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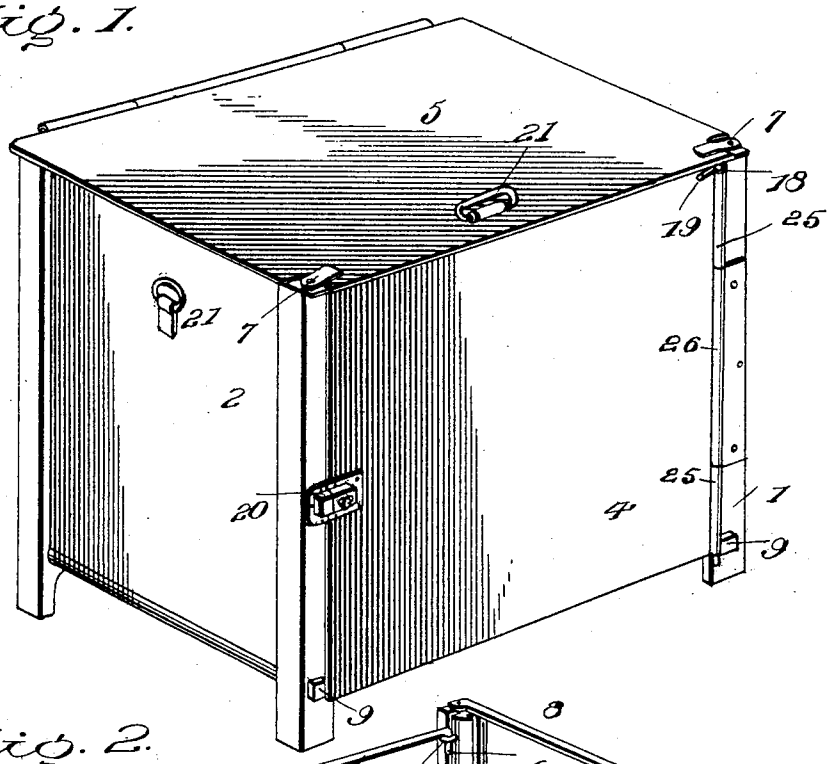
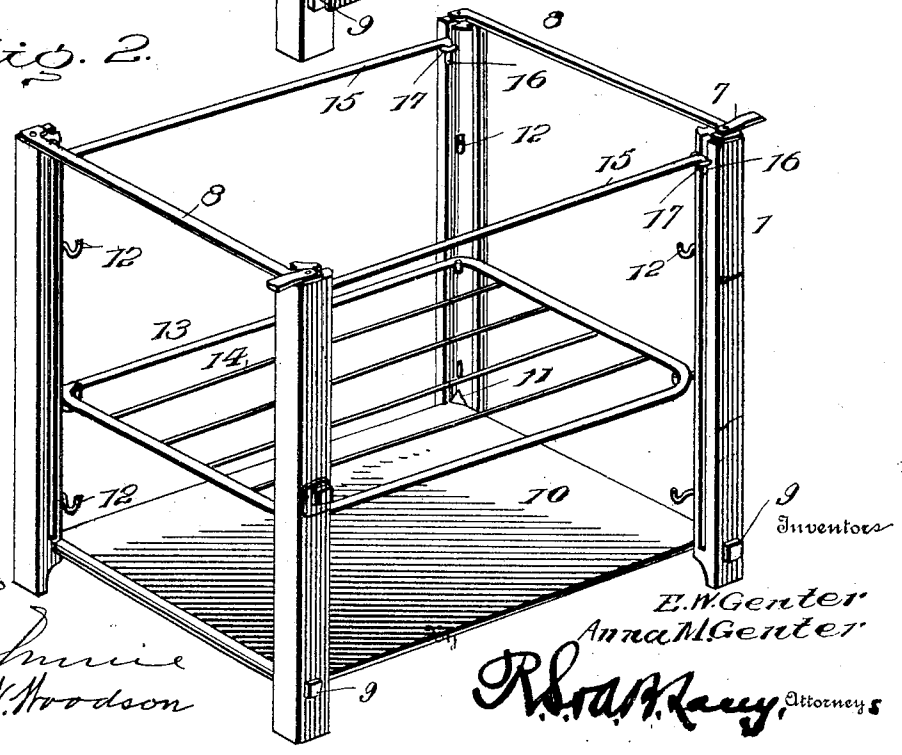


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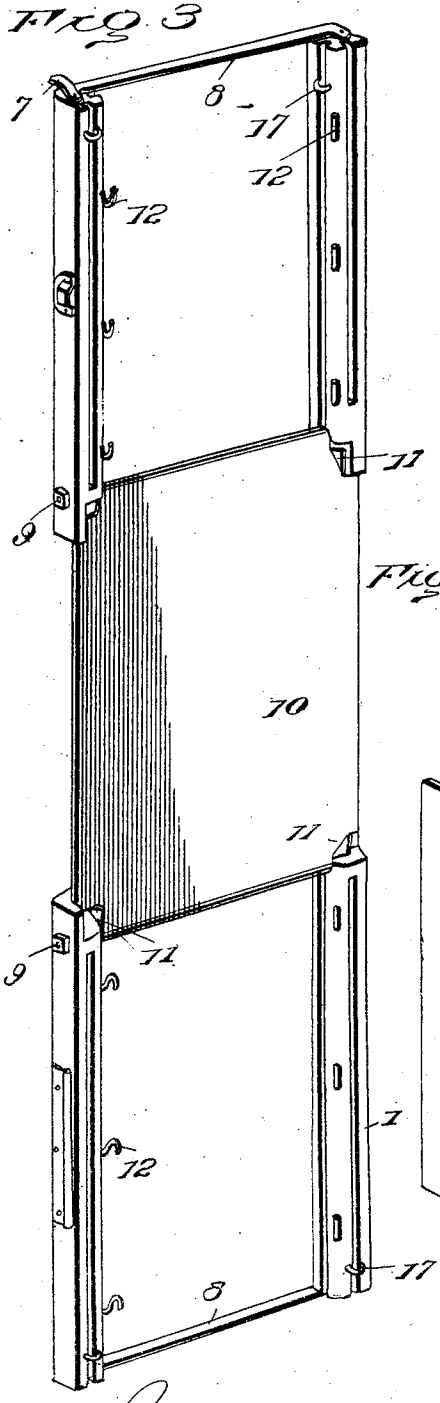


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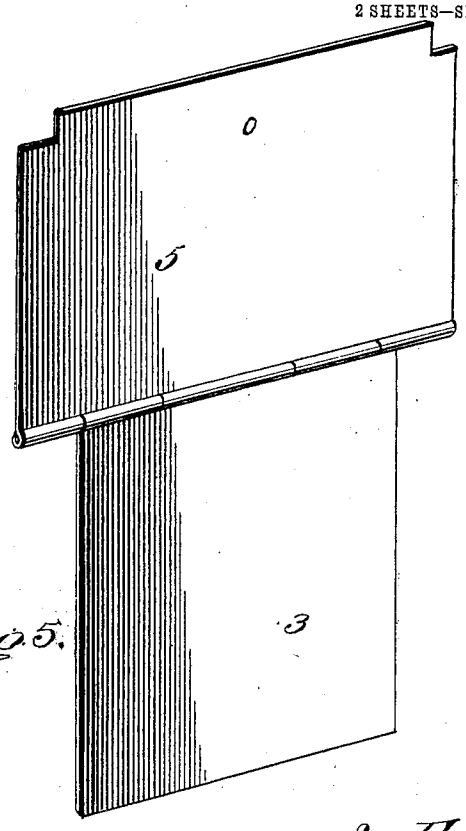


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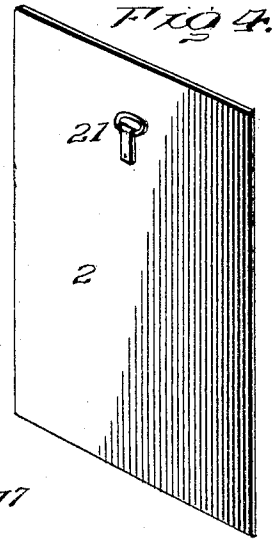
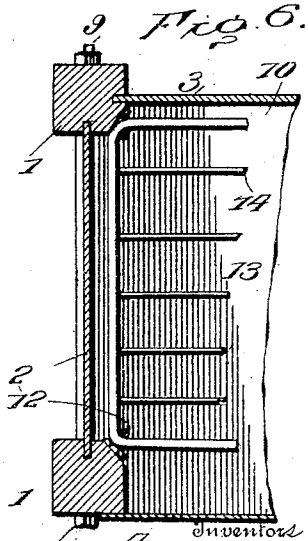


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, ELMER W. GENTER and ANNA M. GENTER, citizens of the United States, residing at Athol, in the county of Smith and State of Kansas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Holders for Pastry or the Like, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an improved form of holder, case, or receptacle for bread, pastry, or the like.

Our invention is especially designed to provide an article of the type before set forth which embodies a structure adapted to be knocked down when out of use and to be quickly set up preparatory to use. The holder, further, is provided with inclosing sides, which when desired may be removed, so as to admit of quickly cooling baked articles, as the case may be. The inclosing sides when in position upon the holder provide a comparatively air-tight receptacle which may be advantageously used as a cooler or for analogous purposes.

For a full description of the invention and the merits thereof and also to acquire a knowledge of the details of construction of the means for effecting the result reference is to be had to the following description and accompanying drawings.

While the essential and characteristic features of the invention are susceptible of modification, still the preferred embodiment of the invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the complete holder, all parts assembled and ready for practical use. Fig. 2 is a perspective view showing the holder when in skeleton form, the inclosing sides being removed. Fig. 3 is a perspective view showing the frame structure of the invention in knocked-down condition. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of one of the sides of the holder. Fig. 5 is a view showing the top and rear side, which parts are hingedly secured together. Fig. 6 is a horizontal sectional view bringing out more clearly the relative arrangement of parts.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to in the following description and indicated in all the views of the drawings by the same reference characters.

In general structure our invention comprises, essentially, the uprights 1, sides 2, a back 3, and a door 4, hingedly mounted upon one of the uprights 1. A top or cover 5 is hinged to the back 3 of the holder, so as to readily admit of access within the same without opening the door 4 should this be necessary for any purpose. The sides, back, and door of the holder are removable, so as to permit of ready cooling of any pastry such as bread, pies, or similar articles of food should the holder be used for this purpose. When the parts 2, 3, 4, and 5 are displaced, a skeleton structure is had which allows air to freely circulate through the holder for the purposes above mentioned. In order to admit of the detachment and removal of the sides, back, and door, the uprights 1 are each provided with two vertical kerfs or grooves which receive the vertical edge portions of the parts 2, 3, and 4 when the latter are in position. The top or cover 5 being carried by the back 3 of the holder is of course displaced when the back is removed, and this cover is locked closed by means of catches 7, pivoted to the upper portions of the front uprights 1. The end uprights 1 are connected together at their upper ends by tie-rods 8, which are permanently secured to the said uprights. The lower ends of the uprights are secured together also by means of connecting-rods 9, which are detachably secured to these members. The front ends of the connecting-rods 9 are provided with heads, and the rear ends are threaded to receive a nut or similar fastening member by which the said rods are detachably secured. The pairs of end uprights 1 are hingedly secured together by the bottom 10 of the holder, which bottom has its end portions rolled so as to form journals to receive the connecting-rods 9 aforesaid. The corner portions of the bottom 10 are extended upwardly, as shown at 11, to form brace extensions, which are disposed in contact with the adjacent portions of the uprights and which serve to make the general frame structure more rigid.

Upon the inner side of the uprights 1 are disposed a plurality of supporting members 12 in the form of hooks or similar devices, and these members are utilized to support

trays 13, which are adapted to hold those articles which may be disposed within the receptacle. It will be understood that any number of the supporting members 12 may be provided and that same may be disposed at any desired intervals from each other to admit of adjustment of the positions of the trays 13 relative to each other. For instance, for larger articles it is desirable that the space between the trays 13 be more or less, as found necessary. The trays 13 preferably consist of frames of a form corresponding somewhat to the general form of the holder, and these frames are provided with cross-bars 14, which support the articles disposed thereon and which also admit of free circulation of air to quickly cool said articles. The trays not only serve in the capacity of supporting means for the articles of food, if such be disposed thereon, but rigidly brace the structure, affording a connection between the several uprights 1. In addition to the bottom 10, which connects the lower ends of the end uprights 1, these uprights are connected at their upper ends by means of brace-rods 15, which rods have their end portions bent downwardly, as shown at 16, and received by keepers 17 in the form of eyebolts secured to the uprights. The rods 15 are thus detachably mounted upon the uprights and when removed will readily admit of a pivotal movement of the end uprights to knock down the frame structure when it is not desired to use the holder. The door 4 is hinged to one of the front uprights 1, being mounted upon a pintle-rod 18, which is provided with a lateral extension 19 at its upper end, forming a handle by which said rod may be readily displaced to permit entire removal of the door from the holder when it is desired to have the skeleton structure only. The pintle-rod 18 is received by pintle members 25 and 26 upon the door 4 and an adjacent upright 1, respectively. Any substantial lock means 20 may be utilized for holding the door closed.

When the holder has its sides and inclosing parts in position, it is preferably utilized as a storing-receptacle, which may be disposed in any desired location and which will exclude any foreign matter from the holder, as well as keep the articles within the receptacle clean and wholesome. When it is desired to quickly cool newly-baked articles of food, for instance, the back is removed, together with the cover, which latter has been previously disengaged from the catches 7, after which the sides and door may be quickly displaced, leaving only the skeleton framework. To knock down the structure when it is not desired to use the same, it is only necessary to remove the several trays 13 and the upper brace-rods 15, after which the pairs of end uprights may be by a pivotal movement thrown in the position most clearly shown in Fig. 3. In order that the sides and door parts may be suitably supported when out of use, same are provided with handles 21, which are very conveniently used to sustain such parts, as well as in assembling and detaching the same in the use of the holder.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is—

1. In a holding-receptacle of the class described, the combination of corresponding pairs of end uprights, rods connecting the lower ends of said end uprights, a bottom hingedly secured at its ends to the connecting-rods aforesaid, and detachable connecting means between the upper ends of the said uprights.

2. In a holding-receptacle of the class described, the combination of end uprights, rods connecting the lower ends of the end uprights, a bottom secured to the connecting-rods aforesaid and supported thereby, removable connecting-rods securing the upper ends of the uprights together, supporting members projected from the inner sides of the uprights, and trays carried by and detachable from the said supporting members.

3. In a holding-receptacle of the class described, the combination of pairs of end uprights, rods connecting the lower ends of each of the pairs of uprights, other connecting-rods permanently connecting the upper ends of each of the pairs of uprights, removable brace-rods connecting corresponding upper ends of the uprights of each pair aforesaid, supporting members secured to the inner sides of the uprights, trays mounted upon said supporting members, and sides removably secured to the uprights.

4. In a holding-receptacle of the class described, the combination of pairs of end uprights, connecting-rods between the lower and upper ends of the uprights of each pair, removable brace-rods connecting the upper ends of corresponding uprights of each pair, the uprights being provided upon their inner sides with supporting members, trays supported on said members, the uprights being also provided upon their inner sides with longitudinal grooves, sides and back parts having their edge portions received by the grooves of the uprights, a cover hinged to the back, a door hingedly secured to one of the front uprights, a bottom supported by the connecting-rods at the lower ends of adjacent uprights, and brace extensions projected from the bottom adjacent the uprights for the purpose specified.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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