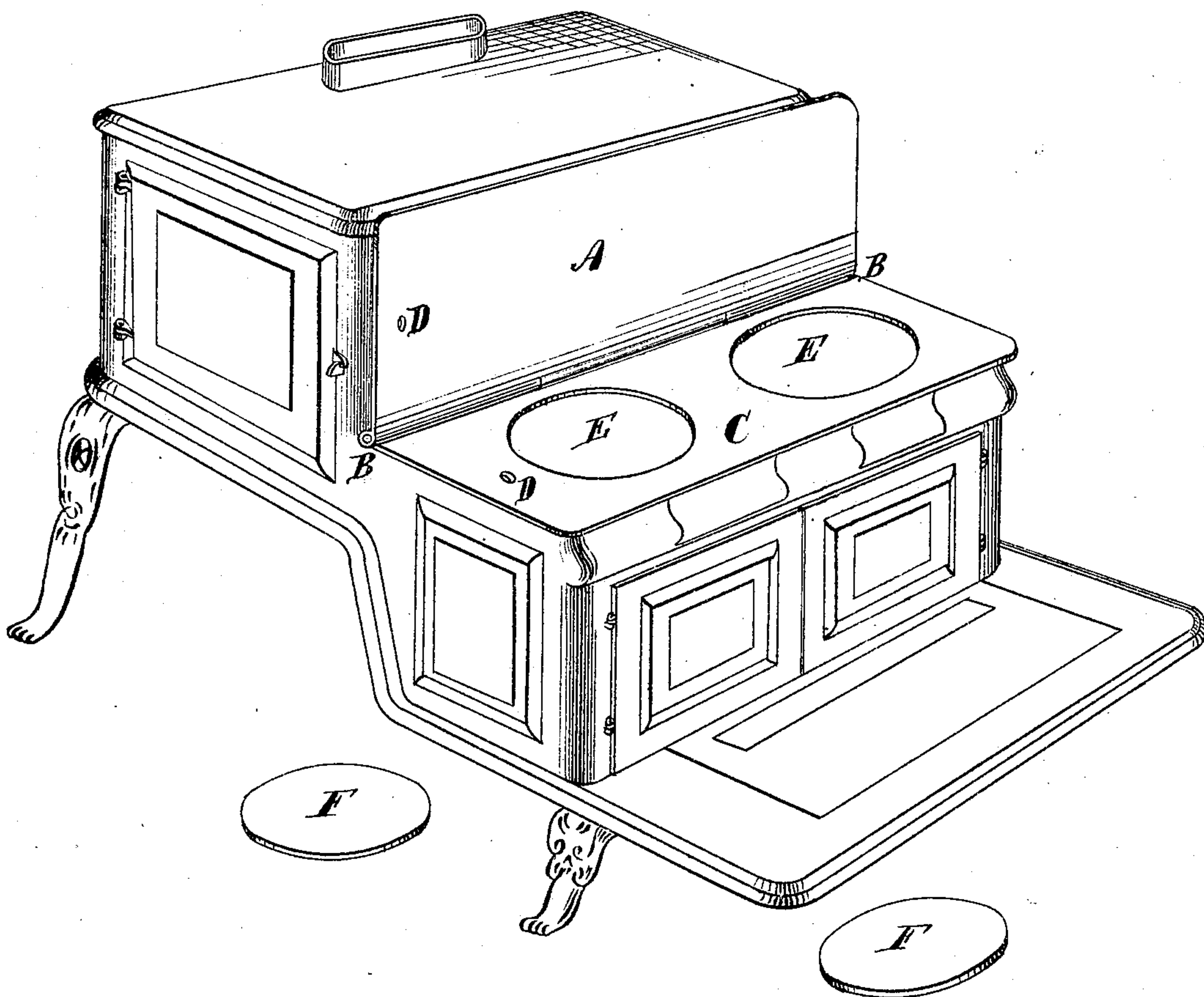


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Detachable Shield for the Pot Holes of Cooking Stoves.

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IMPROVEMENT IN DETACHABLE SHIELDS FOR THE POT-HOLES OF COOKING-STOVES.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 123,975, dated February 27, 1872.

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ABE BRITTON, of Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Device for a Shield for a Step-Stove; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawing making a part of this specification, and is a perspective view of the shield when in use.

Letters A and C are pieces of sheet-iron or other metal, secured to each other by means of the hinge B B. D D are openings, forming a hole by which to hang the device up when closed. E E are openings, made to suit the pot-holes of the stove, which openings are closed, when the pot-hole covers are on, by means of plates F F. Letter A is prevented from falling forward when in use by the con-

struction of the hinge, being allowed to close only when taken from the stove.

By this device the stove may be effectually prevented from becoming soiled by grease or dirt of any kind while cooking, and while not being used may be removed without interfering with the usefulness of the stove in other respects; not being a portion of the stove itself, but merely a utensil.

*Claim.*

The arrangement of the sheets A and C, with their openings D D and E E, with the hinge B B and plates F F, as constructed and arranged, for the purpose described.

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