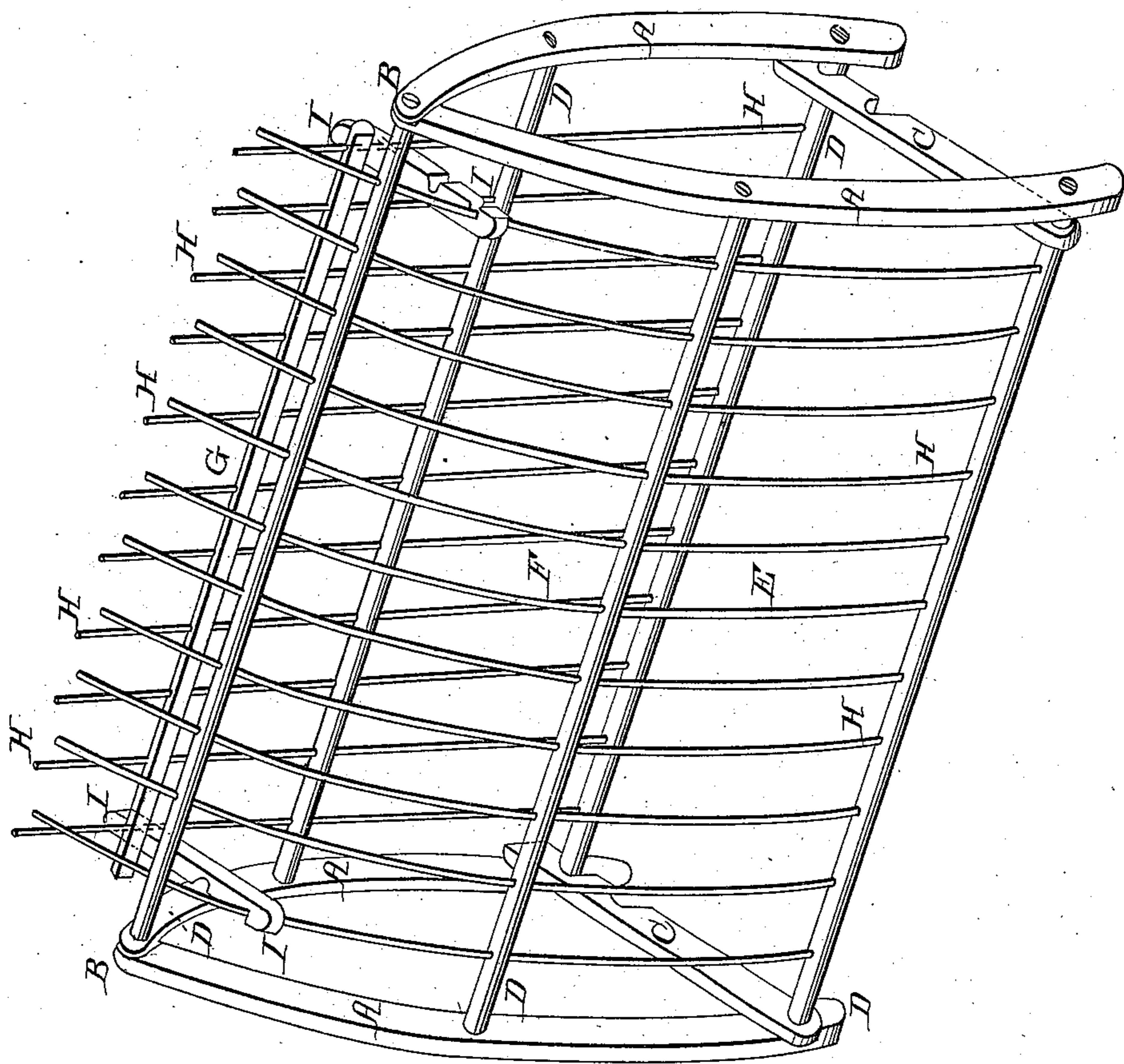


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## DISH DRAINER AND DRIER.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 53,055, dated March 6, 1866.

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, R. W. STONE and H. A. KENDRICK, of Rowe, in the county of Franklin and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and Improved Mode of Draining and Drying Table-Ware; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, and to the letters of reference made thereto.

The nature of our invention consists of a graduated adjustable frame for draining and drying table-ware, which saves the time and labor of wiping, the parts of which, for the sake of convenience, we name as follows: "braces," "slats," and "rods," with "adjusting-latches."

The braces A may be straight or sections of a circle, as per drawing, arranged in pairs at each end of the frame, connected at the top by a movable joint, B, diverging downward to the adjusting-latch C, from thence to the ends of the braces, which are sufficiently spread to secure the safe upright position of the frame.

The slats D are inserted in the braces A at points convenient to divide the frame into sections, which we name "lower section," E, "intermediate," F, and "upper section," G. There may be one or more intermediate sections.

The length of the sections is equal, being the space between the two braces A. The height of the sections is different, that of the lower, E, being the greater and sufficient to admit dining-plates. The intermediate sections are designed for the reception of tea plates and saucers, and are of sufficient capacity also to hold dining-plates, and both lower and intermediate sections are adjustable to large and small plates by the adjusting-latches C, con-

necting the lower ends of the braces A. The upper section, G, is designed for the reception of sauce-plates and smaller articles.

The rods H are inserted in the slats D, front and back, parallel with the braces A, and graduated at a distance apart sufficient for the admission of the thickest plates, and by the removal of one or more rods, H, which is easily done, larger dishes may be admitted. The top ends of the rods are adjustable by latches I, attached to the upper rods, holding the rods close, so that the rods, front and back, cross, or holding them apart, so that the ends of the rods, front and back, come together, thus adapting this section of the frame not only to the reception of sauce-plates and smaller articles, but to the hanging of tea-cups, tumblers, bowls, &c., on the ends of the rods.

Frames may be made to order by more or less intermediate sections, greater or less length of slats, and, as a consequence, more or less rods.

The adjustable frame may be made of metal or wood. We have tested said frame, and are convinced that it not only saves labor and time, but that the brilliancy and luster of table-ware dried by our process are superior to that dried by the old process of wiping.

What we claim as our invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The arrangement and combination of the braces A, latches C I, slats D, and rods H, as herein described, and for the purposes set forth.

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