top-end view.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A is a frame made of wood or other material, having guides B placed therein, which are grooved to receive the frame of a slate. These guides may be made of metal, if desired, and it may answer to make the grooves for the slate directly in the frame A; but I prefer them separate. C are rubber cushions, one or more, to receive the concussion of the slate when it drops by its own gravity. C' is the slate. D represents the door, to which the combined sign and slate is attached, as seen

in Fig. 2. E is a cord attached to the bottom of the slate, which passes up and over the pulley F, and through the door, so that the slate may be raised or lowered from the inside. G is a fastener, attached to the door to secure the cord and hold the slate in any desired position. Attached to the back H of chamber I are stops J, which the lower rail of the slate-frame strikes when it is raised, to prevent the slate from being drawn entirely out. When the doctor or other person is going to be absent he may raise the slate, and secure it by means of the cord-fastener, and when he returns the slate may be lowered. K is a cover to the slate-chamber, which closes automatically when the slate is dropped. L is a pencil attached by a cord, and secured in the screw-eyes *m m*, as seen.

The advantages of this combined sign and slate for doctors, as well as others, must be apparent to all.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The combination, with the grooved frame A, having bottom cushions C and slots J, of the slate C', provided with cord E, as and for the purpose described.

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