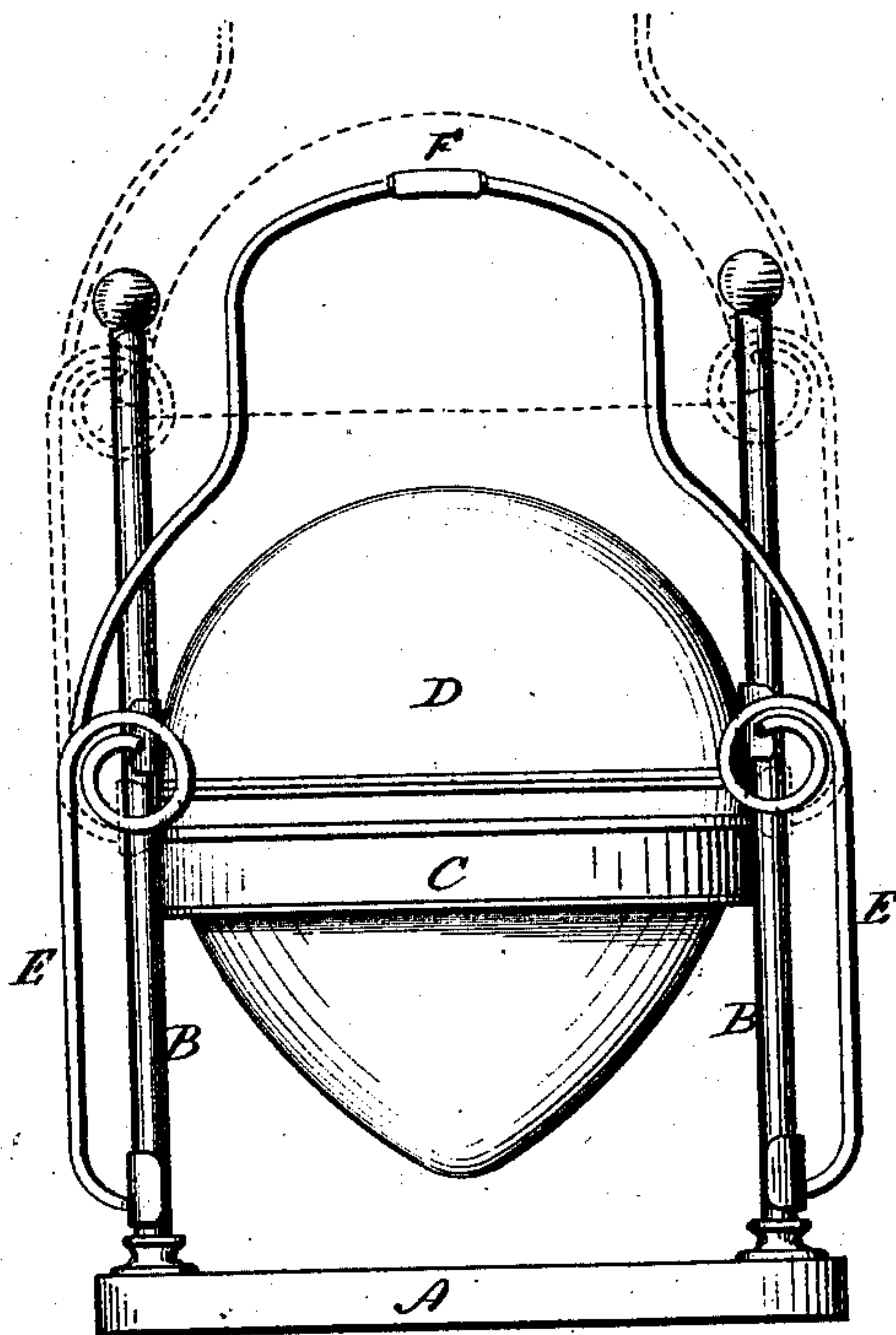


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Covered Table Ware.

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IMPROVEMENT IN COVERED TABLE-WARES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HORACE C. WILCOX, of West Meriden, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented a new Improvement in Covered Table-Ware; and I do hereby declare the following, when taken in connection with the accompanying drawing and the letters of reference marked thereon, to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, and which said drawing constitutes part of this specification, and represents a side view.

This invention relates to an improvement in that class of table-ware which has a removable cover, particularly designed for butter-dishes and like purposes, the object being to raise the cover bodily from the dish without detaching it therefrom; and the invention consists in attaching the cover to a vertical slide, whereby the cover may be raised vertically from the dish, and held suspended until closed by forcing down the cover.

A is the base, from which rise two uprights, B B; C, a dish, which is attached to the uprights or base, or any convenient arrangement for its support. D is the cover; E E, a slide working upon the uprights, so as to be moved up and down, as denoted by the broken lines. To this slide the cover is attached. The slide moves upon the uprights with sufficient fric-

tion to retain it in a raised position. For convenience, the slide is carried up in the form of a handle, F, by which to transport the dish, as well as to raise the cover.

The form of the dish or the support of the parts have nothing to do with this invention, it only being essential that they be in substantially the relative position described; hence the form shown in the drawing is only for convenience of illustration.

I am aware that articles of table-service have before been made with the covers arranged to be raised vertically from the dish, and supported at a fixed elevated position, as in the patent of H. S. and F. M. Goff, July 14, 1868. I therefore do not wish to be understood as broadly claiming the arrangement of the cover of table-ware so that it may be raised and supported vertically above the dish.

I claim as my invention—

In combination with a dish, C, provided with one or more vertical guides, the cover D, provided with corresponding frictional slide, whereby the said cover may be held at any point of elevation between its two extremes, substantially as described.

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