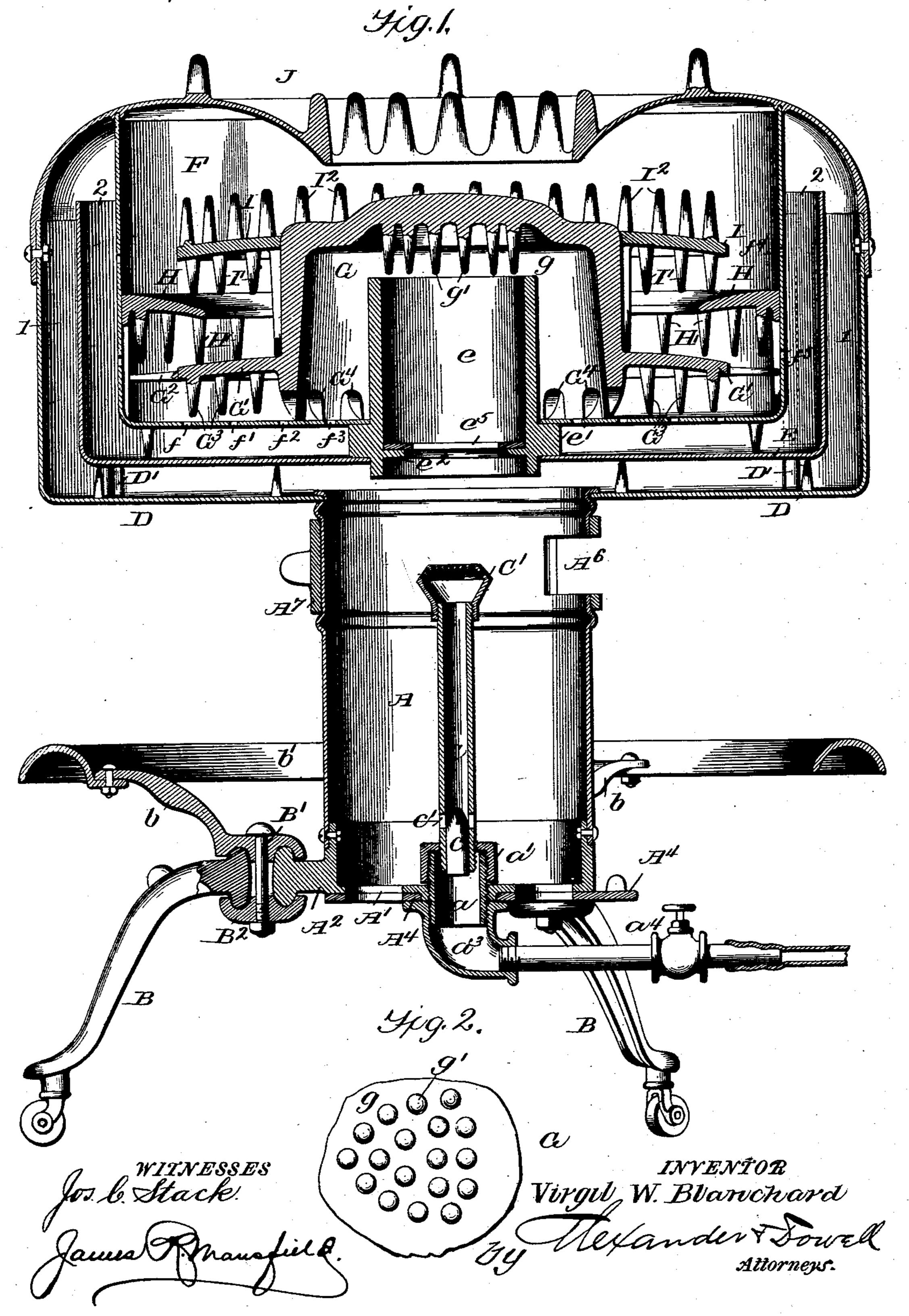
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, VIRGIL W. BLANCHARD, of New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Gas-Stoves; 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 and numerals of reference marked thereon, which form part of this specification.

This invention is an improvement in gasburning heating-stoves; and its object is to increase the air-consuming capacity of such stoves and thereby attain greater economy in their operation, more complete comsumption of the combustible gases in the fuel burned, and as a result increased heat.

The invention therefore consists in the com-20 bination and construction of parts hereinafter claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a vertical section through the improved heater adapted for consuming ordinary illuminating or heating gas. Fig. 2 is a detail.

A designates a small upright cylinder, closed at bottom by a cap A', having a laterally-projecting flange A<sup>2</sup>, which is T-shaped in cross-section.

B B designate legs supporting the cylinder and attached to the flange by means of bolts B' and clamp-pieces B², said bolts passing through radiating arms b, which support a foot-ring b', the ends of the arms and the clamp-pieces being shaped to bind the ends of the legs and the edge of flange A², as shown, and thereby hold the parts together. Through the center of cap A' is screwed a short pipe-section a, on the upper end of which is a screw-cap a', into which is screwed an upstanding pipe C, having a burner C' on its upper end and perforations c' near its lower end, beside a gas-tip c, screwed into the lower end of pipe C.

On the lower end of section a is screwed an elbow  $a^3$ , to which is connected a valved joint  $a^4$ , which may be connected by a flexible or other pipe to a gas supply. Fitted to the bottom of cap A' is a plate A<sup>4</sup>, which can be rotated, and there are openings in the cap A' and plate which when the plate is turned

one way register and admit air into the cylinder. In the cylinder, opposite the burner C', is an opening A<sup>6</sup>, which can be closed by a ring-valve A<sup>7</sup>, as indicated in the drawings. 55

On the upper end of cylinder A is supported a large pan-shaped casing D, within which is a slightly-smaller deflector E, which is centered and supported in casing D by studs D' in such manner that an air-space 1 60 is left between the casing and deflector, as shown, this space communicating with the interior of cylinder A, as shown.

Set within a central opening in deflector E is a short upright tube e, which depends 65 slightly below the deflector and is supported therein by a lateral flange e', and near the lower edge of tube e is an internal flange  $e^2$ , on which is supported a removable annulus  $e^5$ . Within deflector E is a combustion chamber 70 F, formed by a pan-shaped vessel slightly smaller than deflector E, and supported and centered on the flange e' of tube e, which projects upward centrally in chamber F, as shown. A second air-passage 2 is formed be-75 tween the combustion-chamber and deflector, and communicates with passage 1 over the top edge of deflector.

Within chamber F and over tube e is a dome G, which is considerably larger than the tube 80 and has a laterally-projecting flange G' near its lower edge, which is provided with radiating studs G<sup>2</sup>, by which the dome is centered in chamber F. In the ceiling of the dome, just over tube e, is a central cavity g, within 85

just over tube e, is a central cavity g, within 85 which are a number of depending studs g', which almost enter the end of tube e, these studs being arranged, as indicated in Fig. 2, so as to absorb heat and retard the flow of gases. The flange G has a number of depending stude  $G^3$  on its under side for the purpose of breaking up and mixing gases which escape from the dome through passages  $G^4$  in the lower edge thereof.

Above flange G' and fitted against the sides of chamber F is an annulus H, having a series of depending studs H', and above annulus H and fitted against the dome, is another annulus I, having depending studs I' and upstanding studs I<sup>2</sup>, as shown.

In the bottom of chamber F are concentric series of perforations f f'  $f^2$   $f^3$ , and in the

sides of the chamber opposite flange G' and annulus I, respectively, are perforations  $f^{5}$ 

 $f^4$ , respectively.

A cover J is fitted to casing D and so shaped 5 as to also fit against the upper edge of the walls of chamber F, and its center is depressed into the chamber and has a central outlet-

opening, as shown.

The internal diameter of ring  $e^5$  determines to the volume of air admitted into tube e, which should be proportioned to the size of the gastip placed in the burner-tube below. If the volume of gas is increased by using a larger gas-tip at any time, a correspondingly larger

15 ring  $e^5$  should be used.

When the walls of tube e are perpendicular, the ring  $e^5$  keeps the gases away from the sides of the tube, near the ring at least, and the upper portion of tube becomes more highly 20 heated than the lower portion and concentrates the heat in cavity g. The stude g' are heated almost instantaneously from the flame of the burner and thereby assist materially in producing perfect combustion in the dome, 25 especially at the time of the primary ignition of the gases, thereby preventing odors while the body of the dome is being heated.

Operation: The gas or other suitable combustible fluid is mixed with air as it flows 30 through tube C and then is ignited at burner C'. The heated products ascending into tube e draw air into cylinder A, part of the air mixing with the gases entering tube e and part flowing into the air-passage 1. The burn-35 ing gases ascend through tube einto the dome G, where they are retarded, and descend in the dome outside tube e, and at the bottom of the dome they are mixed with jets of hot air entering through perforations  $f^3$ . They then 40 pass from the dome under flange G', where they are subjected to more jets of air from perforations  $f f' f^2$ , and as they turn back over flange G' they receive another quota of air from jets  $f^5$ , and after they pass out from 45 under annulus I they receive another modicum of air through perforations  $f^4$ . The air

from passage 2 is heated by contact with the walls of chamber E and is in condition to accelerate combustion of gases when it is ad-50 mitted thereto. By these means the process of combustion in the heater is progressive in character, small volumes of heated air being added to the gas in minute jets at intervals and heat developed by combustion thereof

55 before another quota of air is added. Thereby I avoid cooling of the combustible gases and increase their temperature gradually.

The currents of burning gases being repeatedly broken or mixed by the numerous 60 studs in their way through the combustionchamber and by abrupt reversals of direction raise the internal structure of the stove to an intensely-heated condition and the combustion is so complete that no odors are gener-65 ated. By this means I am able to intermingle from thirty to fifty cubic feet of air with a

single cubic foot of gas and maintain the

dome and internal parts at such a high temperature that approximately complete combustion of the gaseous elements is realized. 70

By this apparatus I not only burn all the carbon in the gases, but am enabled to burn a great portion, if not all, of the lighter combustible elements therein with, of course, a resultant saving in fuel and the production 75 of higher temperature in the stove.

Inclosing the dome in the combustionchamber facilitates its heating and enables it to be easily maintained at a high temperature.

Having thus described my invention, what 80 I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent thereon, is—

1. The combination of a gas-burner, a tube above the same, and a dome over the tube into which the products of combustion are 85 delivered, said dome having depending studs over the tube, substantially as described.

2. The combination of the combustionchamber, a tube therein, a burner below the tube, a dome over and partly inclosing the go tube having a radial external flange and an inner cavity in which are depending studs and means for admitting air to said combustion-chamber, substantially as described.

3. The combination in a heater of a com- 95 bustion-chamber, a dome therein into which the combustible fluid is delivered, a casing inclosing the dome, and a series of two or more superimposed alternately-disposed annuli in the combustion-chamber, exterior to 100 the dome, between which the combusting gases are successively passed, and means for injecting air at intervals into the gases, substantially as described.

4. The combination of the combustion- 105 chamber having an air passage or chamber around its walls and bottom communicating with said combustion-chamber, a dome supported in said chamber, a series of two or more annuli in the combustion-chamber, and 110 means for supplying combustible fluid to the

dome, substantially as described.

5. The combination of the combustionchamber, a dome therein having a lateral flange near its lower edge, an annular ring on 115 the side of casing above the flange, and another annulus surrounding the dome above the ring; with means for admitting combustible fluid to the dome and means for admitting air to the combustion-chamber, substan- 120 tially as and for the purpose set forth.

6. The combination of the combustionchamber, a dome therein having a lateral flange near its lower edge, an annulus on the side of casing above the flange, another an- 125 nulus surrounding the dome above the ring, said flange, ring and annuli being studded substantially as described, and means for injecting air into the gases passing from the dome past the flange, ring and annuli, with 130 means for admitting combustible fluid into the dome, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

7. The combination of the combustion-

chamber, the casing; a tube supported therein projecting into the combustion-chamber, a dome in the combustion-chamber, inclosing the tube, and two or more annuli surround-5 ing said dome, with means for admitting air into the gases in the combustion-chamber, substantially as and for the purpose described.

8. The combination of the deflector E, the 10 tube e therein, the combustion-chamber F within deflector E, the dome G, having flange G' in chamber F, and the annuli H and I, surrounding the dome and means for admitting combustible fluid to the dome and means 15 for admitting air to the combustion-chamber

substantially as described.

9. The combination of the combustionchamber F, casing D, and deflector E; dividing the space between the chamber and cas-20 ing into air-passages which communicate with the combustion-chamber, the tube e supported on deflector E and projecting into the combustion-chamber; the dome G in the combustion-chamber, over tube e, having flange 25 G', and the annuli H and I; exterior to the dome; with the burner below the tube, and means for supplying gas and air to the burner, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

10. The combination with the cap A' hav-30 ing lateral T-flange A<sup>2</sup>, the legs B, and the arms b; with the bolt B' and clip-plates  $B^2$ for securing the legs and arms to the flange,

substantially as described.

11. The combination of the cylinder, the burner therein; the casing D supported on the cylinder, the combustion-chamber in said casing, the tube in said chamber above the burner, the dome superimposed over the tube 40 having a cavity in its ceiling, and a lateral

flange; and the annuli H and I in the combustion-chamber exterior to the dome, and means for admitting air to the combustionchamber for the purpose and substantially as described.

12. The combination of the cylinder, the gas-burner therein, the casing D on the upper end of cylinder, the combustion-chamber F in the casing, the deflector E between the casing and combustion-chamber, dividing the 50 space between the chamber and casing into air-passages communicating with the combustion-chamber and the tube above the burner passing through the casing and deflector into the combustion-chamber; with 55 the dome G over said tube, one or more annuli surrounding the dome; said annuli being studded, substantially as described.

13. The combination of the cylinder, the removable tube C therein having a gas-tip at 60 one end and a burner at the other; the casing D, deflector E and combustion-chamber F supported on said cylinder; and the tube e above the burner having a removable ring  $e^5$ ; with the dome G in the combustion-cham- 65 ber having internal cavity g, studs g', and external studded flange G'; the studded annulus H above the flange, the studded annulus I above annulus H, the cover; and perforations in the walls of the combustion- 70 chamber for admitting jets of air into the burning gases therein, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of 75

two witnesses.

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