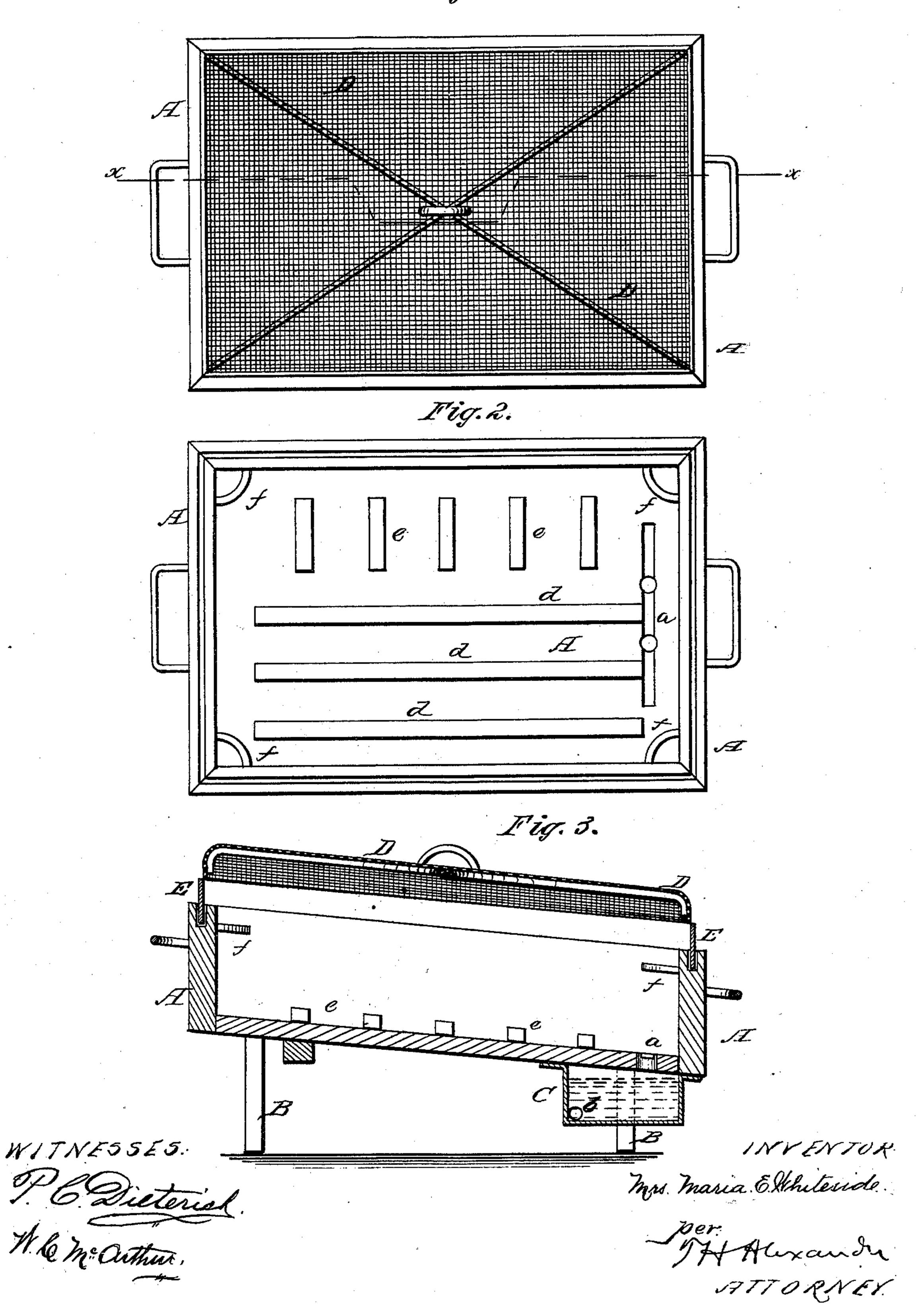
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DISH-WASHER.

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Fig. Z.



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IMPROVEMENT IN DISH-WASHERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARIA E. WHITESIDE, of Polo, in the county of Ogle and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Dish-Washers; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form part of this specification.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction and arrangement of a box for draining dishes, as will be hereinafter more

fully set forth.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view of my dish-drainer with the cover on. Fig. 2 is a similar view of the same with the cover off. Fig. 3 is a sec-

tion through the line x x, Fig. 1.

A represents a box of suitable dimensions, made water-tight, and supported in an inclined position on legs B B. Under the lower end of the box is a receiver, C, into which the water from the dishes runs through perforations a in the bottom of the box. The receiver C is provided with a suitable outlet, b, to draw off the water accumulated therein. On the bottom of the box C are longitudinal cleats d d, and also short transverse cleats e e, which form rests, against which the dishes are placed. In the corners of the box are rings f, or their equivalent, to form holders for spoons.

The dishes are to be washed in the usual manner, and then placed in the box A, when the water will soon drain off and the dishes become dry, thus saving the time and labor of wiping, as well as the expense of towels and the trouble of washing said towels.

The box is covered by a wire-cloth cover, D, which is, around its edges, provided with a sheet-metal rim, E, to fit in grooves made in the edges of the sides of the box, thus effect-

ually excluding flies.

The legs B may be dispensed with, when the receiver C may form the support of the box at the lower end, and a cleat of suitable thickness the support at the upper end.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by

Letters Patent, is—

1. The inclined box A, provided with perforations a, cleats d e, and rings f, and having the receiver C attached to its under side, substantially as and for the purposes herein set forth.

2. The wire-cloth cover D, provided with sheet-metal rim E, in combination with the grooved sides of the dish-drainer box A, for the purposes set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of two

witnesses.

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