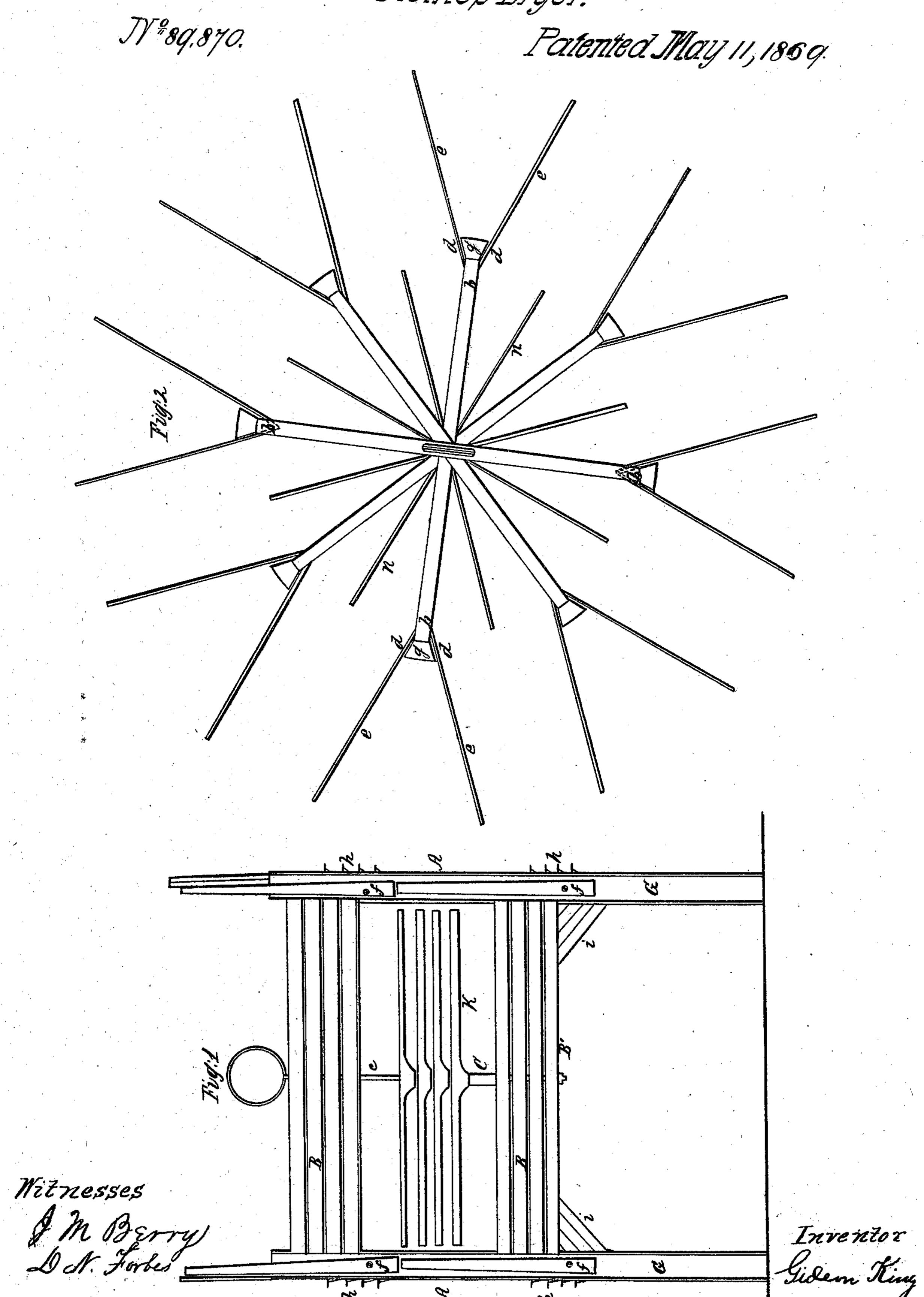
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Letters Patent No. 89,870, dated May 11, 1869.

IMPROVED CLOTHES-DRIER.

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, GIDEON KING, of the town of Eminence, in the county of Henry, and State of Kentucky, have invented a new and useful improved "Self-Supporting, Framed Folding Clothes-Drier;" and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a plain side view when folded.

Figure 2 is a view of the upper end when unfolded, and consists in combining two, three, four, or more frames.

A A, fig. 1, made with two uprights, G G, and two horizontal bars, (each,) B B, interlocked and confined together by means of an iron rod, c, through the centre of said bars perpendicularly, on which the frames have a rotative motion for folding and unfolding.

The inner sides or edges of the uprights g g, fig. 2, are bevelled at d d d d, or reduced to the thickness of the bars b b b, where they are tenoned into said uprights, the outside of which uprights is sufficiently thick or wide to cause the inner ends of the arms e e e e (when unfolded) to extend under the bars b b b, when confined to said uprights by screws at f f f, fig. 1, by which extension the arms e e e e, fig. 2, are held up firmly in a horizontal position; which bevel also causes a divergence of the arms e e e e at any angle desired.

A galvanized metallic plate, h h h h, fig. 1, (or its equivalent, shaped at right angles,) is confined to the outside of the uprights G G, on which the arms e e e e rest when unfolded or in use.

A set of rotating arms, K, fig. 1, operates on rod c, on the upper end of tube l, between the upper and lower bars B B, and occupies spaces n n, fig. 2, when in use.

The lower bars B' and uprights G G, fig. 1, are braced, ii, in order to permanence and strength to the said uprights, which act as legs for the device.

Thus constructed, it can be folded closely with the folding arms fitting close against the uprights, and when unfolded, forms a circle, the arms pointing in every direction from the centre, having capacity for a large amount of clothing in a small space, and occupying but little space when folded.

What I claim as my improvements, and desire to

secure by Letters Patent, is-

The frames A A, rod o, bevels d d d d, arms e e e e, plates h h h h, arms K, tube l, and braces i i, when combined, arranged, and constructed substantially as and for the purpose specified.

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