

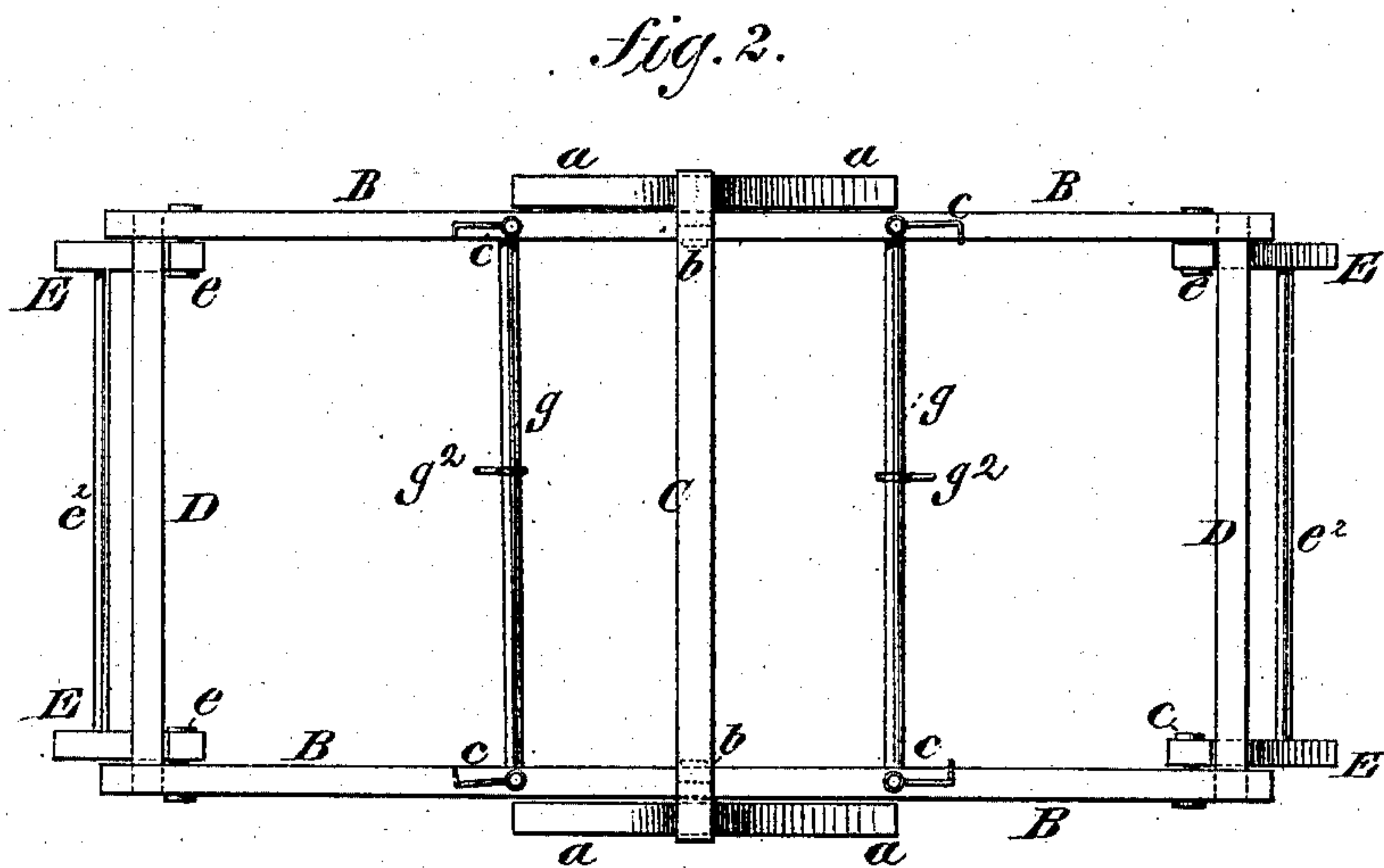
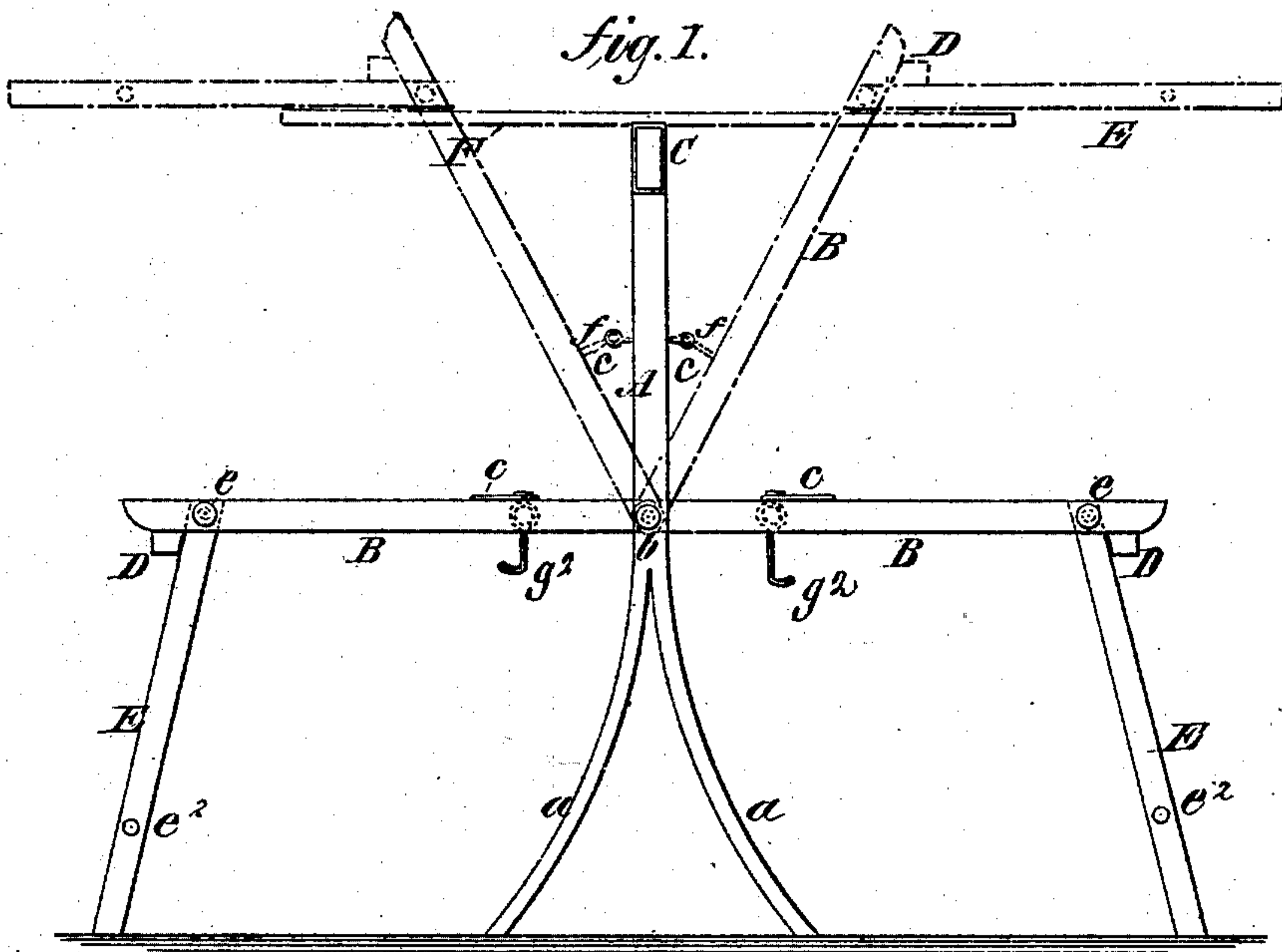
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES S. DUNCAN, of Browning, in the county of Linn and State of Missouri, have invented a new and Improved
5 Combined Tub-Stand and Clothes-Rack, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention consists essentially in a novel construction, arrangement, and combination
10 of two frames pivoted at their inner ends to each other and to standards, and provided at their outer ends with legs or supports pivoted at their upper ends to said frames, said frames forming, when lowered, a stand for tubs and
15 other articles, and when raised serving, together with the said legs and the braces thereof, as a rack for clothes and other articles, substantially as hereinafter described.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying
20 drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both the figures.

Figure 1 is a side view of my invention, the full lines showing the arrangement of the parts
25 when used as a stand for tubs, and the dotted lines showing the positions the frames and auxiliary parts occupy when raised for use as a clothes-rack. Fig. 2 is a top view of the same.

30 A A are standards, bifurcated at their lower ends to form legs *a a*. They are connected at or near their upper ends by a horizontal beam, C, to which a wringer may be attached.

B B are bars, which, with the braces D, to
35 which their outer ends are attached, form the frames for the support of tubs and other articles. The said bars B are pivoted at their inner ends to the corresponding bars of the opposite frame, and also to the standards A,
40 by bolts or pivots *b*, and are provided at their outer ends with legs or supports E, which are pivoted at their upper ends to said bars B by bolts or pivots *e*. The said bars B are provided with hooks *c*, which engage with eyes
45 *f*, placed in a suitable position upon the standards A, for the purpose of securing said bars in a nearly upright position when desired.

The legs E are provided at or near their lower ends with one or more connecting-
50 rounds, *e*². The legs E are prevented from slipping outward by the beam D, which extends below the bars B, as shown in Fig. 1.

The bars F (shown in the dotted lines in

Fig. 1) are used for the purpose of supporting the legs E in a horizontal position, or
55 nearly so, when the apparatus is used as a clothes-rack. The middle parts of said bars rest upon the beams C, while the ends are placed under the legs E, as shown in said dotted lines.

The operation of my invention is as follows:
When the apparatus is in the position shown
in full lines in Fig. 1 each of the frames can
be used to support a tub, and a clothes wringer
may be secured to the cross-beam C.
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When it is desired to use the apparatus as
a clothes-rack the bars B are raised to the po-
sitions shown in dotted lines in Fig. 1, and
they and the legs E are supported in said po-
sition by the bars F. The clothes may then
70 be hung on the bars C and D and rounds *e*², and also, if necessary, upon the legs E. When the apparatus is folded up for transportation or other purposes the frames are held in nearly
a vertical position by the hooks *c*, the legs
75 E hanging downward also in nearly a vertical position, thus occupying but little space.

Among the advantages of my invention may
be cited the following: It is very convenient
for using a wringer, the place for the attach-
80 ment thereof being between the tubs, one of which may contain the clothes to be wrung and the other be placed to receive the clothes after wringing. Any style of wringer may be
used. When used as a clothes-rack it is much
85 stronger and stable than some of those in use. It can be folded up into a very small compass when not in use. It is self-supporting. If desired, the bars B may be connected by bars
g with hooks *g*² for engagement with the
90 rounds *e*².

Having thus described my invention, I claim
as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

A combined rack and stand having two frames
pivoted at their inner ends to each other as
95 well as to standards, and provided with outer braced legs pivoted at their upper ends to the frames, and a horizontal bar for holding the legs in a horizontal position when the frames are raised, whereby a rack will be formed when
100 the frames are raised, and a stand when they are lowered, as described.

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