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Fig. 1.

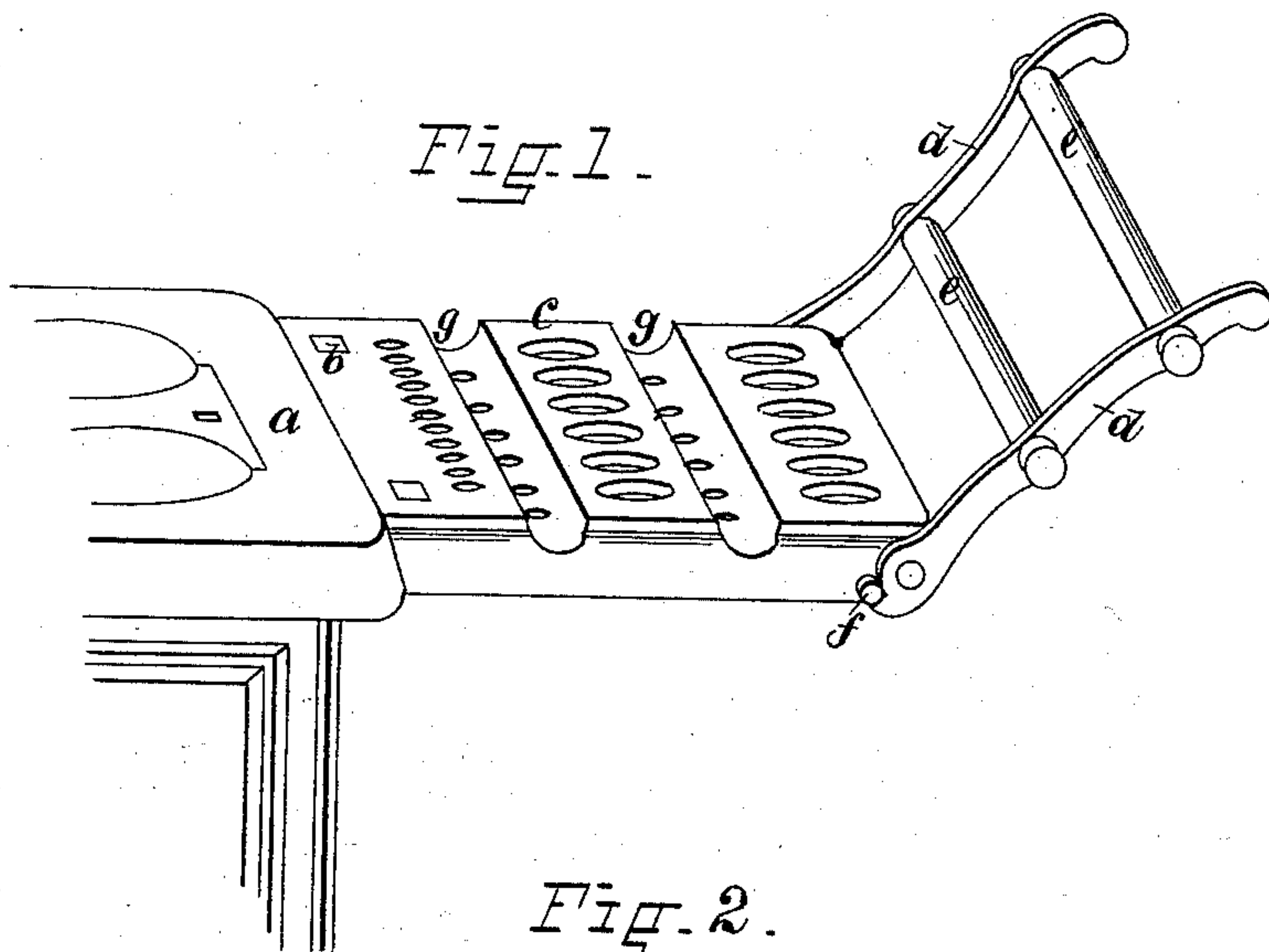


Fig. 2.

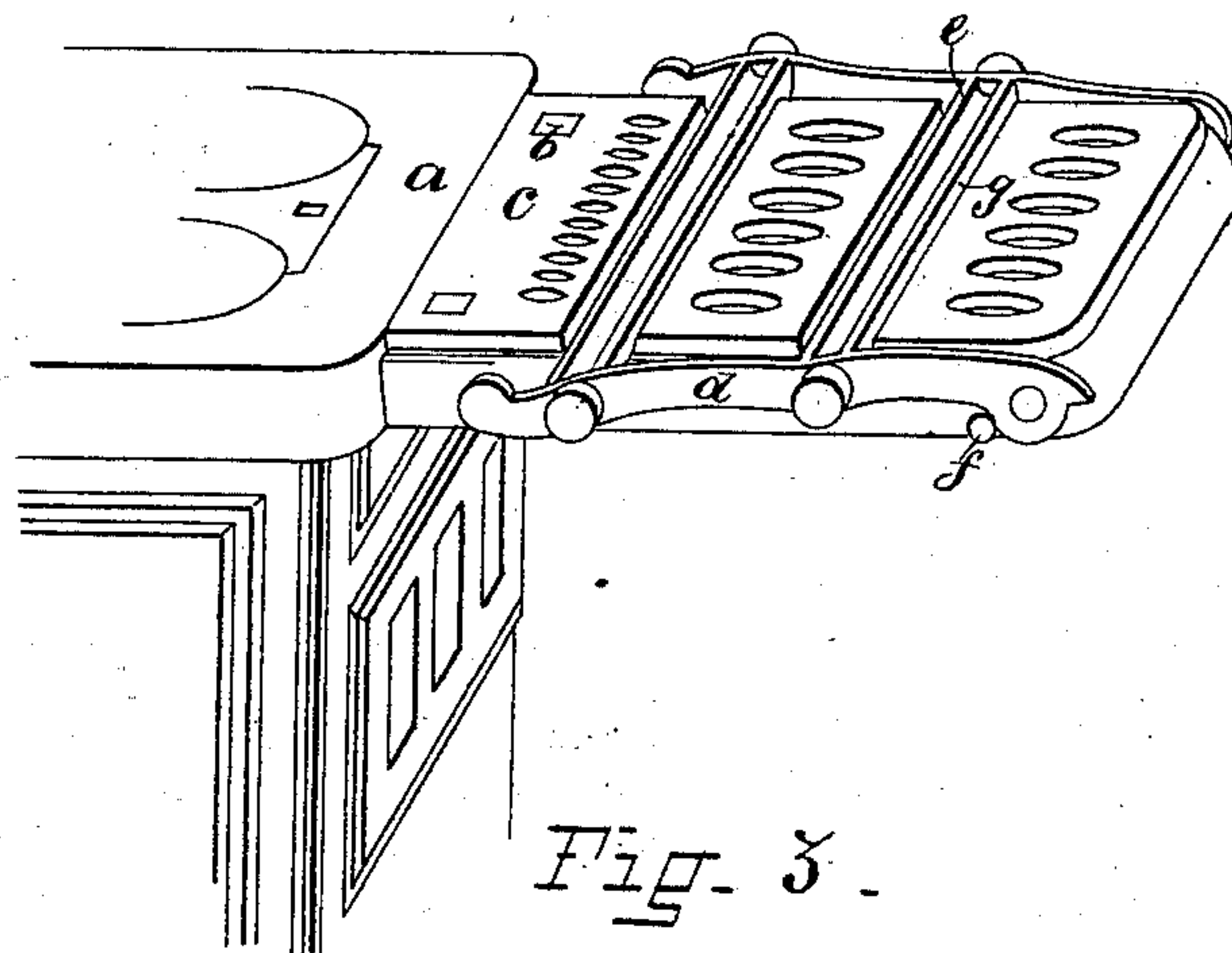


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LEONARD A. WHITE, of Attleborough, in the county of Bristol and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Stove-Shelves; and I hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.

This invention has reference to an improvement in detachable shelves for stoves or ranges; and it consists in providing such a shelf with a cloth or towel rack, so that the rack may be quickly raised or lowered, as will be more fully set forth hereinafter.

Figure 1 is a perspective view, showing the shelf secured to the stove, and provided with a hinged cloth or towel rack, the shelf being constructed to receive the rack when folded up, so that the bars will be below or even with the surface of the shelf. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the shelf and rack, the rack being folded upon the shelf. Fig. 3 is an end view of the shelf, the rack being shown as folded under the shelf.

In the drawings, *a* represents a part of the stove or range, one end of which is provided with hooks *b*; or the rim of the stove may be provided with holes, and the hooks may form part of the shelf *c*.

d is a hinged cloth or towel rack provided with one or more bars *e*, and the shelf is provided with a number of grooves, *g g*, corresponding with the number of bars on the rack, so that when the rack is folded upon the shelf the bars *e e* will be even with or below the surface of the shelf, so that the shelf may be used for supporting any article.

f is a stop against which the lower end of the hinged arms of the rack rests, and so holds the same in its proper position. If desired, the rack may be placed under the shelf, as shown in Fig. 3.

To make the shelf as light as possible, save metal, and improve the appearance, a number of holes are cast in the plate forming the shelf, and in place of the holes ornamental open designs or figures may be cast in the plate.

This shelf can be readily detached, the rack may be readily raised or lowered, and when raised any cloths or towels will be suspended clear of the stove, while yet near enough to dry rapidly.

The arrangement presents a better appearance than shelves as usually made, the rack is more convenient, is simpler in construction, more easily raised and lowered, and forms a desirable adjunct to a stove or range.

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

1. The combination, with the shelf *c*, secured to a stove or range, and provided with the grooves *g*, of the hinged rack *d*, provided with one or more bars, *e*, and constructed to fold on the shelf, so that the bars will enter the grooves, as described.

2. The combination, with the stove-shelf, of the rack *d*, pivoted to said shelf, as shown, with the projections *f* on the side of the shelf, placed in the position shown to engage the ends of the rack-bars and hold the rack in raised position, all substantially as described.

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