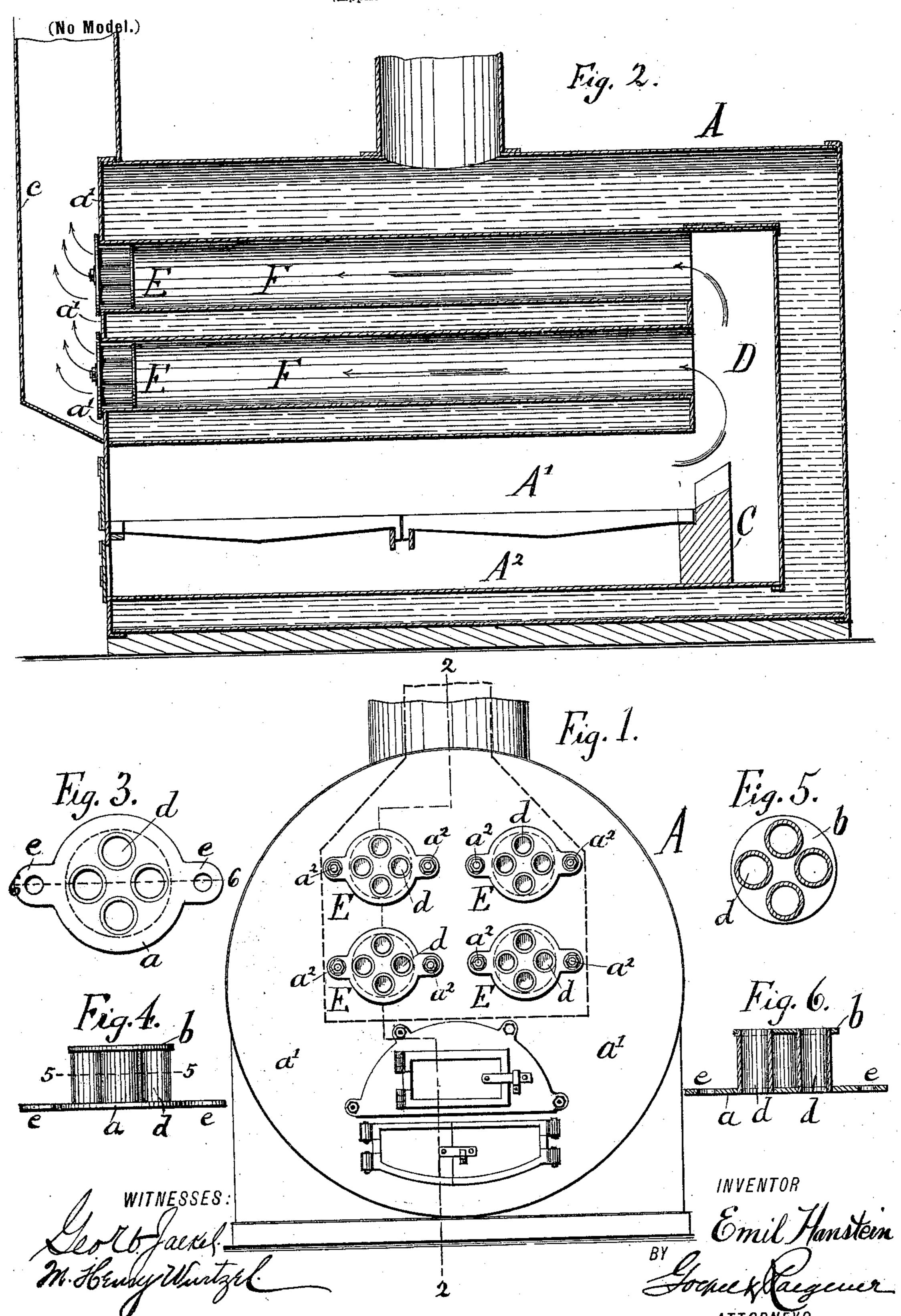
## E. HANSTEIN. CHECK FOR BOILER FLUES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EMIL HANSTEIN, a citizen of the Empire of Germany, residing in Hoboken, in the county of Hudson and State 5 of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Checks for Boiler-Flues, of which the following is a specification.

This invention has reference to an improved to check for the flues of steam-boilers, by the use of which a more complete combustion of the fire-gases is obtained and a more economical generation of steam produced, so that the efficiency of the boiler to which it is applied 15 is increased.

The invention consists of a check for the flues of steam-boilers, said check being inserted into the outgoing ends of the flues and constructed of front and rear plates and con-20 necting-tubes between the said plates, the cross-area of said tubes being less than the cross-area of the flue into which the check is inserted, so that the movement of the firegases to the chimney is retarded and the more 25 complete combustion of the same in the combustion-chamber produced. The front plate of each check is provided with ears, by which the check is attached to the front part of the boiler, and the rear plate is made of conven-30 ient size to fit into the flue, as will be fully described hereinafter and finally pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a front elevation of a steam-boiler 35 with my improved flue-checks inserted in the flues of the same, the connection with the chimney being indicated in dotted lines. Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section on line 22, Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a detail front view of one 40 of my improved flue-checks. Fig. 4 is a side view of the same. Fig. 5 is a section on line 5 5, Fig. 4; and Fig. 6 is a section on line 6 6, Fig. 3.

Similar letters of reference indicate corre-45 sponding parts.

Referring to the drawings, A represents a steam-boiler of that class in which the fireplace A' and ash-pit A<sup>2</sup> are arranged in the boiler and in which longitudinal flues of large 50 size are arranged above the fireplace, said

rear ends with a combustion-chamber D, arranged above and back of the fire-bridge C. The longitudinal flues F connect at their front ends with a casing c, that is connected 55 with the chimney. At the front or outgoing ends of the flues are arranged the flue-checks E, forming the subject-matter of this invention and which are shown in detail in Figs. 3 to 6. The front wall a of the flue-check is 60 of larger size than the rear wall b of the same and is provided at diametrically opposite points with perforated ears e, which are attached to the front wall a' of the boiler by suitable fastening-bolts  $a^2$ , as shown in 65 Fig. 1. The rear wall b of the flue-check is of a diameter corresponding to the inside diameter of the boiler-flue F, so that it may readily enter the flue. Between the front wall and the rear wall of the check are lo- 70 cated connecting-tubes d, the cross-area of said connecting-tubes being considerably less than the cross-area of the flue F, so that a certain retarding action is exerted on the fire-gases as they pass from the fireplace A' 75 and combustion-chamber D to the flues F and out the front end of the same. This retarding action produces the more perfect combustion of the fire-gases while passing through the combustion-chamber D and the 80 flues, so that thereby a high heat is sustained in the flues and 'combustion-chamber, and by reason of the more perfect combustion a saving in fuel obtained.

The check is bolted to the front wall a' of 85 the boiler and requires no further connection by brazing or otherwise. It can be readily detached from the flue by disconnecting the bolts  $a^2$ , so that access is readily had to the interior of the flue for cleaning the same. As 90 a large size of flues may be used the interior of the boiler and the surface of the flues may be readily cleaned from the incrustations, so that the boiler is better adapted for marine and stationary purposes, as it avoids many of 95 the inconveniences of water-tube boilers. A boiler in which the flues are provided with checks, as described, is cheaper in construction than one in which small tubes are used, especially as the checks can be replaced for 100 little expense when worn out. It has the adflues F F of large size connecting at their I vantage of being economical in fuel, which is

due to the more perfect combustion of the firegases caused by the flue-checks, and it permits the easy cleaning of the flues, as well as the interior of the boiler, and avoids some of the objectionable features of water-tube boilers, such as leakage and bursting of the tubes.

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

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10 1. The combination, with the flues of a steam-boiler, of checks inserted in the front ends of said flues, said checks being each constructed of a larger front wall having perforated ears, a rear wall equal in size with the interior of the flue, and connecting-tubes be-

tween said front and rear walls, and bolts for

boiler, substantially as set forth.

2. A check for boiler-flues, consisting of a

attaching said ears to the front plate of the

2. A check for boiler-flues, consisting of a front wall provided with perforated ears for 20 attaching the check to a boiler, a rear wall adapted to fit within the boiler-flue, and connecting-tubes between said front and rear walls, substantially as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as 25 my invention I have signed my name in pres-

ence of two subscribing witnesses.

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