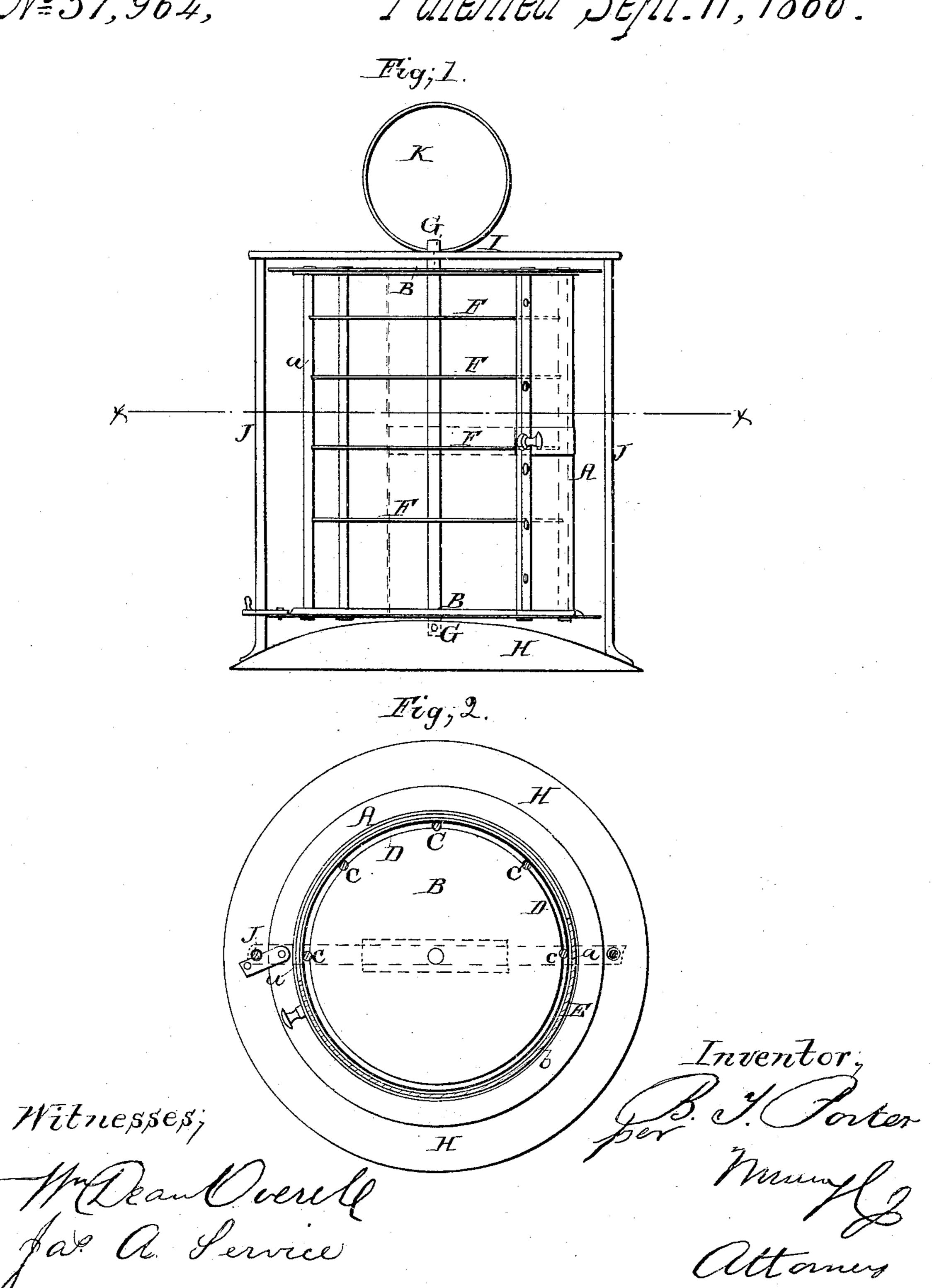
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## IMPROVED TABLE-STAND FOR FOOD.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 57,964, dated September 11, 1866.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, BENJAMIN F. PORTER, of Manchester, in the county of Hillsborough and State of New Hampshire, have invented a new and Improved Table-Stand for Articles of Food; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part

of this specification.

The present invention relates to a novel and useful stand—for the reception of pies, meats, and other articles of food-heretofore invented by me in connection with Humphrey M. Glines, and patented on the 2d day of January, A. D. 1866; and it consists in so hanging the casing for the reception of the articles intended to be placed and kept in it upon a suitable stand or frame that it can be revolved in a horizontal plane, and also in the use of a sliding door to the said casing in lieu of a swinging door, as described in the schedule annexed to the Letters Patent referred to.

In accompanying plate of drawings my improvements are illustrated, Figure 1 being a side elevation of the table-stand made according therete; Fig. 2, a horizontal section taken in the plane of the line x x, Fig. 1.

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parts.

A A in the drawings represent the frame of the casing, consisting of two circular disks or end plates, B B, secured together by a series of vertical rods, C C, extending around one-half, or nearly so, of their peripheries, over which rods from one head-plate to the other a sheet of wire gauze or netting, D, is placed, bent around into the form of a semicircle. The remaining and open portion between the two edges a a of such wire-netting D is closed by a semicircular-shaped wire-netting or gauze door, E, inserted in suitable grooves or ways b b of each of the casing-heads B, in which grooves the said door slides around and about the stationary portion D of the gauze cover- |

ing above referred to, when desired to open or close the said casing.

F is a series of parallel horizontal shelves secured within the frame-casing A, upon which the articles of food to be kept in it are to be placed.

G is a pin or pivot secured to the center of each end plate of the casing, and, respectively, turning in the base-plate H of the table-stand, and horizontal cross-bar I, supported at each end by upright posts or rods JJ of the standbase H, the said casing turning or revolving in a horizontal plane by the said center pins G.

K is a handle secured to the upper side of the cross-bar I, by which handle the stand can be readily carried or moved about from place

to place.

L is a catch hung to lower end plate of casing, which, when interlocked with one of the side posts J, holds the casing in place.

By arranging the food-casing of the stand so as to revolve, it is obvious a very convenient stand for use is provided; and with a sliding door less room or space is required for opening and closing it than in such stands having a swinging door—a quite important advantage.

The stand-casing, in lieu of being made round or cylindrica!, may be made of other and various shape, such as square or polygonal, &c., and either used with or without a wire-gauze covering, as may be deemed most desirable.

I claim as new and desire to secure by Let-

ters Patent—

1. The revolving table-stand, consisting of the end plates B B, rods C C, gauze-netting d, shelves F, pin G, base H, cross-bar I, posts J, and catch L, constructed and arranged in the manner and for the purpose herein specified.

2. In combination with the above, the sliding door E, arranged and operating as herein

described.

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