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Dining Table.

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Fig. 2

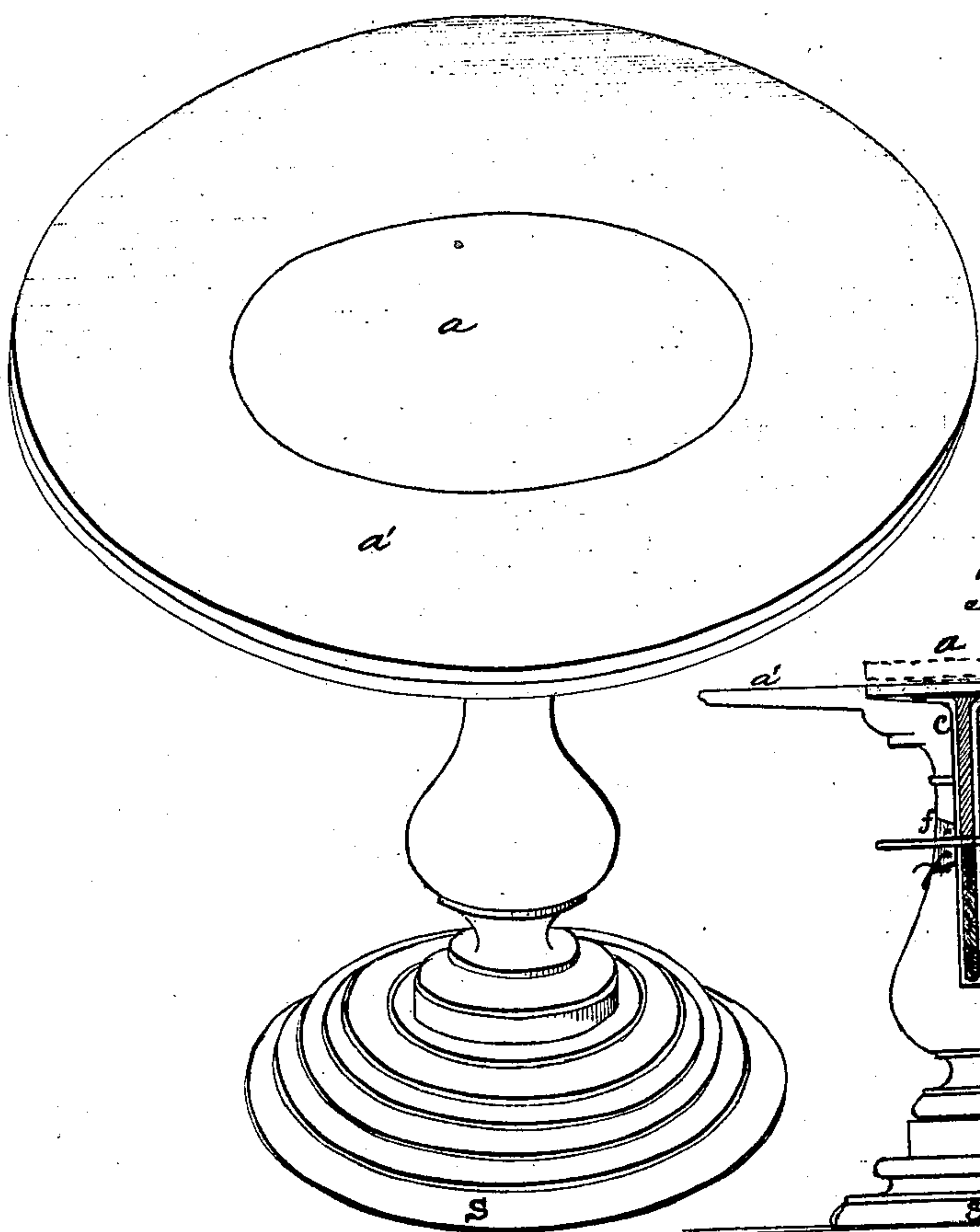
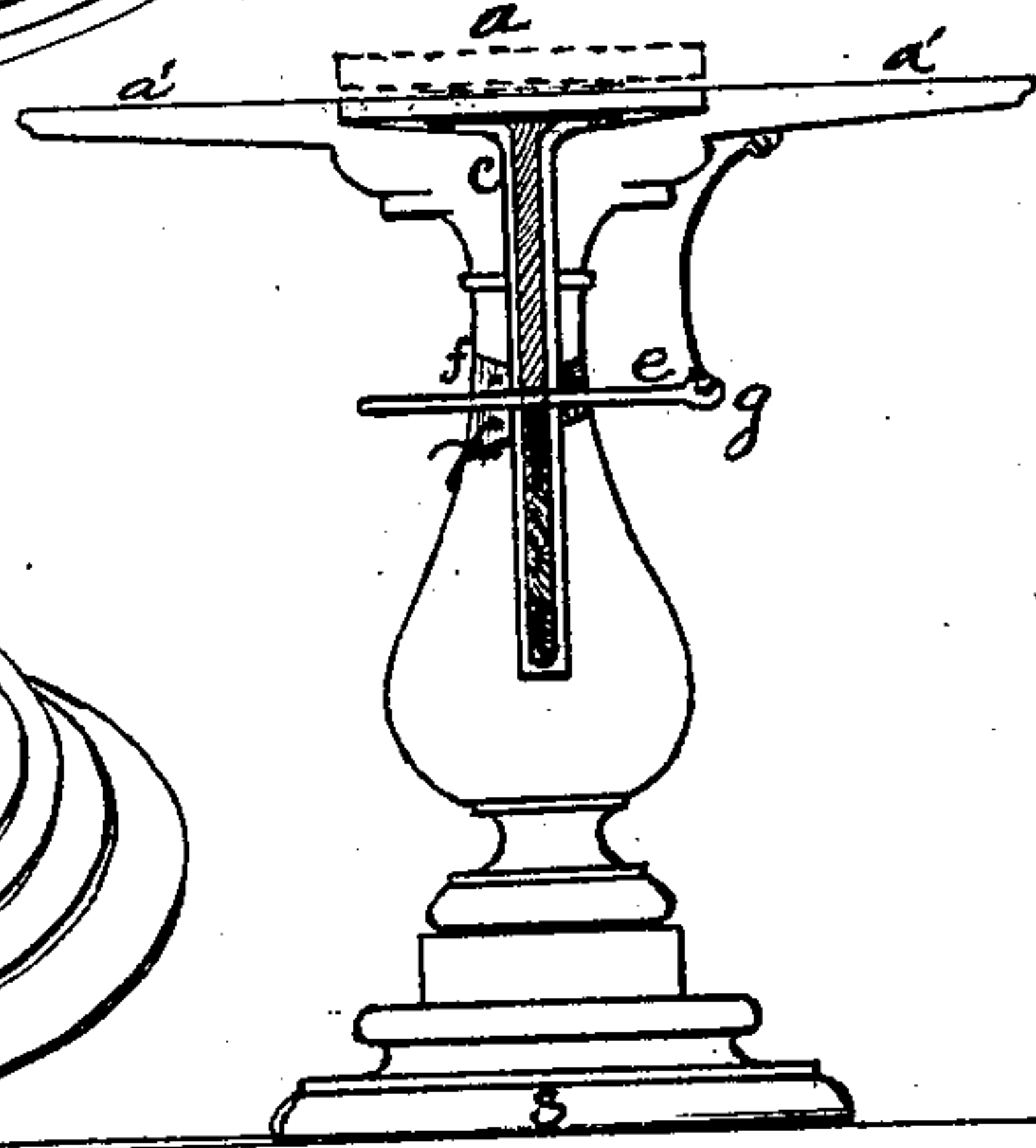


Fig. 1



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IMPROVEMENT IN DINING-TABLES.

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, RUSSEL C. CASE, of the town of Guilderland, county of Albany and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Dining-Tables; and I hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing and to the letters of reference marked thereon, the same letters always referring to the same part of said improvement.

The improvement consists in an adjustable circular center piece, which may be elevated above the surrounding sides or margin of the table, and in this position be made to revolve upon its center, for the purpose of bringing in front of those seated at the table, and within their reach, any article placed thereon, thus dispensing with the necessity of employing persons to distribute articles of food or drink, either by reaching over and across the table or by passing around it. It is made adjustable for the purpose of depressing the center piece to a level with the plane of the surrounding sides of the table, so as to bring the top of the table to one plane surface as an ordinary table for other uses.

The accompanying drawing represents such improved table and the means by which the same is operated.

Figure 1 represents the table as ready for use with my improvements attached, showing the means by which the same is operated.

In this fig. 1—

a represents the adjustable portion of the table raised above the surface of the permanent portions of the same when used as a dumb-waiter.

c is the pivot resting upon the lever *e*.

This figure represents a vertical section of the table, for the purpose of showing the arrangement by which the adjustable portion thereof, *a*, is elevated and depressed.

When the adjustable portion is to be elevated for use, the lever *e* is lifted to *f*, and, by means of a pin, is held in position in the upper portion of the slot at *f*.

When the adjustable portion is to be used as a part of the common table, the lever is depressed to the slot at *x*.

Figure 2 represents the table thus arranged as a common plane-surface table.

a is the adjustable center, and *a'* is the outer portion of the leaf of the table.

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

The arrangement and combination of the adjustable portion of the table *a* with the lateral portions thereof, *a'*, and the pivot *c* and lever *e*, or its equivalent, substantially as and for the purpose described.

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