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KITCHEN CABINET.

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Fig. 1.

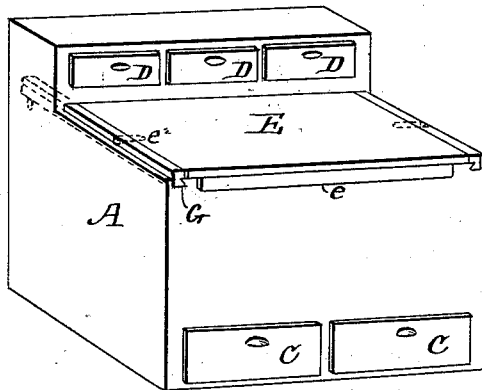


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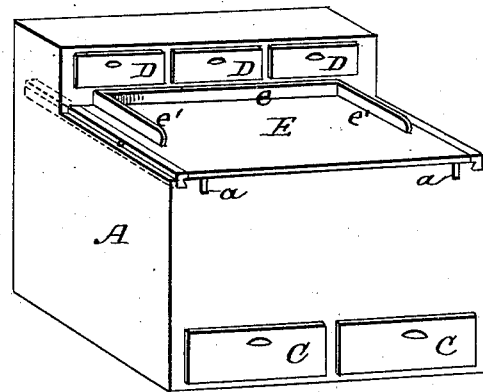


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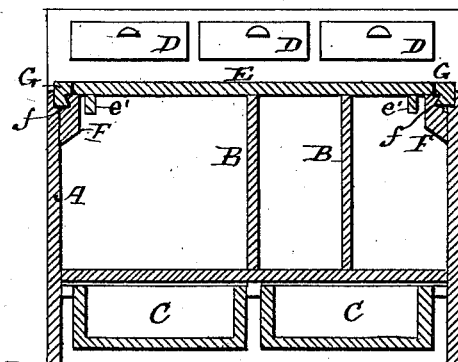


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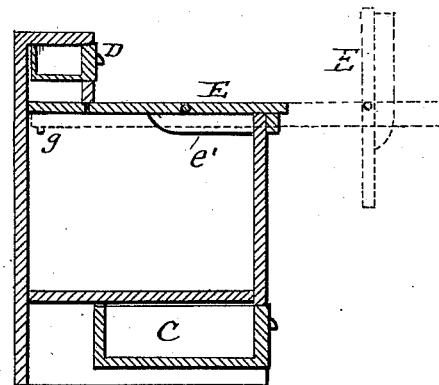
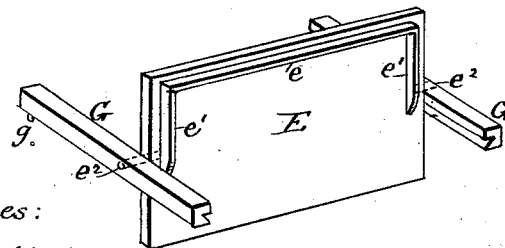


Fig. 5.



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KITCHEN-CABINET.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DAVID H. SPICER, a citizen of the United States, residing at St. Cloud, in the county of Stearns and State of Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Kitchen-Cabinets, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a cabinet embodying my invention and represented as being closed. Fig. 2 is a similar view, representing the top or kneading-board of the cabinet turned over or in condition for use. Fig. 3 is a vertical longitudinal section, and Fig. 4 is a vertical transverse section, of Fig. 1. Fig. 5 is a perspective of the kneading-board and slides.

Like letters refer to like parts in all the figures.

The object of my invention is to provide a kitchen-cabinet the combined cover and kneading-board of which is so connected therewith as to obviate the necessity of lifting the same in order to present the kneading-board in proper position for use as such, or to serve as a cover.

Other objects and advantages of my invention will appear in the following description of the construction and operation of the same, and the novel features thereof will be specifically set forth in the claims.

A represents the body of a cabinet constructed after any suitable design, and in this instance provided with partitions B, forming bins, below which are drawers C. In this instance the body is provided with a series of drawers, D, at the top.

E represents the combined cover and kneading-board, provided with a back strip, *e*, and partial side strips, *e'*, upon one side thereof, as shown in Fig. 2, and plain upon the opposite side, as shown in Fig. 1.

Upon the inside of the end walls of the body, and at their upper edges, are cleats F, having dovetailed grooves *f*. In this instance the upper edges of the end wall are rabbeted to form a side and part of the bottom of ways, in which slides G operate. Each of the slides G is provided with a stop, *g*, for preventing

the complete withdrawal of the slides from the grooves; but it is evident that the rabbeting of the end walls may be omitted and cleats be used instead. The kneading-board and cover is connected with the slides by pivots *e''*, which in this instance are located at the center of the ends of the board; but, if desired, they may be located at a point nearer to or farther from the edge having the back piece, *e*. By means of these pivots the board may be reversed from the position shown in Fig. 1, in which it forms a smooth top for the cabinet, to its position in Fig. 2, thereby producing a kneading-board without requiring the lifting of the top of the cabinet.

To reverse the position of the board it and the slides are drawn out until that portion of the board inside of the pivots will pass the front wall of the cabinet when the board is rotated upon the pivots to bring the desired surface upward, and it and the slides are pushed inward until the advancing edge of the board is inserted beneath the drawers D, or, in their absence, beneath any suitable cleat or grooved back board of the cabinet-top.

a are slots formed in the front wall of the cabinet to receive the partial side pieces, *e'*, when the board is in use as a cover. As shown, the board rests upon the upper edge of the partitions B; but, if desired, this feature may be omitted and the cleats F may be relied upon for a firm foundation for the board; and in order to present an unbroken upper surface, the end walls of the cabinet may be extended upwardly until they are flush with the upper surface of the slides.

I do not limit myself to the exact proportions or minute details of the construction herein shown, but may vary the same in any manner and to any extent within the skill of persons conversant in the construction of articles of this class.

Having described my invention and its operation, what I claim is—

1. In combination with the base of a kitchen-cabinet, slides mounted in the upper part of the same, and a reversible cover pivoted in said slides, substantially as shown and described.

2. The combination, with the base of a kitchen-

en-cabinet having its end walls grooved and its front walls slotted, as shown, of slides fitting said grooves, and a reversible cover pivoted at its ends to said slides, and provided
5 with back and end pieces, substantially as shown and described.

3. The combination of the body A, the cleats F, provided with a dovetailed groove, *f*, the slides G, adapted to fit said grooves, the board,

and pivots *e*², substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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