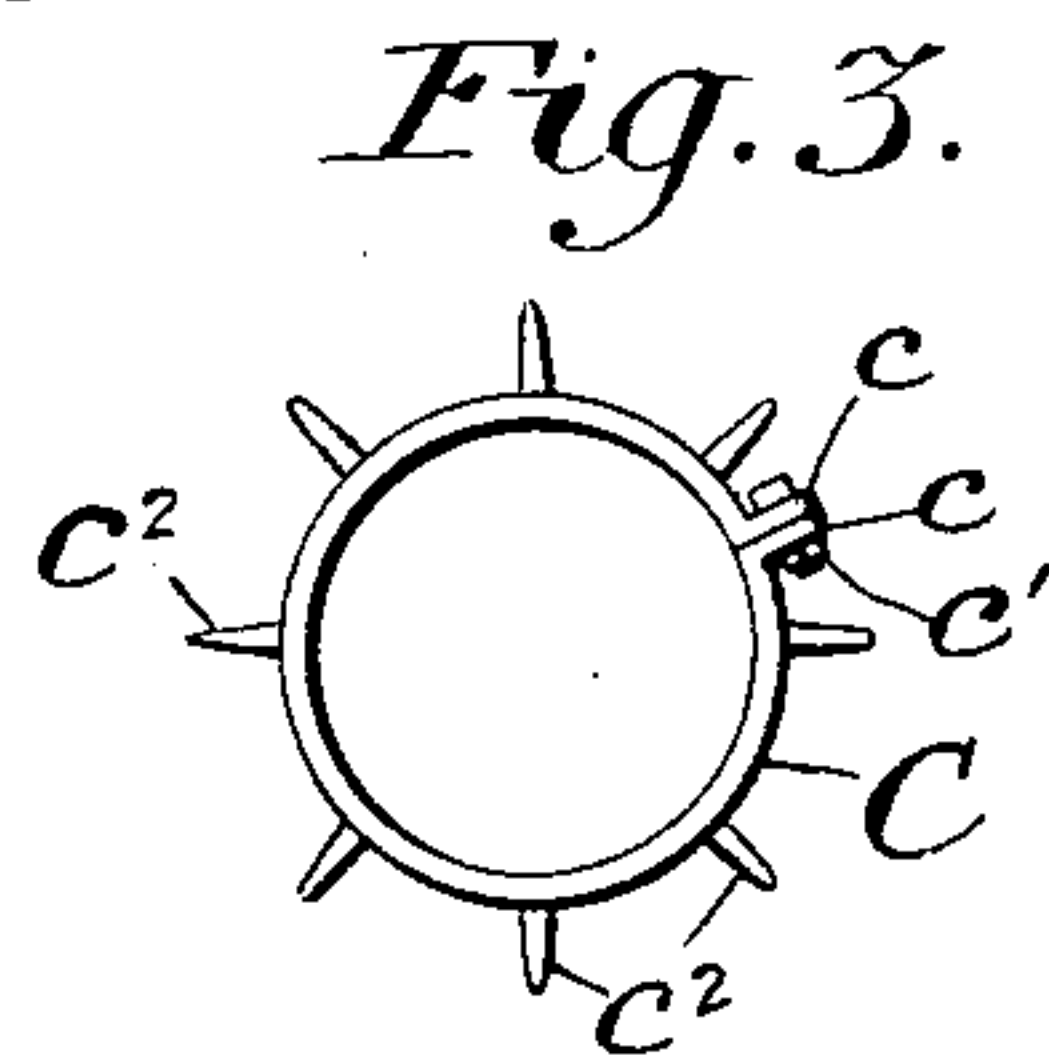
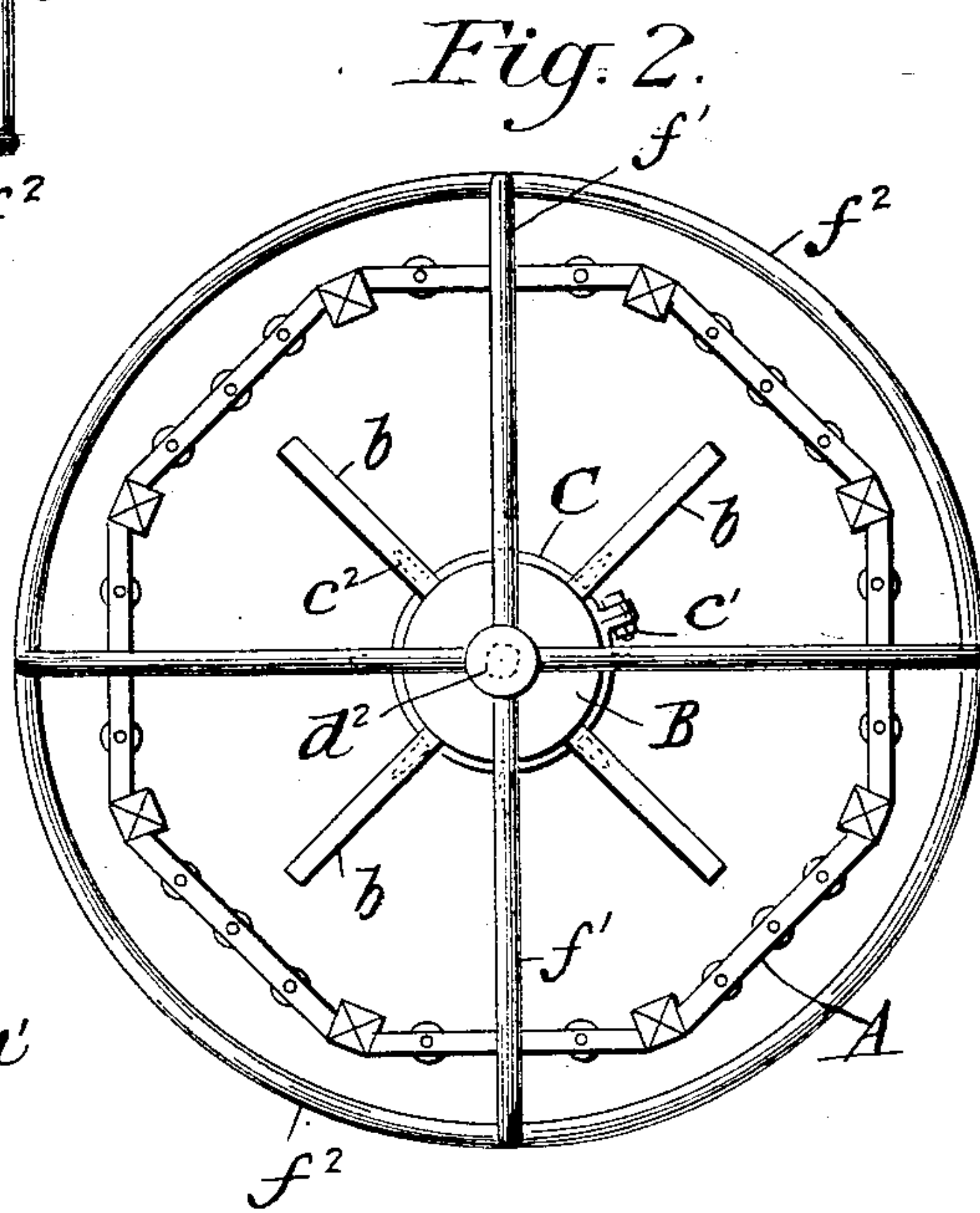
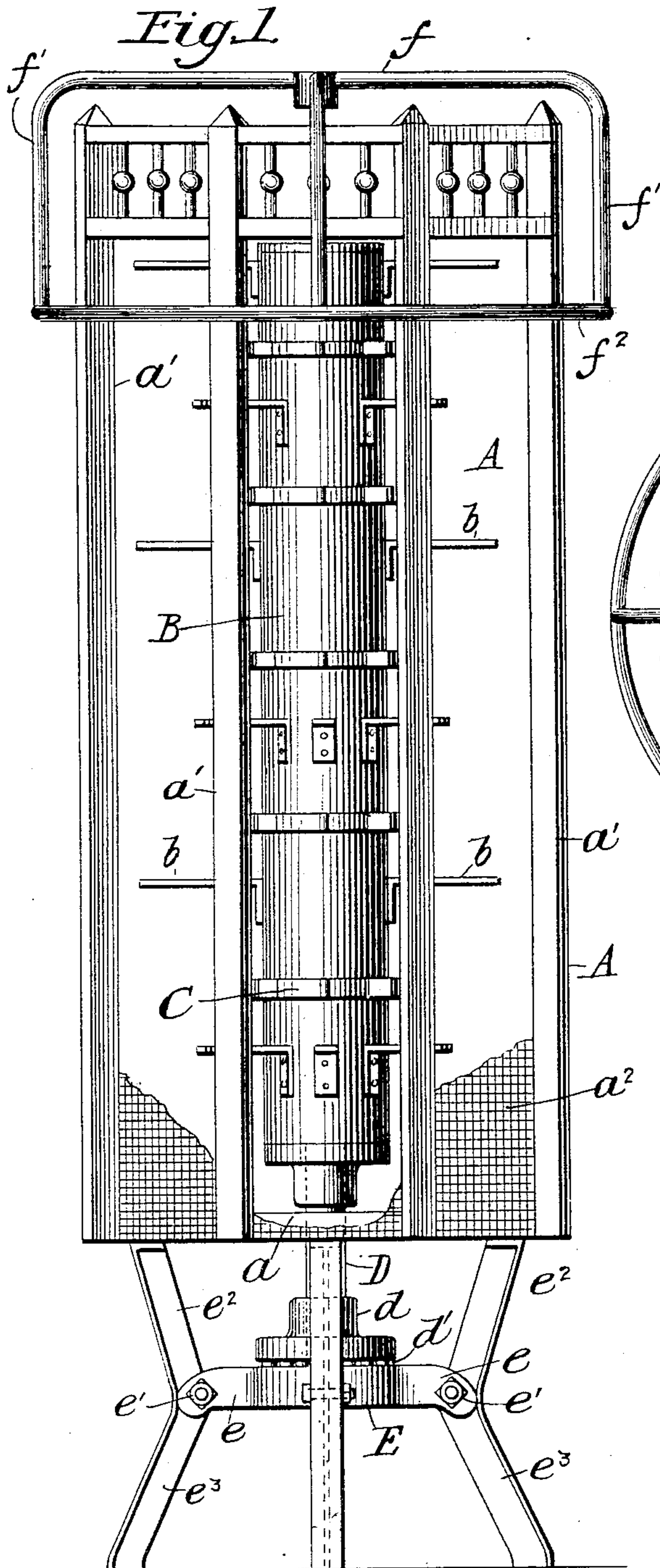


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## CASE FOR DRIED MEATS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, GEORGE W. HOLMAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Alliance, in the county of Stark and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cases for Dried Meats, of which the following is a specification.

The invention to be hereinafter described relates to cases for dried meats, more particularly designed for exhibiting, protecting, and handling such meats by retail grocers, butchers, and others handling and selling such meats, the object of the invention being to provide such a case whereby the meats contained therein may be readily exhibited and inspected, while protected from flies and other insects, the case as an entirety being easily transported and readily set up in the desired location without exposing the contents.

With these general objects in view the invention consists of the parts and combinations to be hereinafter more fully described and then definitely set forth in the claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a side elevation of a meat-case embodying my invention, parts of the screen being broken away to more clearly show the internal arrangements. Fig. 2 is a top plan view, and Fig. 3 is a detail of the adjustable supporting-arms.

In the drawings, A represents a suitably-formed exterior casing comprising upper and lower heads, as *a*, connected by uprights *a'*, a suitable screen or wire-gauze *a<sup>2</sup>*, Fig. 1, being connected to the framework of the exterior case.

Mounted to turn within the exterior casing A is the supporting-cylinder B, having secured to it at suitable intervals in its height a series of brackets *b b*, which serve as meat-rests, and having also disposed, preferably between each horizontal row of brackets *b b*, the adjustable supporting-rings C, said rings being preferably formed of metal and their adjoining ends *c c* being joined by a bolt and nut *c'*, Fig. 3, whereby said supporting-rings may be adjusted to different position on the supporting-cylinder, as will be obvious. The supporting-rings C have projecting therefrom suitable rests *c<sup>2</sup>* of appropriate size and strength to support dried meats, as by hanging the same from the rests *c<sup>2</sup>*, and the brack-

ets *b b* are likewise proportioned to sustain meats placed thereon.

The supporting-cylinder B has projecting downward therefrom and passing through the lower head *a* of the exterior casing a supporting-shaft D, which carries at its lower end a cup-shaped bearing *d*.

The base-support of the case comprises a casting E, having side projecting arms *e* and a suitable runway in its upper surface for the antifriction-balls *d'*, disposed between the cup-shaped bearing *d* and the casting E, whereby the entire weight of the supporting-cylinder B rests upon ball-bearings supported by the base of the device.

Pivotally connected to each of the arms *e* of the casting E, as at *e'*, are the supporting-legs, comprising the upper and lower extensions or pieces *e<sup>2</sup>* and *e<sup>3</sup>*, integrally formed. The supporting-legs are of appropriate size and dimensions so that the upper portions *e<sup>2</sup>* thereof when in their supporting position, as shown in Fig. 1, bear against the under surface of the head *a* of the exterior case A, whereby said supporting-legs while acting as sustaining means for the casting E to thereby maintain the supporting-cylinder B in its revoluble relation to the exterior of the case also act to hold the exterior case in fixed position to steady the same when the interior or supporting-cylinder B is revolved.

It is desirable in a device of this character that the interior or supporting-cylinder B may be revolved within the exterior case A to expose the various pieces of meat to view without opening the exterior case, and to this end I have extended the upper journal-bearing *d<sup>2</sup>* of the supporting-cylinder B through the upper head of the exterior case, as will be more clearly seen from Fig. 2, and to the upper extended portion thereof I have secured the side extending arms *f*, which are downturned at *f'* and at their lower ends are provided with a hand-rail *f<sup>2</sup>*, whereby the supporting-cylinder B may be readily turned within its exterior case A by merely grasping the hand-wheel *f<sup>2</sup>* and giving the necessary impulse thereto, and this without opening the exterior case and thereby exposing the contents to the inroads of flies and other insects.

It will be evident, of course, that various



characters of hooks and other supporting devices may be attached to the cylinder B and that the parts of the device may be made of suitable material, either wood or metal, according to the size and general character of its use. By reason of the ball-bearing support of the supporting-cylinder B upon the casting E, which also acts as the connecting medium for the legs which steady and support the exterior case, it will be evident that very slight effort is necessary by the operative to turn the supporting-cylinder B by means of the hand-rail  $f^2$  to expose the entire contents of the case to view, and by the use of the screen-covering for the exterior case thorough ventilation is given to the interior thereof, while protecting the contents from flies and other undesirable insects.

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

1. In a case for dried meats, the combination of an exterior casing provided with a wire screen, a supporting-cylinder within said casing and having secured thereto rests for dried meats, a shaft for rotatably supporting the cylinder within the case, said shaft being extended through one of the ends of the case, a base-support upon which said shaft rests, and legs having upward extensions for loosely engaging the under side of the end of the casing to support the casing in fixed position.

2. In a case for dried meats, the combination of an exterior casing provided with a wire screen, a supporting-cylinder within the casing and having rests for dried meats, a base-support for holding the casing in fixed position and rotatably supporting the supporting-cylinder, and means projecting from the supporting-cylinder and overhanging the casing to rotate the cylinder within the casing.

3. In a case for dried meats, the combination of an exterior wire-covered casing, a supporting-cylinder within said casing provided with rests for dried meats or the like, and having extended through the end of the casing a supporting-shaft, a base-support for

said casing and cylinder comprising a central support or casting, antifriction-bearings interposed between said support or casting and the supporting-shaft, and legs pivotally connected to the central support or casting, said legs having upward extensions to engage the end of the casing to maintain and steady the same in fixed position.

4. In a case for dried meats, the combination of an upright exterior wire-covered casing, a supporting-cylinder within said casing provided with supports for dried meats and the like, a shaft sustaining said cylinder, said shaft being extended through one end of the casing, a supporting-base for said case comprising a central support or casting, ball-bearings interposed between the shaft and central support or casting, said central support or casting having side extensions, legs pivoted to said side extensions and having upward-projecting portions to engage the end of the casing to steady the same and maintain it in fixed position as the supporting-cylinder is turned within the casing, and an axial extension projecting from the end of the cylinder opposite the supporting-shaft for turning or rotating the cylinder within the casing while the contents are protected from insects.

5. In a case for dried meats, the combination of an upright exterior wire-covered casing, a supporting-cylinder within said casing and having supports for dried meats and the like, a supporting-shaft for said cylinder extended through one end of the casing, a base-support for said shaft having legs for loosely engaging and stationarily supporting the casing, an axial extension from the other end of the supporting-cylinder, and a hand-rail connected to said axial extension for rotating the supporting-cylinder within the stationary casing while the contents are ventilated and protected from insects.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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