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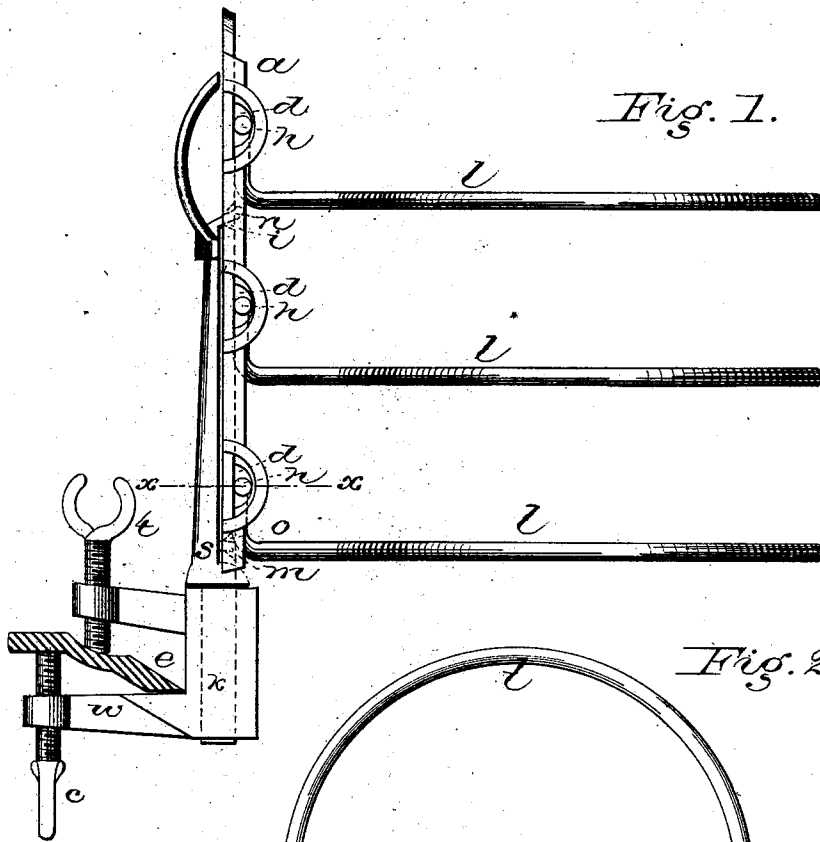


Fig. 1.

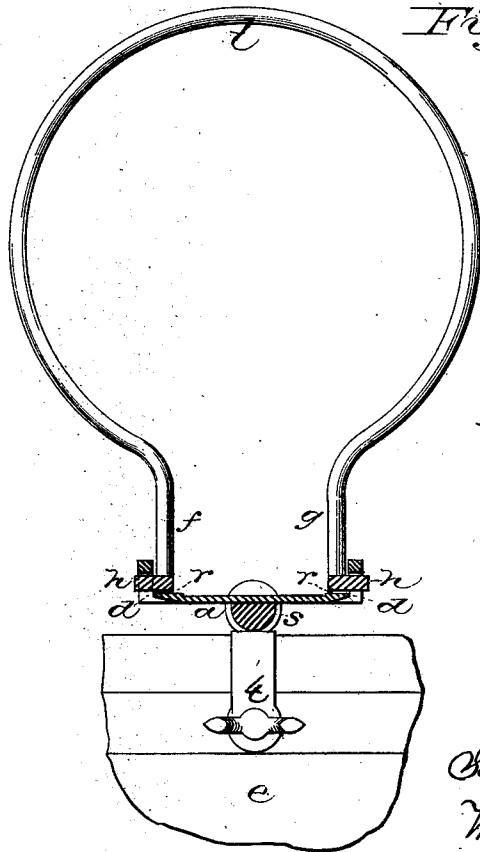


Fig. 2.

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PLATE OR STOVE-COVER RACK.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, SCOTT D. JORDAN, of Cape Elizabeth, and WILLIAM A. CLARK, of Deering, both in the county of Cumberland and State of Maine, have invented a new and useful Improvement in a Plate or Stove-Cover Rack, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a side view of the plate or stove rack with a section of the edge of the top of a stove; and Fig. 2 is a transverse and sectional view of the rack and a part of the top of a stove, taken on the line of *xx* in Fig. 1.

The object of our invention is to furnish an improved portable plate or stove-cover rack which may be held in a vertical position on a wall, with plates resting on it beyond the reach of rats and mice; and, also, it may be suspended on the edge of a kitchen-stove to set the covers on while cooking-utensils are used on the stove.

It consists of a back piece to which are hinged a series of circular wire shelves, so constructed as to be unable to drop below a horizontal position relative to the vertical back piece, and at the same time be capable of being turned upward against the said back piece, and a socket with two arms with set-screws to be attached to the top of a stove, and a standard to receive and hold the rack, all of which is hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

In the drawings, *a* is a back piece with a space in its upper end, by which it may be suspended upon a nail or hook in the desired place. Upon the two edges of the said back piece, *a*, are eyes *d d d*, with a half-circle and bevel from the back side of the back piece, *a*, for each of the eyes *d d d*, the said eyes so arranged as to have the casting of the back piece, *a*, made in such a way that there will be an aperture in each of the eyes *d d d* without drilling.

The shelves *l l l* are formed of a single piece of wire bent into a circular shape, and having its ends bent out from the circle, forming the

parallels *f g*, and upward at right angles with the shelf, thus making a rest against the back piece, *a*, at *r*, and outward at right angles with the parallels *f* and *g*, making the hooks *h h*, which secures the shelf *l* to the back piece, *a*, through the eye *d*, which shelf *l* is supported in a horizontal position by the two elbows on each end of it. When the shelf is constructed the two parallels *f* and *g* are taken in the hand and sprung toward each other until they can be hooked into the eyes *d d*. These shelves are to be arranged one above another on the back *a* in any desired number, and when not in use are to be turned upward against the back piece, *a*, or unhooked and put in any desired place, and thus occupy very little space. The back piece, *a*, is also provided with holes at *i o*, to receive the hook *n* and pin *m* on the standard *s*, which hook *n* and pin *m* secures the said standard *s* to the back piece, *a*, by placing the said standard *s* at right angles with the back piece, *a*, and inserting the hook *n* into the hole *i*, and then swinging the said standard *s* around until the pin *m* springs into the hole *o* near the lower end of the back piece, *a*. The holes *i o* should be countersunk on the front side of the back piece, *a*.

The standard *s* rests in its socket *k*, which is attached to the stove *e* by placing the corner formed by the socket *k* and arm *w* against the edge of the stove *e* and adjusting the said socket *k* in a vertical position by the use of the set-screws *c t*, thus forming a fastening which will suit any stove.

Having thus described our invention, what we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The plate or stove-cover rack consisting of the back piece, *a*, provided with the eyes *d*, the hinged shelves *l*, the standard *s*, and socket *k*, with the arm *w*, substantially as and for the purpose described.

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