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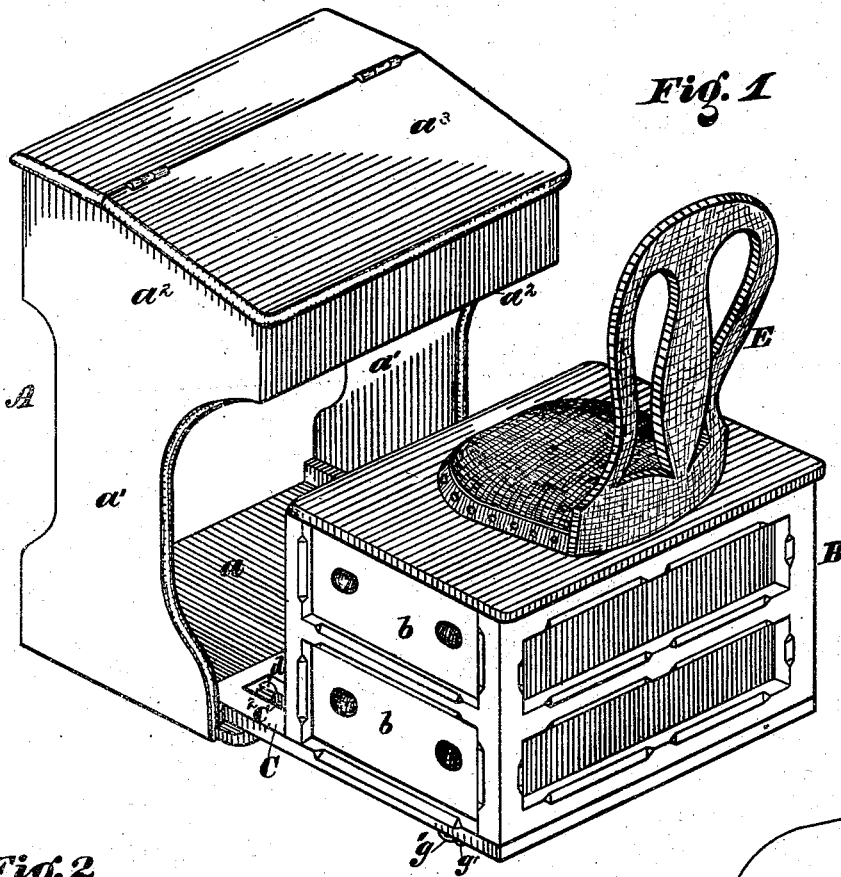


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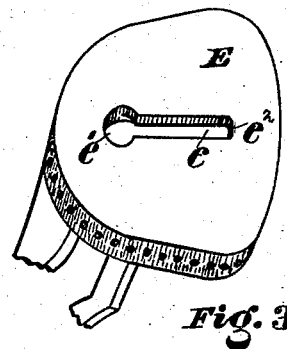
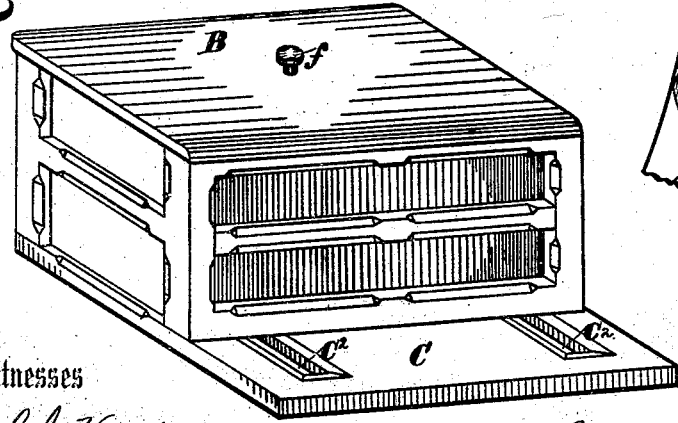


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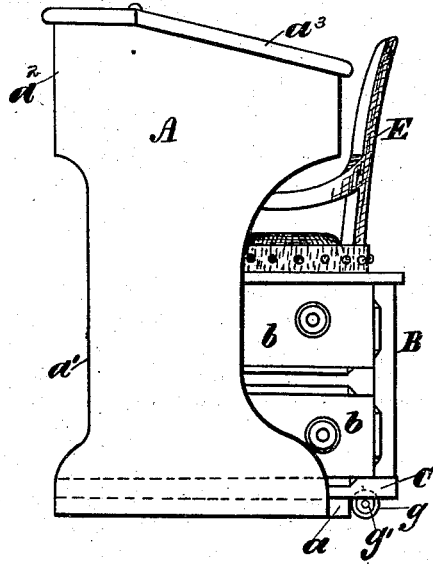


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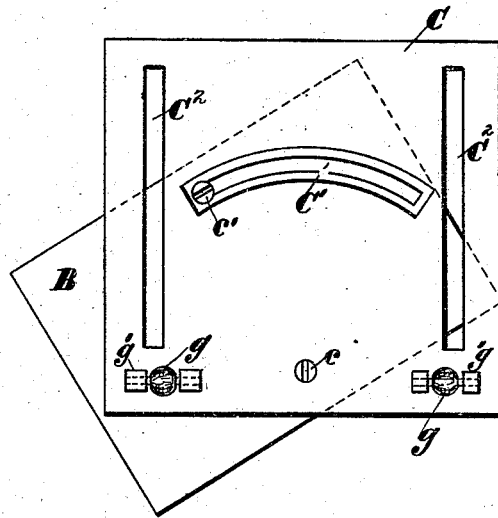


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IMPROVEMENT IN COMBINED DESK AND CHEST OF DRAWERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE S. SYKES, of Manahawkin, in the county of Ocean and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Combined Desk and Chest of Drawers; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective of my invention. Fig. 2 is a detail perspective of the chest. Fig. 3 is a detail perspective of the chair-seat. Fig. 4 is a side elevation. Fig. 5 is an inverted plan of the chest and supplementary bottom.

My invention consists in the peculiar construction, combination, and arrangement of parts, as hereinafter set forth and claimed.

Referring to the accompanying drawing, A represents a desk having a base-board, *a*, sides *a*¹ *a*¹, and body *a*², the latter having a hinged lid, *a*³. B is a chest, provided with drawers *b* *b*, which slide in and out, in the usual manner. Said chest is provided with a supplemental bottom, C, to which it is pivotally secured by a wood-screw, *c*. C¹ represents a segmental countersunk slot in the bottom C, in which a screw, *c*¹, entering the bottom of the chest B plays when said chest is swung around on its pivot, *c*. C² C² represent parallel slots in the bottom C, through which pass screws *d* *d* into the base-board *a*. E shows a chair-seat, formed with a countersunk slot, *e*, terminating in a circular opening, *e*¹. A wood-screw, *f*, inserted in the top of the chest B, enters this slot, being introduced by way of the opening *e*¹, permitting said seat to be slid along the top of the chest, which forms its base, and also to swivel or rotate on said base.

The method of operation is obvious. When the article is in use the chest will be drawn out, as in Fig. 1, so that the desk may be conveniently used by one in a sitting posture, the chair-seat occupying the position shown,

and the drawers being conveniently accessible by the person seated. The chair-seat may be slid in and out to accommodate one's self to the desk, or may be completely or partially rotated, as convenience or necessity may require. The chest, too, may be swung partially around on its pivot, to permit ready access to the seat by one designing to use the desk.

When the article is not in use, or when it is being transported, in both of which cases it is desirable to have it occupy as little space as possible, the chest, with its supplemental bottom, is slid in beneath the body of the desk, the chair-seat moving back upon said chest until the screw *f* meets the forward extremity *e*² of the slot *e*.

To facilitate the movement in and out of the chest, as also to give it a level bearing, it is supported at its rear end by rollers *g* *g*, having bearings in boxes *g*¹ *g*¹, said boxes forming stops, which limit the inward sliding of the supplemental bottom C¹ by impinging against the edge of the base-board *a*.

What I claim as my invention is—

1. A combined desk and chest, the latter being arranged to serve as a seat for the former, and to slide into or beneath the desk when not in use, substantially as set forth.
2. In combination with the desk A and chest B, the supplementary sliding bottom C, substantially as shown and described.
3. In combination with the sliding bottom C, the chest B pivoted thereto, substantially as shown and set forth.
4. The combination of the pivoted chest B, having screw *c*¹, with the sliding bottom C, having segmental slot C¹.
5. In combination with the chest B, having screw *f*, the chair-seat E, having slot *e*, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 18th day of November, 1876.

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