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Domestic Oven.

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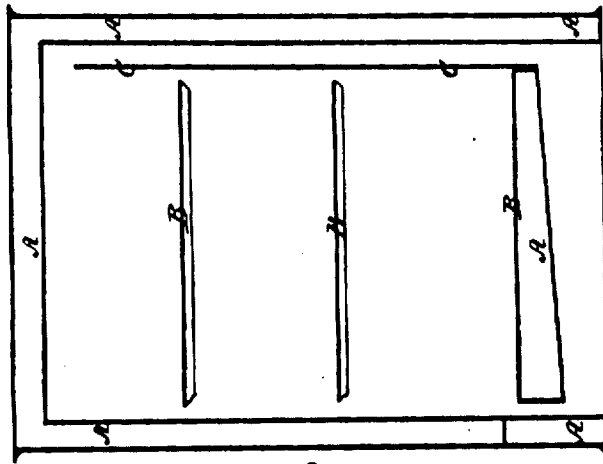
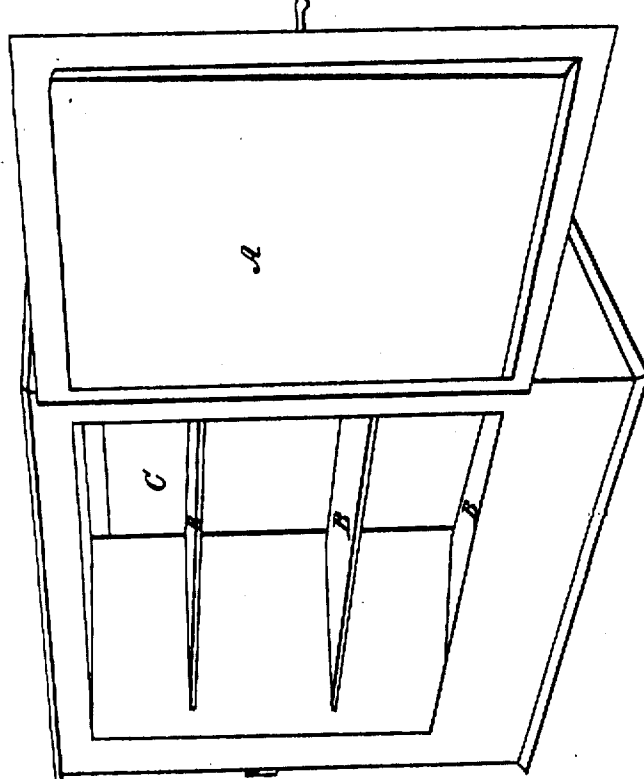


Fig. 1.



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The schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same containing a description in the words of the said J. Swift Gold himself of his improvement called the Union Oven.

To all to whom these presents shall come. Be it known that J. Swift Gold of Norwich in the County of New London and State of Connecticut, have invented a new and useful improvement in an oven, which improved oven is designated and called "Swift Gold's Union Oven;" and that the following is a full and exact description of said improvement as invented by me.

The peculiar advantages that this oven possesses are that it applies all, or nearly all the heat which is produced by the combustion of the fuel to the purposes of baking, the heat being secured from escaping or being lost, by means of confined air; as herein after described, and a circulation of heat by means of heated air within the oven is produced and continued until the baking is completed.

The oven is most easily constructed of a square form, with but one door and without any bottom, as when used it may be placed on the top of a stove, or other heated iron plate, but it may be made with more than one door, and in any other form. It should be made of thin sheet iron or other thin metal plate, and that with a bright surface is to be preferred, by its being thin less heat will be absorbed by it and in that way lost, and by its being of a bright surface the heat is more effectually obtained where it is designed to operate. The oven may be thus constructed: Let two ovens be made with sides & top, and of the same height, but the one of less length and breadth than the other, say one inch each way, this difference being sufficient to produce the required effect, though this difference may be increased in the construction of desired. Let the lower edge of the smaller one be turned outward at right angles with the sides for the width of

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half an inch to this extent reducing its height. The larger one being now placed over the smaller one. The edges of the two will be in contact, and the oven is to be united by rivets, or wires or some other secure way. A double oven is thus formed with the space of half an inch between the respective plates, which space will be filled with confined air; a door must then be cut and the edges of the plates united at the opening in the same way as before mentioned. A double door of the same thickness, thus is with the same space for confined air between its plates is then to be added. The confined air with which the inner oven is now surrounded at the top and sides being a slow and imperfect conductor of heat, the heat arising from the iron plate on which this oven shall be placed will be secured from escape and will be expended in the process of baking. By means of grooves on the sides of the oven, or by hooks, shelves, or gratings may be placed within this oven but they must be so arranged as to admit the heat to arise between and around the articles to be baked on the shelves, or gratings, and permeate the whole oven. Though the circulation of heat and air as hereinafter mentioned is regarded as an improvement, the oven may be used as above described very advantageously without it. By means of a regular circulation of heat within the oven a greater effect may be produced from the same consumption of fuel. This circulation of the heat may be thus produced at the distance from the backside of the inner oven of one twelfth part of its depth. Let a sheet of tin or other metal be secured passing from side to side the upper edge of it reaching to within the same distance of the top of this oven, and the lower edge of it within two or three inches of its bottom. From the lower edge of this plate let another extend three quarters across towards the opposite side of the oven in the form of an inclined plane, with a descent of about one inch in twelve. Another sheet in a horizontal position may be united with this inclined one above it in such manner as to enclose between the two, a quantity of confined air thus forming a shelf for baking and at the same time securing the articles to be baked from being scorched from the iron plate. The heat arising from the iron

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plate by means of the inclined planes, will be carried to the back side of the perpendicular sheet and will then ascend with a current of heated air to the top of the oven, and as the heat shall be absorbed by the articles, in baking the air becoming more condensed will descend in the oven the shelves being so arranged that in its descent it shall pass over all the articles to be baked.

The two distinct improvements claimed in this oven and which are intended to be secured are first the prevention of the loss of heat by means of the confined air; and second the increased effect from the circulation of the heat and air within the oven. As the heat is so intense within the oven as to dissolve the solder the grate and shelves and all the other parts of the inner oven must in its construction be secured by rivets, hoops, wires, grooves, or interlashing, or some other way not effected by the action of the heat. The use of iron in the construction of the oven is recommended for the inner oven by its being clothed, it absorbs but little heat, while in the exterior oven the inner surface will never tarnish, and the outer one may always be kept bright, thus increasing the security against the escape of heat.

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