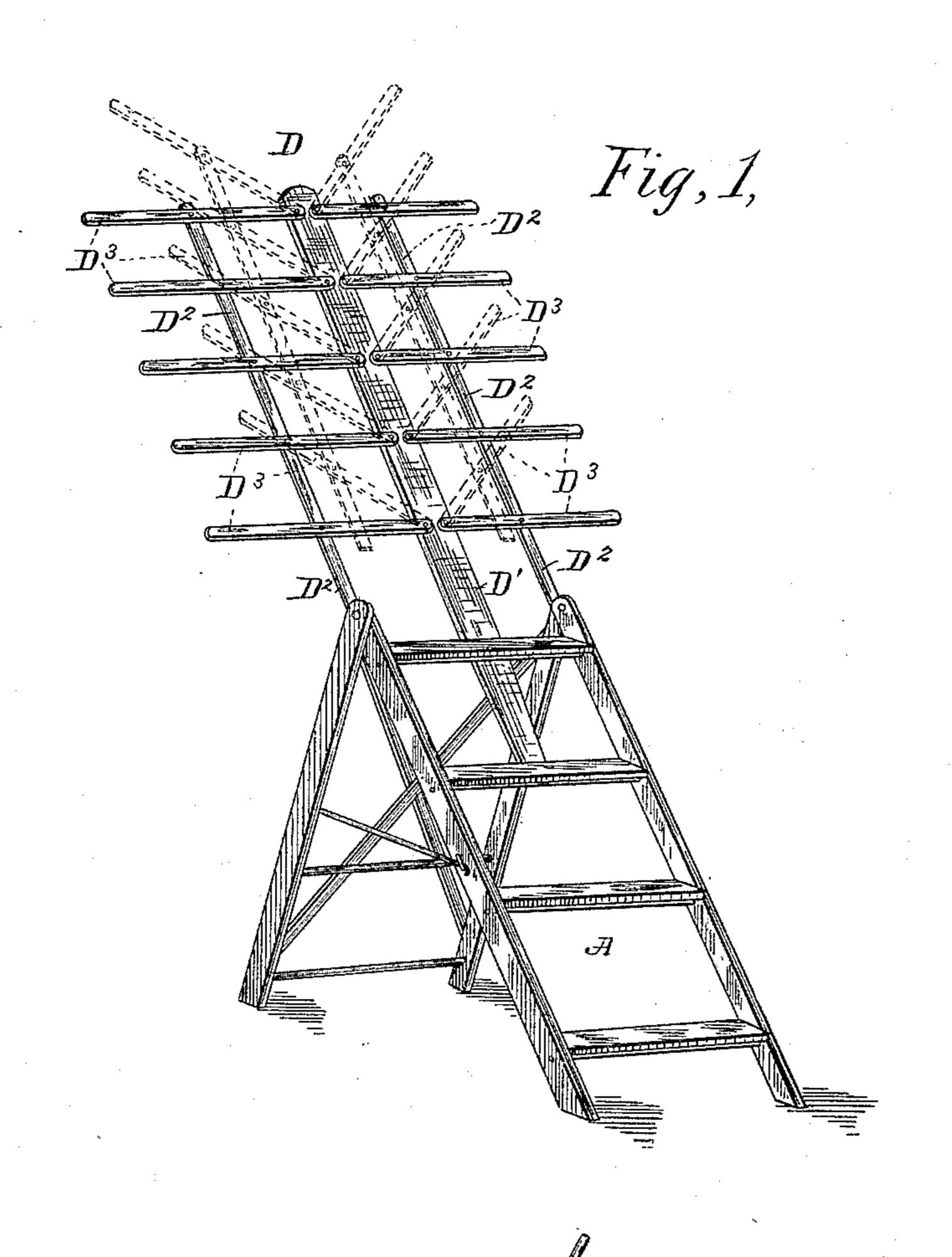
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, George R. Richardson, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Earlville, in the county of La Salle and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Combined Step-Ladder and Clothes-Rack, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention pertains to an improved household article combining a step-ladder and a clothes-rack; and it consists of the combinations of parts, including their construction, substantially as hereinafter fully set forth and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view showing my improved household article combining a step-ladder 20 and a clothes-rack. Fig. 2 is a detailed sectional view thereof.

In the embodiment of my invention I employ a step-ladder A, in its general outline of ordinary construction.

D is the folding clothes-rack for holding articles or clothes. It consists of a central upright or bar D', which fits in staples or brackets d' d', applied to the top step and the

one next below, of two other bars or uprights D<sup>2</sup> D<sup>2</sup>, the lower ends of which rest against 30 the upright side pieces or legs of the step-ladder, and of cross-bars or arms D<sup>3</sup> D<sup>3</sup>. The cross-bars or arms D<sup>3</sup> D<sup>3</sup> are pivoted at their inner ends to the central upright or bar D', and intermediately of their ends to the side 35 bars or uprights D<sup>2</sup> D<sup>2</sup>, thus rendering them readily detachable from the step-ladder and capable of folding for storage out of the way when not in use.

This invention makes a very convenient 40 and useful article, one very desirable especially about the house.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

The combination, with the step-ladder, of 45 the clothes-rack formed of a central bar and side bars fitted to said ladder, and of cross-bars pivoted at their inner ends to the central bar and intermediately of their ends to the side bars, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof Iaffix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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