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Fig. 1.

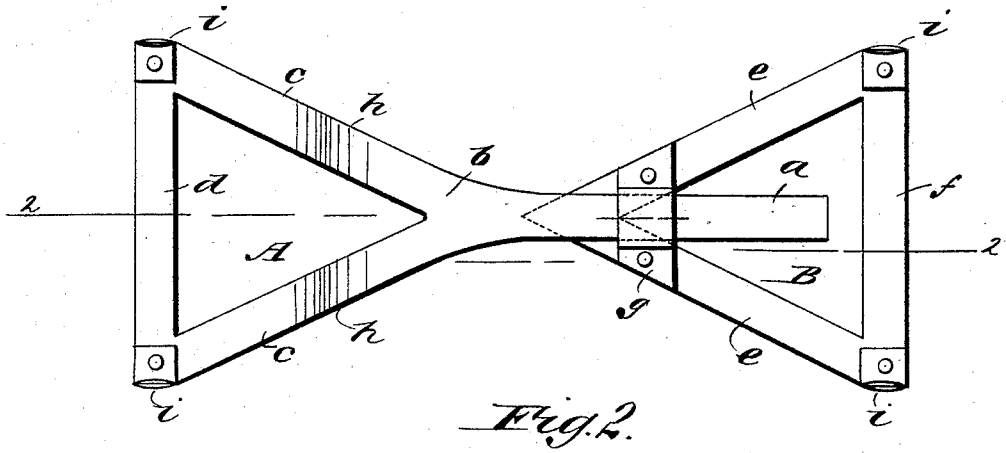
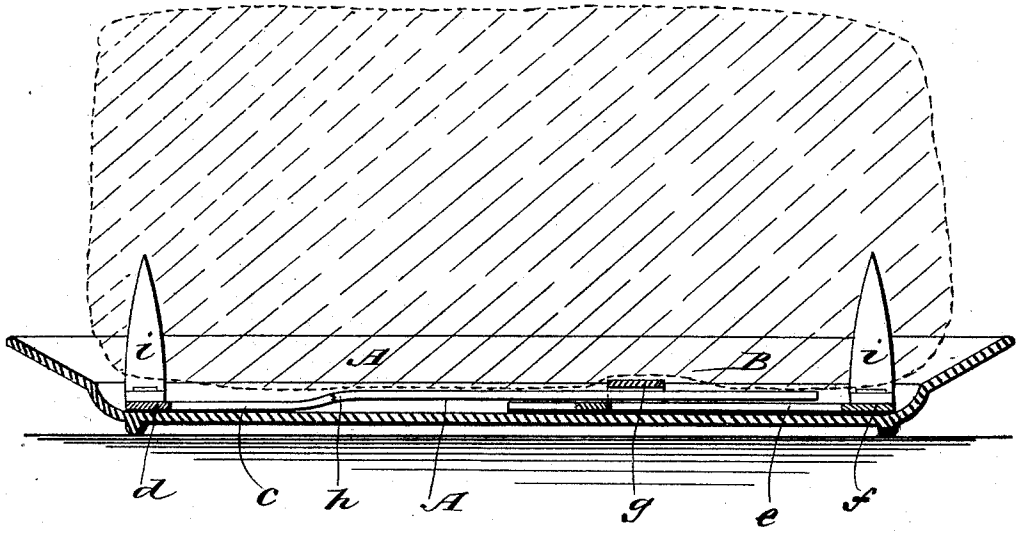


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES M. H. FREDERICK, of Akron, in the county of Summit and State of Ohio, have invented a new and Improved Adjustable Supporting-Frame for Poultry or other Cooked Meats, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of the invention is to provide a means for supporting cooked fowls and other roasted or baked meats in position upon a platter, whereby the operation of carving the same will be facilitated.

To this end my invention consists in the provision of an adjustable frame of metal, which is constructed essentially as is hereinafter described, and indicated in the claim.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both figures.

Figure 1 is a plan view of the device, and Fig. 2 is a sectional side elevation on the line 2 2 in Fig. 1 with a piece of meat thereon. (Shown in dotted lines.)

There are two sections A B provided, which together produce an extensible frame.

The section A is made of any suitable metal, and consists of a main limb *a*, which is bifurcated at *b*, the divergent limbs *c* thereof being connected at their outer ends by a cross-bar *d*.

The frame-section A is preferably made from a single piece of plate metal cut by dies from a sheet of suitable thickness. Other means may also be employed to construct the frame-section, if preferred, as the same may be cast, forged, or bent from wire rod into form and afford a neat device.

The other frame-section B is of triangular form, having side limbs *e* of equal length, which diverge at the same angle as that which defines the degree of lateral divergence of the limbs *c* from the point of contact *b* on the frame-section A, said limbs *e* being connected at their outer ends by an integral cross-bar *f*.

A keeper-loop *g* is bent to embrace the sides and top surface of the main limb *a*, and is secured by rivets or other means upon the divergent limbs of the frame-section B near their point of conjunction and parallel to the cross-bars *d f*, the keeper-loop being of sufficient breadth to properly retain the sections A B in sliding adjustment and prevent lateral aberration.

To permit the outer end portions of the frame-sections A B to have their lower faces in the same plane, so that they may rest level upon a platter or other horizontal supporting-surface, there is an upward and forward bend produced at *h* on the limbs *c*, which will raise the remaining portion of said limbs and the main limb *a* sufficiently to allow the limb *a* to slide into the keeper-loop *g* and maintain the cross-bars *d* and *f* in the same horizontal plane.

At each corner of the connected adjustable frame A B an upright standard *i* is secured by any preferred means. As shown, the standards *i* are in the form of lancinating-blades, whereby they are adapted to readily penetrate the meat or a fowl and support it from rocking or lateral displacement when the same is being carved.

The longitudinal adjustment of the frame-sections will adapt the device to properly engage with its supporting-standards any piece of roasted or boiled meat, and equally as well retain in stable position a fowl of large or small size.

As any degree of finish or ornamentation may be given to this supporting-frame and it can be made light and shapely, the article will afford a useful and elegant adjunct to table service.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The herein-described meat-supporting frame, consisting of the Y-shaped section A, having its diverging limbs *c c* connected by the cross-bar *d*, having the upwardly-projecting blades *i i* at its ends, and the V-shaped section B, having its limbs *e e* connected by the cross-bar *f*, having the upwardly-projecting blades *i i* at its end, and provided with the keeper *g*, adapted to receive the limb *a* of the section A, as set forth.

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