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Fig. 1.

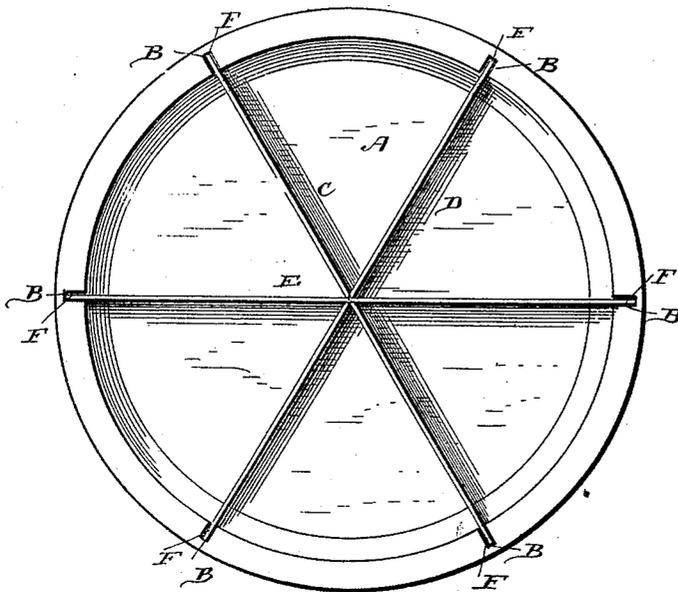


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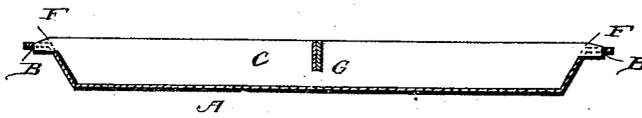


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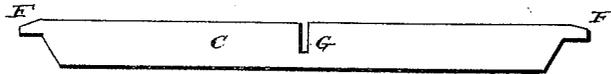


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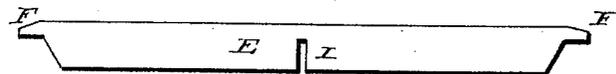


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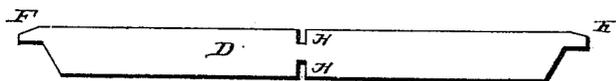
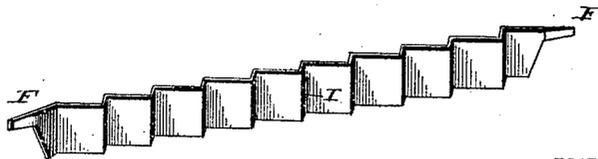


Fig. 6.



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## PIE-PLATE.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, MARTIN J. GROSZ, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Emporia, in the county of Lyon and State of Kansas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pie-Plates; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a top view of my improved pie-plate. Fig. 2 is a diametrical sectional view of the same. Figs. 3, 4, and 5 are views of the partitions; and Fig. 6 is a view of a modified form of partition or strip.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

My invention has relation to pie-plates; and it consists in the improved construction and combination of parts of such a plate, in which the pie may be divided in a number of sectors before being baked, avoiding the cutting of the pie afterward, and the loss of the contents of the pie when it is cut, as hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, the letter A indicates the plate, which is formed with a number of slots, B, in its rim, at equal distances from each other and diametrically opposite to each other. The partitions C, D, and E, of which the drawings show three, are formed at their ends to correspond to the slope of the side of the plate and with outwardly-projecting lips, F, which may fit into the slots in the rim of the plate. The centers of the partitions are formed with vertical slots, one partition, C, having the slot extending from the upper edge to below the middle, as shown at G, while the next partition, D, has two slots, H H, extending from both edges to near the middle, and the third partition, E, is formed with a slot, I, extending from the lower edge to above the middle of the strip. It will now be seen that the partitions or strips may be placed in the plate intersecting each other, and with the projecting ends resting in the slots in the rim of the plate, the partition having the slot from the upper edge being placed first, whereupon the partition

having the two slots is placed with its lower slot resting in the upper slot of the other partition, and at last the partition having the slot in the lower edge is placed into the upper slots of both the foregoing partitions, when the plate will be divided into six equal parts. If desired, the partitions may be corrugated, as shown in Fig. 6, when the edges of the pieces of pie will be serrated.

The plate may, if desired, be divided into four or any other number of parts by a suitable number of partitions.

When the pie is to be made, the under crust is rolled somewhat thicker than usually, whereupon it is placed in the plate, resting on the partitions, and the portions between the partitions are pressed down, whereupon the contents of the pie are filled into the lower crust and the upper crust placed over it. The upper and lower crusts are now pressed down against the edges of the partitions, which will compress the two crusts and at the last cut them, the thick lower crust being stretched to its required thickness by this process and by the forcing of the portions between the partitions, and the pie may now be baked, when each piece will have its edges sticking together and retain its contents.

Having thus described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States—

In a pie-plate, the combination of a plate having a number of equidistant and diametrically opposite slots in its rim, with a partition having a slot at its middle extending from the upper edge to below the middle of the strip, and having lips at its ends for fitting in the slots of the rim, a partition having similar lips and having slots at its center extending from both edges to near the middle of the strip, and a partition having lips at its ends, and having a slot extending from the center of the lower edge to slightly above the middle, as and for the purpose shown and set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereunto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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