

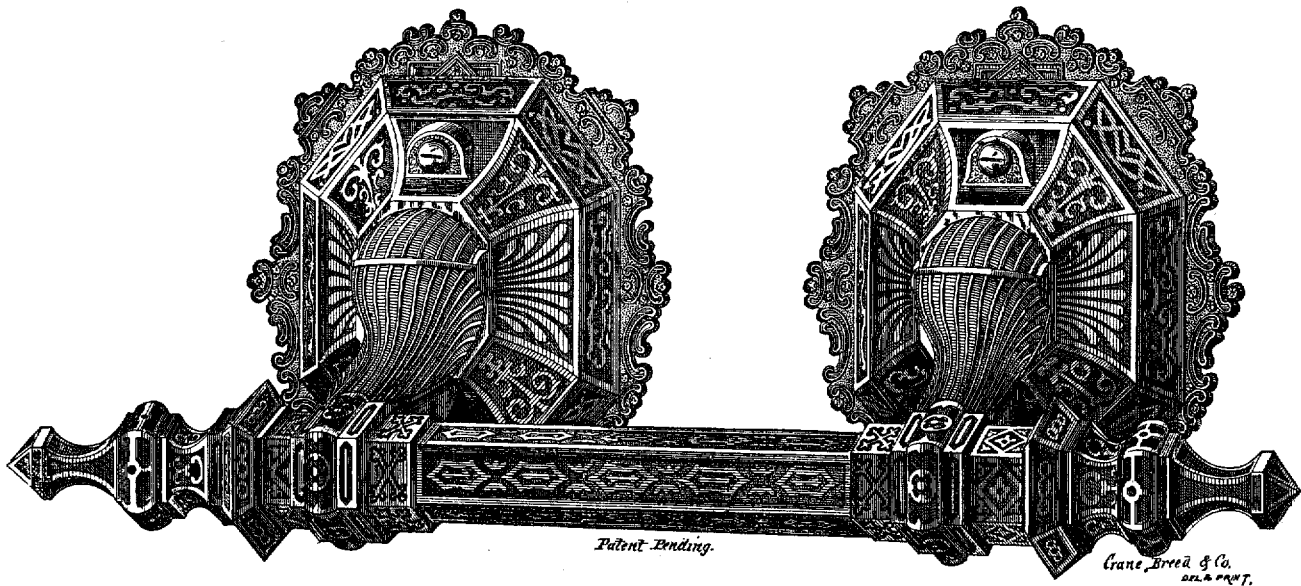
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM R. MCCOMAS, of Cincinnati, Hamilton county, State of Ohio, have originated and designed a Pattern for Drop-Handles, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying photo-engraving, making part of this specification.

The nature of my design is fully represented in the accompanying photo-engraving, to which reference is made.

The drop-handle ornamented by my design consists of a hand-bar or grasping-rod, A, having ears *a* to engage with hinge-connection to the sockets B B, that are provided to be secured to the object requiring handling. These sockets may have a base ornamentation of any kind being polygonal in extent, from which the surface may rise in partly plane and partly concave pyramidal form to a bearing for the hand-bar ears *a*, and having suitable panel-design, and in one or more of the sunken panels of the concave section of these sockets I introduce a raised Egyptian ornamentation, C, as shown, having resemblance to the system of ribs upon a shell, and in like manner converging in size and direction, while in one or more panels of either or both concave and plane sections I introduce a harmonious raised Grecian scroll ornamentation, D, these two styles thus ornamenting all the panels, unless not so desired. The hand-bar A is polygonal in sectional area, and I provide

the faces with sunken panels E, inclosing Gothic figure ornaments, as shown. I also, to finish the ends of the hand-bar, provide, near said ends, angular sunken paneled collarettes, F, of a style to harmonize with the rest of the hand-bar, as shown. The ears *a* of the hand-bar extend therefrom in a curved line, and expand into spoon or shell shape at the joint with the socket, and are provided with raised ribs running in the direction of their length, and diverging over the shell-shaped ends like the system of ribs upon a shell, and is, as before said, an Egyptian order of decoration, and is designated in the engraving by letter G.

The distinctive feature of my design is found in the Egyptian and Grecian ornamentation C D upon sockets B B, the Egyptian ornamentation G on hand-bar ears *a*, and the Grecian ornamentation F upon hand-bar A, harmoniously interwoven, as illustrated.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

A design for drop-handle, whose hand-bar ears and socket-plates are ornamented as distinctively described.

In testimony of which invention I hereunto set my hand.

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