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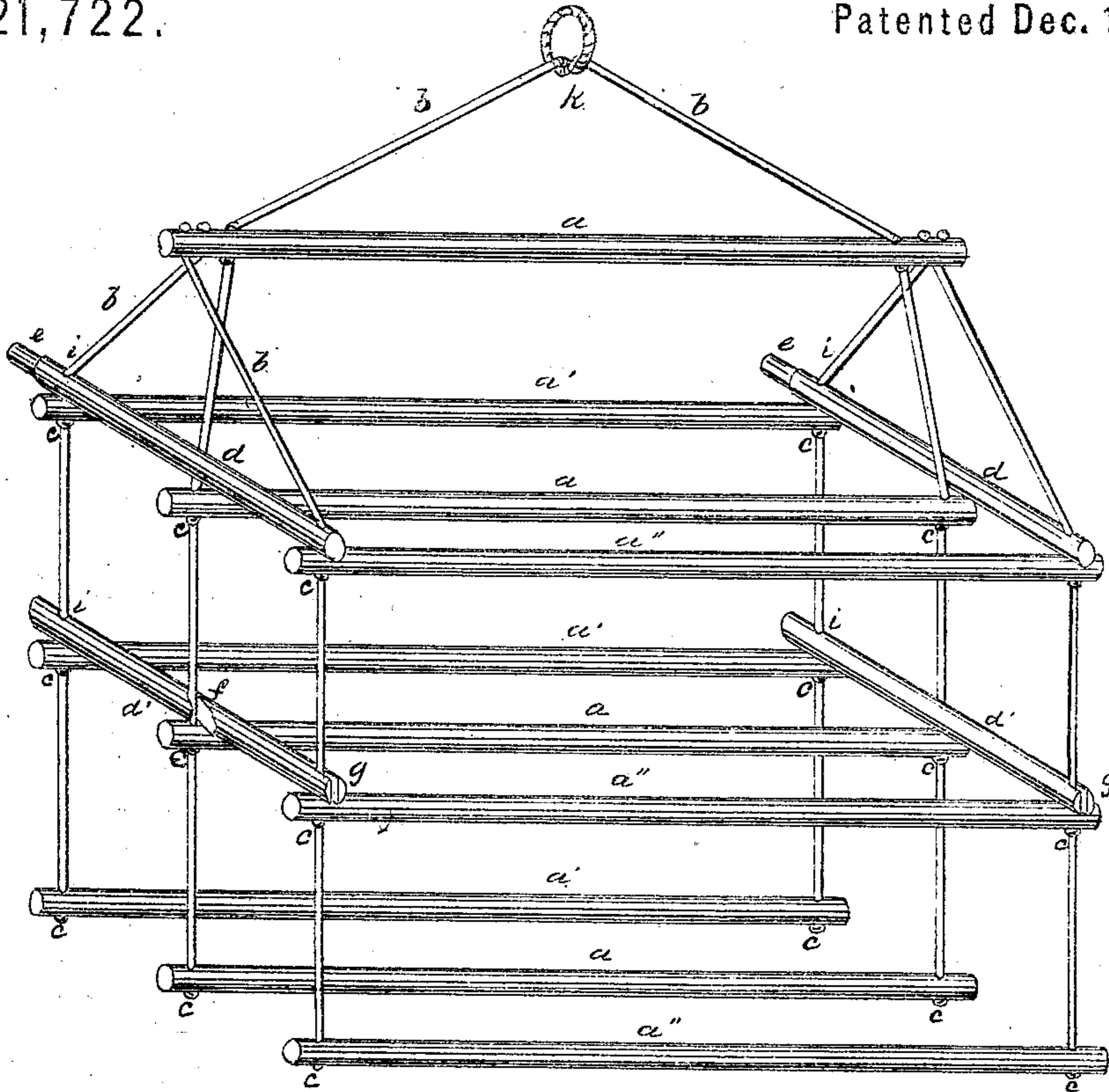


Fig. 1.

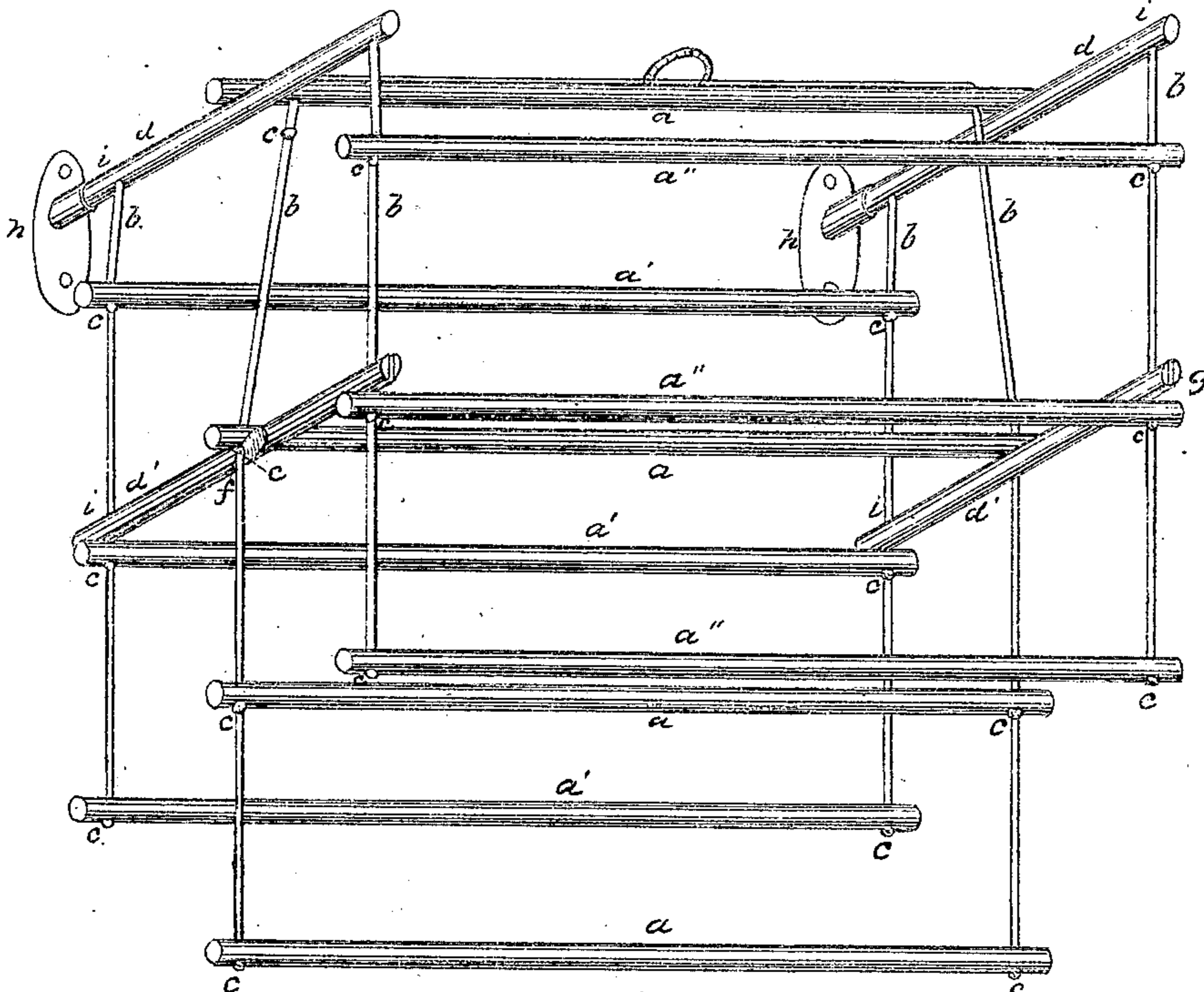


Fig. 2.

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IMPROVEMENT IN CLOTHES-DRIERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE AUGUSTUS KEENE, of Lynn, in the county of Essex and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Clothes-Driers, of which the following is a specification:

The nature of this invention consists in making a clothes-drier by arranging upon knotted strings a series of rods of suitable size to constitute, when suspended, a clothes-frame; and combining two or more such frames by means of spreaders suitably attached into a compact drier; in arranging, in connection with such composite drier, a suspending apparatus.

The drawing represents, in Figure 1, the said drier composed of three frames, when arranged to suspend from the ceiling or wall-brackets; and in Fig. 2, the same frame suspended from wall-sockets by aid of the spreaders.

The bars *a a' a''* are bored at the ends and strung upon cords *b*, knotted to prevent the sliding of the bars, or clamped or fastened to them in any suitable manner. To prevent the contact of the frames thus formed spreaders *d d'* are also

attached to the cords, preferably so as to be readily detached, by scarfs *f* and *g* from all but one of the cords *b*. The upper spreader *d* is made so as to fit into wall-sockets *h*, so that the drier may either be hung from a ring, *K*, or suspended by the spreader *d*, as preferred.

The compactness, space for drying, and lightness of this contrivance render it an important improvement in laundry furniture.

I claim—

1. The arrangement of the clothes-frames *a a' a''*, hung upon cords *b*, and having spreaders *d'* and *d*, of which *d* is longer than *d'*, in combination with a suitable suspending attachment, substantially as described.

2. The arrangement of the drier, consisting of the clothes-frames *a a' a''* strung upon cords *b* and having spreaders *d d'*, with wall-sockets *h*, substantially as and for the purpose described.

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