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DISH DRAINER.

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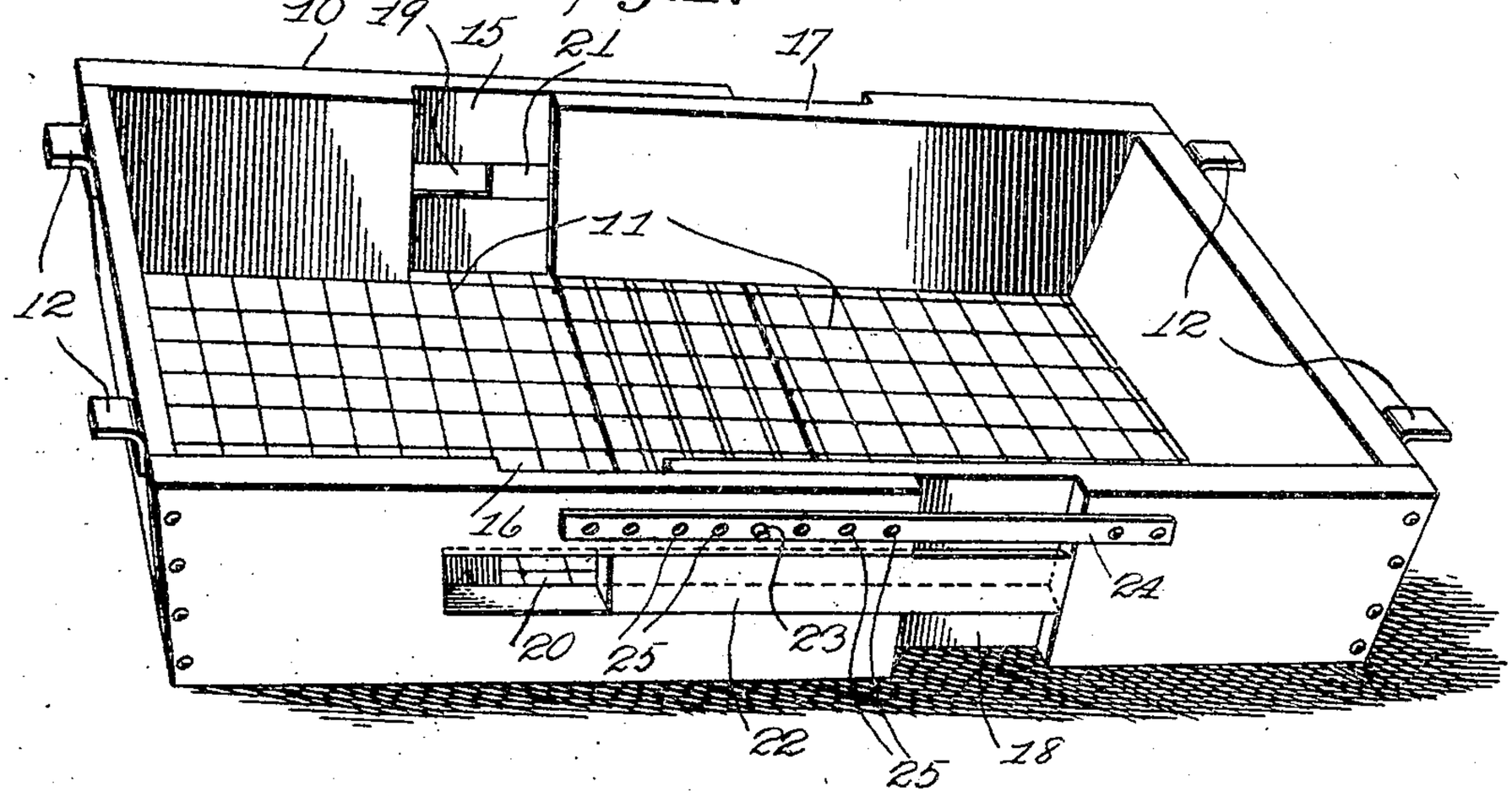
Fig. 1.



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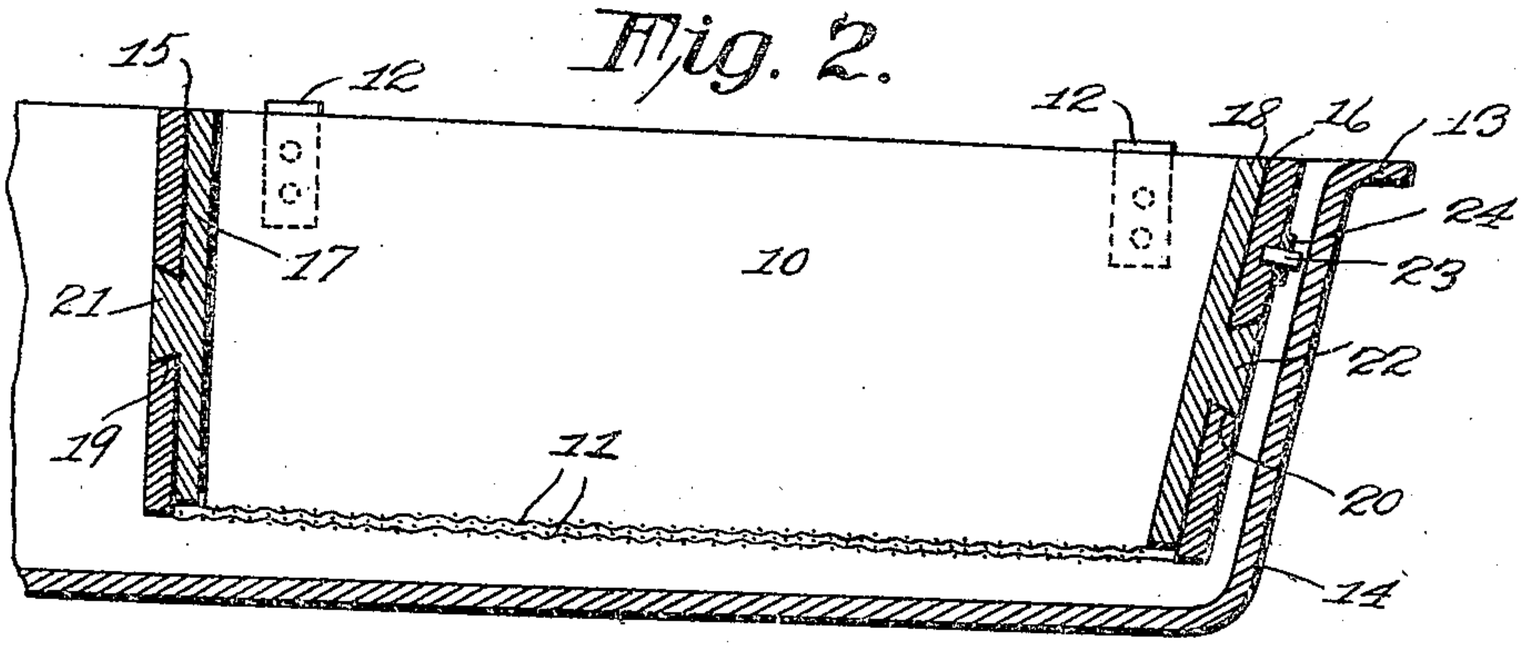

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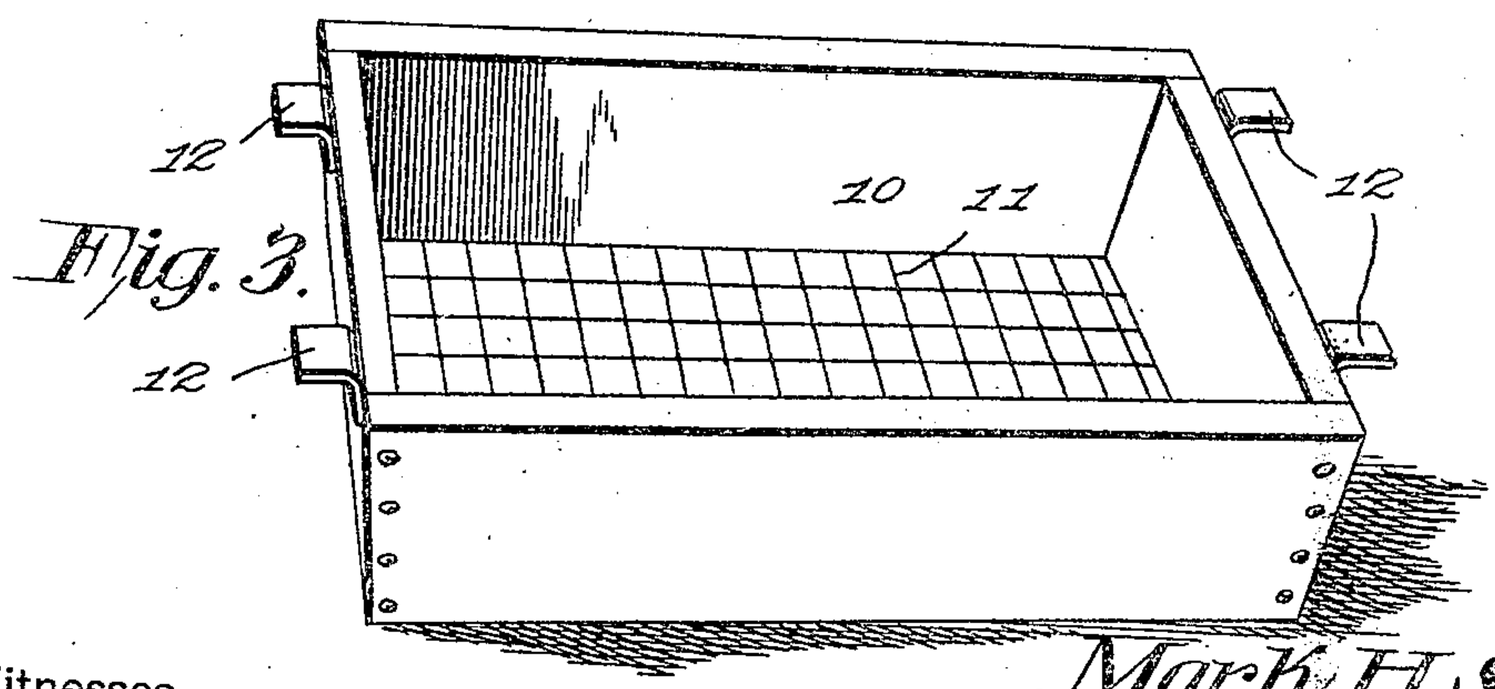

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARK H. SILK, a citizen of the United States, residing at Bar Harbor, in the county of Hancock and State of Maine, have invented a new and useful Dish-Drainer, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to dish-drainers for removable arrangement in a sink or similar locality, and has for its object to provide a simply-constructed device of this character in which the dishes may be placed and protected from "nicking" or other deterioration during the process of draining.

Another object of the invention is to provide a device of this character which may be readily adjusted to fit any size of sink or like structure.

With these and other objects in view, which will appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, the same consists in certain novel features of construction, as hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and in which corresponding parts are denoted by like designating characters, is illustrated the preferred form of embodiment of the invention capable of carrying the same into practical operation.

In the drawings thus employed, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the improved device in its adjustable form. Fig. 2 is a transverse section of the construction shown in Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the device in its simpler form.

The improved device comprises an inclosing frame of relatively yieldable material, such as soft wood or similar material, (represented as a whole at 10,) and with a bottom of spaced transversely-disposed wire members 11, three of the side walls of the frame being preferably inclined outwardly and the remaining wall vertical, as represented in Figs. 2 and 3.

Means are provided, such as laterally-extending clips 12, for bearing upon the upper rim 13 of the sink (indicated at 14) to support the open wire bottom above the bottom of the sink to provide means for the escape of the drainage water.

By forming the frame member of soft wood or like material the dishes will not be liable to be "nicked" or otherwise deteriorated by coming in contact therewith, as they would if the sides were of metal or other hard material.

In Figs. 1 and 2 the device is shown arranged for adjustment to enable it to be fitted to sinks of various sizes, the frame being in two portions, one portion with longitudinal recesses 15 16 in its side walls and the other portion with longitudinal tongues 17 18 for engaging said recesses, and thus enabling the side walls to interlap for increasing or decreasing the length of the frame, as will be obvious. One of the frame portions is provided with open longitudinal slots 19 20 opposite the recesses 15 16 and formed with dovetailed sides, while the other frame portion is provided with longitudinal dovetailed ribs 21 22 upon its tongues 18 19 and adapted to engage the dovetailed slots 19 20. By this means the two frame-sections may be adjusted to any desired extent within the range of the recesses and tongues and slots and ribs. The spaced wire bottom portion is also in two parts and overlapping as the frame portions are adjusted. Extending from one of the frame portions is a pin 23, and the other frame portion is provided with a resilient strip 24, having spaced apertures 25 for consecutive engagement with the pin, and thus "lock" the frame at any required distance apart, so that when removed from the sink they will not collapse or be abnormally distended. By this means after the parts are once adjusted for a certain size of sink they will retain that position and will not require readjustment every time the device is replaced on the sink.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is—

1. A dish-drainer comprising an inclosing frame in two portions with interlapping sides and with overlapping bottom sections formed of spaced wire members, and means for supporting said frame within a sink with the wire bottom sections spaced from the bottom of the sink.

2. A dish-drainer comprising an inclosing frame in two portions with interlapping sides and with overlapping bottom sections formed of spaced wire members, a pin extending laterally from one of said frame portions and a resilient member connected to the other of said frame portions and provided with spaced apertures for consecutive engagement with said pin.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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