

*E.E. Everett—Improvement in Racks or Holders for Towels, etc.*

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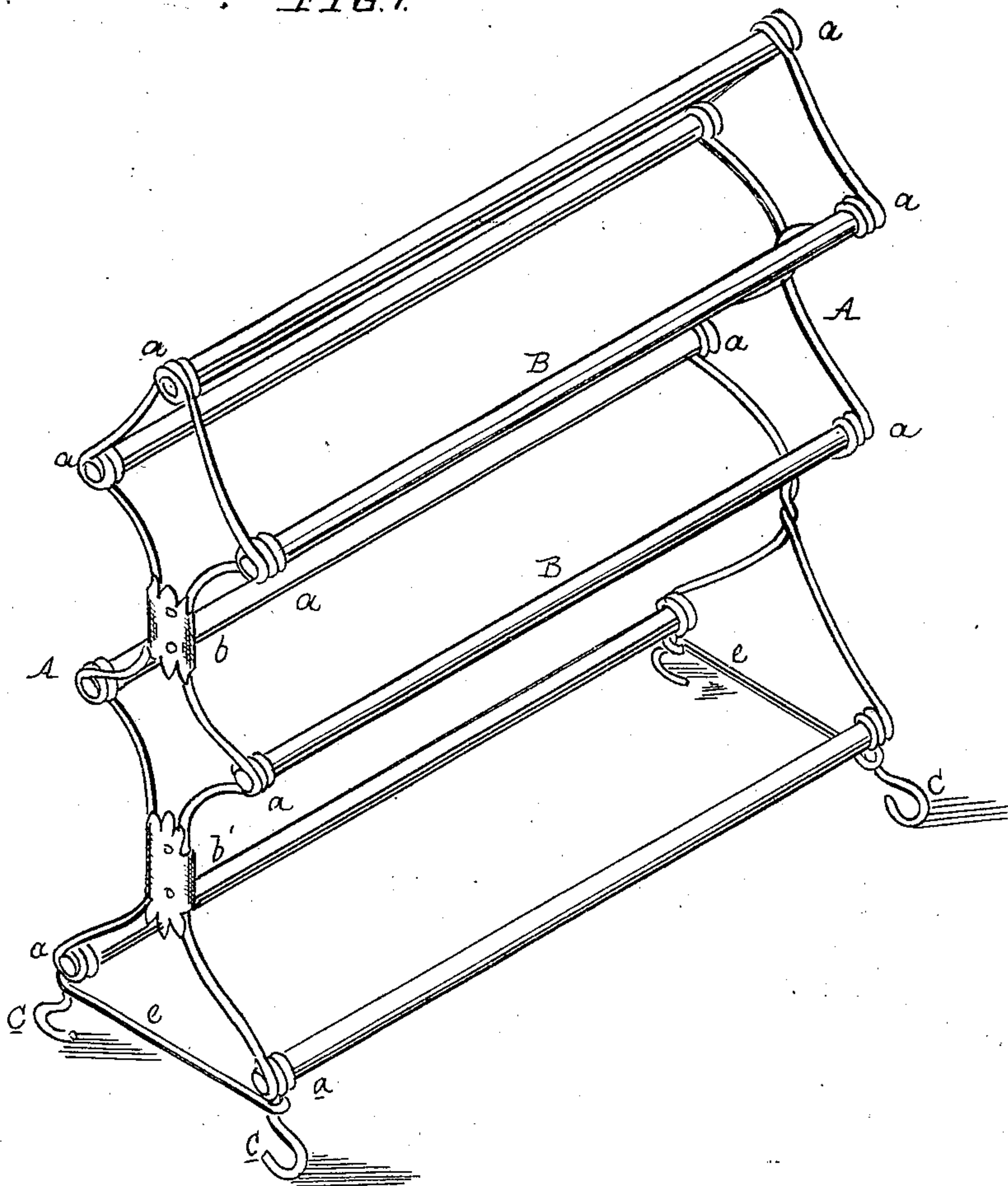


FIG. 2.

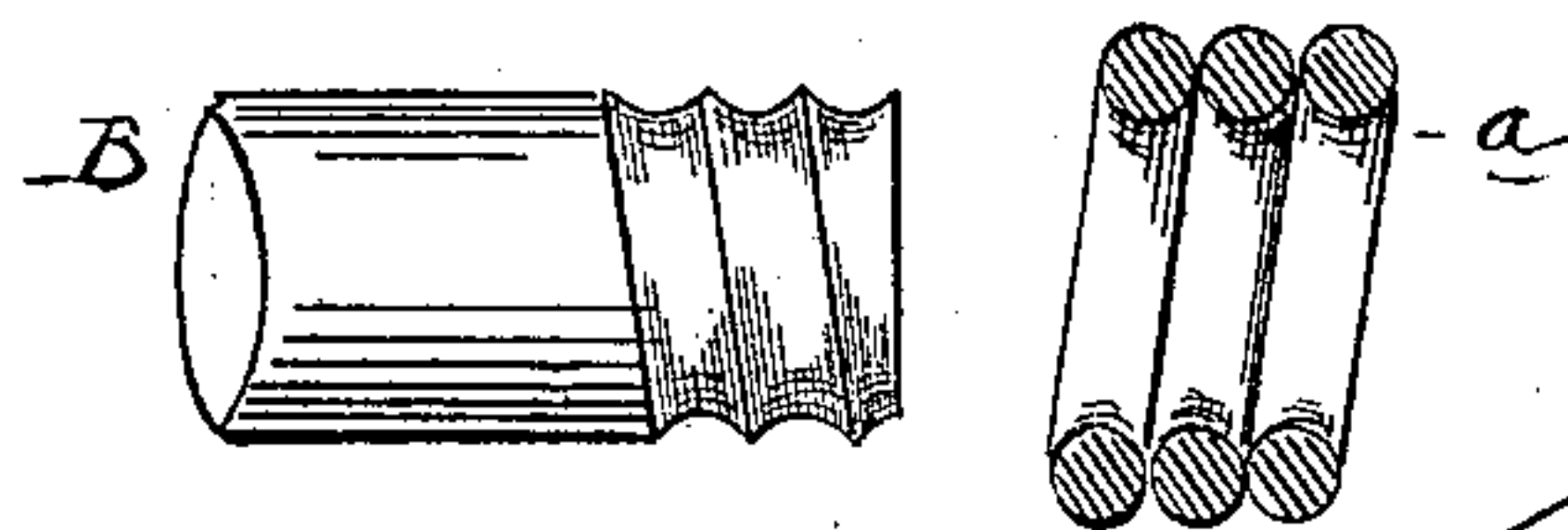
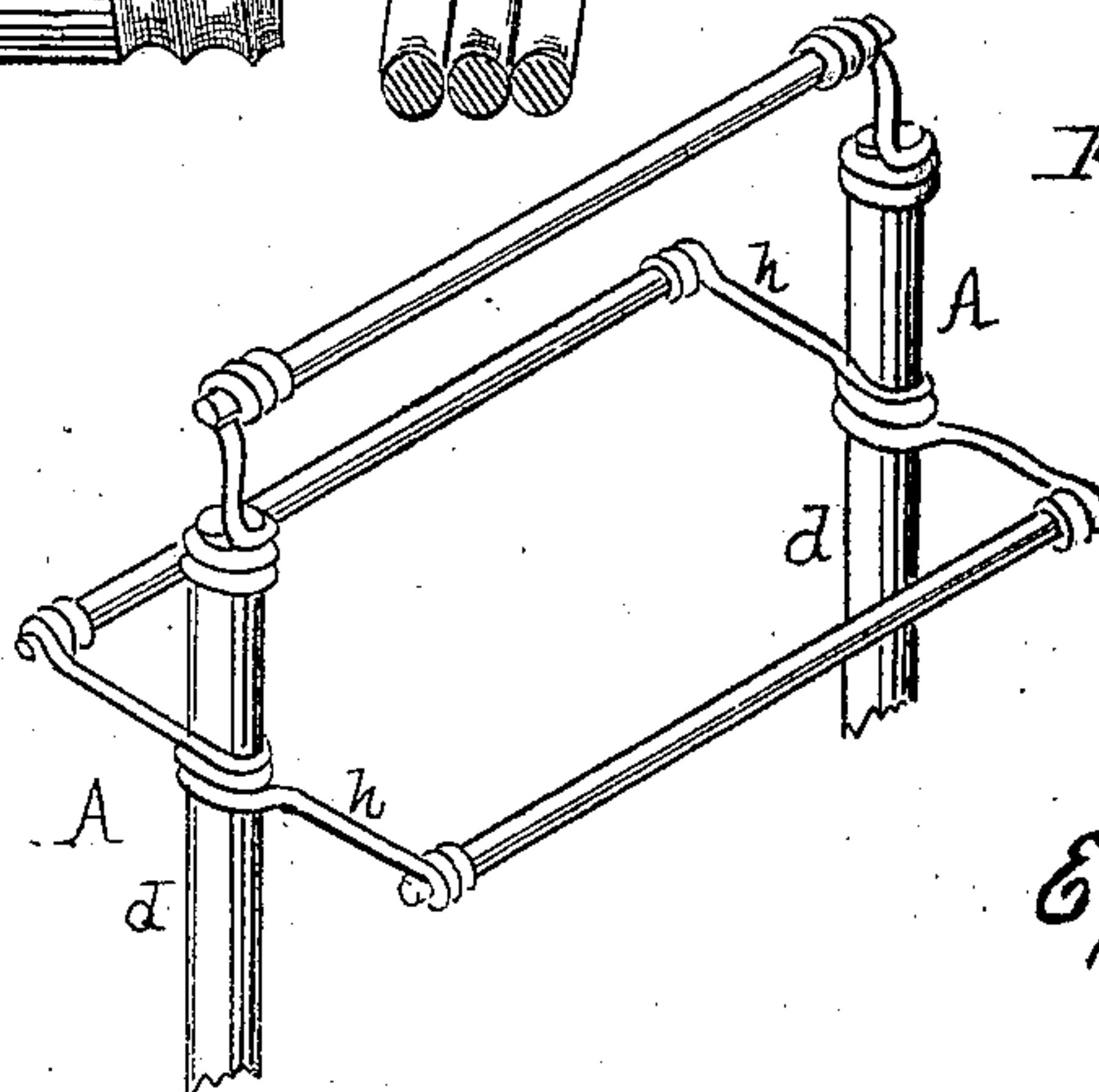


FIG. 3.



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*Letters Patent No. 73,517, dated January 21, 1868.*

## IMPROVED RACK FOR TOWELS.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

### TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, ELISHA E. EVERITT, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, have invented an Improvement in Racks or Holders for Towels, &c.; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same.

My invention consists of a rack composed of side frames and cross-pieces, constructed and connected together as fully described hereafter, so as to form a strong, firm, and durable rack, the parts of which, however, may be readily disconnected from each other, when necessary.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to make my invention, I will now proceed to describe the construction of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, which forms a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved rack or holder for towels, &c.

Figure 2, a detached view of part of the rack, and

Figure 3, a perspective view, illustrating a modification.

The rack consists of side pieces, A A, and cross-bars or rods, B B, and each side piece, in the present instance, is composed of a continuous piece of wire, which, at suitable intervals, is bent, so as to form short coils, *a a a*, and is doubled at the central coils, the two portions being connected between the coils, by twisting them together, or by means of clamps, *b b'*, as shown in fig. 1. The ends of the wire composing each frame are bent, to form feet, *c c*, and are connected by a cross-wire, *e*. Each coil *a* forms a socket for the reception of one end of one of the rods or cross-pieces B, the latter being driven into the socket, which slightly expands, to admit of the introduction of the rod, and consequently grips the latter firmly, and holds it securely in its position; or the cross-piece may be screwed into the socket, the coils of wire forming threads which indent the rod, as it is introduced, and produce corresponding threads upon the end of the same, as shown in fig. 2. The side frames, instead of being composed entirely of wire, may consist of bars, *d d*, fig. 3, to which are secured wire arms, *h h*, the latter being bent into coils at the outer ends, to form sockets for the reception of the ends of the cross-pieces,

A rack constructed as above described, is firm, strong, and durable, and, while the parts of which it is composed are so firmly secured together that they cannot be detached by the usage to which the rack is ordinarily subjected, they may be readily disconnected when it is necessary, and may then be packed in a smaller space than would be occupied by the rack.

I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

A rack or holder, to the side pieces of which are secured coils *a*, of wire, adapted for the reception of the ends of rods extending between the side pieces, all substantially as described.

In testimony whereof, I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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