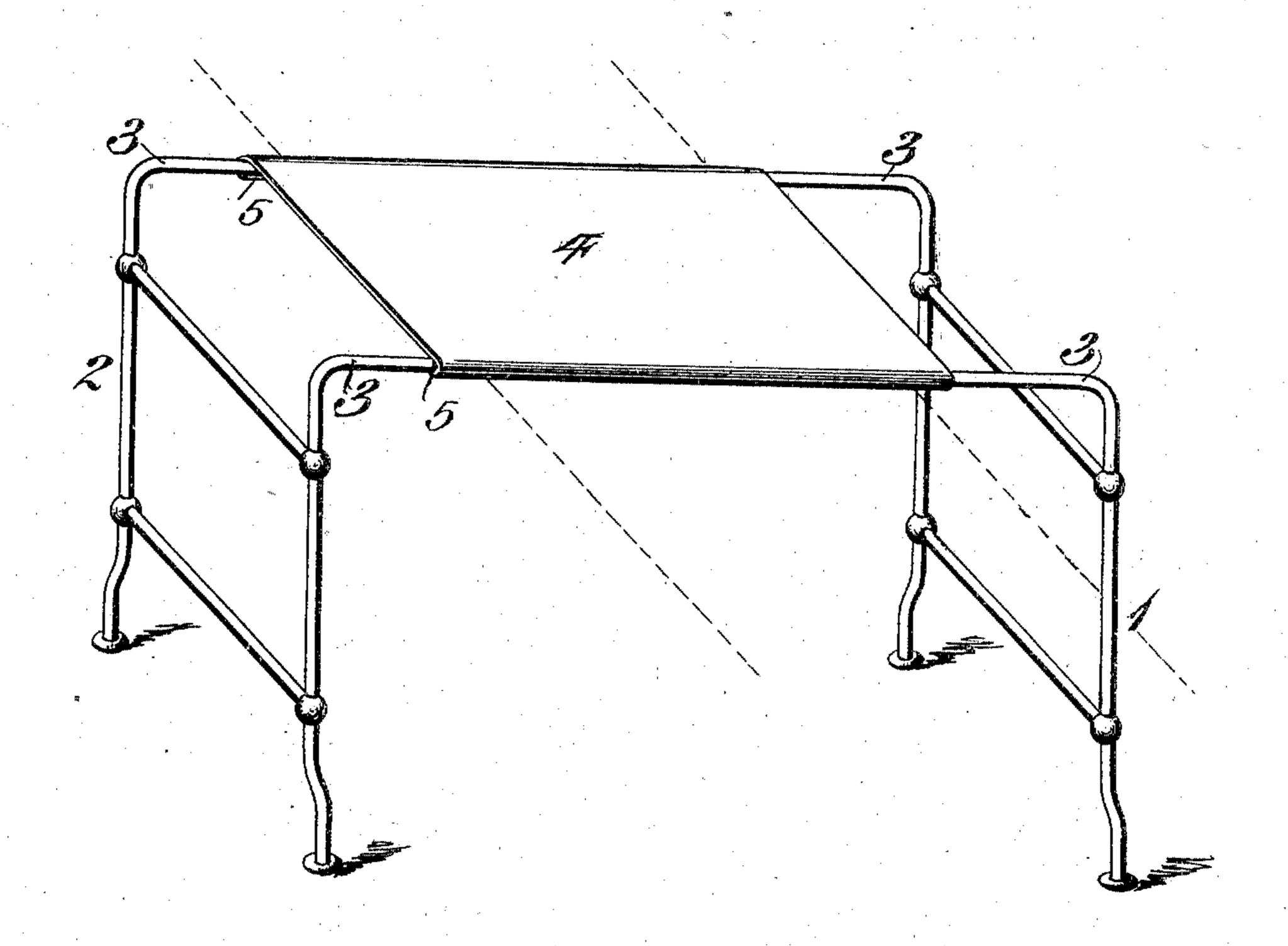
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM F. BERN-STEIN, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, 5 State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Combined Serving-Table and Towel-Rack, of which the following is a specification.

My invention consists of a combined serv-10 ing table and a towel rack, the same comprising a device which may be placed more particularly over a bed and so adapted for hospital and sick room purposes, whereby each member of the same may be convenient 15 of access by the occupant of the bed; the device being firmly sustainable and easily applied and removed.

For the purpose of explaining the invention, the accompanying drawing illustrates a 20 satisfactory reduction of the same to practice, but the important instrumentalities thereof may be varied, and so it is to be understood that the invention is not limited to the specific arrangement and organiza-25 tion shown and described.

The figure represents a perspective view of a combined serving table and towel rack embodying my invention.

In the drawings:—1 and 2 designate a 30 pair of towel racks. The upper ends of the side legs of each rack are continued inwardly forming the cross bars or rods 3, which join the racks and space them apart forming together somewhat of an arched or 35 angular frame which is adapted to rest on a floor and having the portion below said bars free and unoccupied so as to be conveniently slidable over a bed or other place of service and as conveniently removable therefrom. On the rods 3 which comprise the horizontal limbs of said frame is the table top 4 which is rested thereon and secured thereto. The front and rear end portions of the table top are formed with ears 45 5 which are hooked respectively upon the top cross bars 3 and embrace the same in opposite directions, thus firmly connecting said top with said cross bars and serving to brace the latter and keep them properly 50 apart and prevent spreading thereof, while the front and rear edges of said table top are left round and smooth without obstruc-

tions to the occupant of the bed in using the device, it being seen that the racks constitute the legs of a table of which said top is 55 a member.

The operation is as follows:—The device is moved over a bed, so as to straddle the same, presenting to the occupant of the bed a serving table, while towels, etc. may be 60 hung on the racks and so be convenient of access to the occupant, it being evident that the device with the articles on the table top and rack may be lifted over the bed so as to be applied to and removed therefrom with- 65 out disturbing the bed or occupant thereof, it being further evident that the device may be furnished with food, dishes, towels, etc., prior to location and when the same is in position, it will be steadily sustained on the 70 floor of the apartment, it being likewise of light, strong and durable construction, it being also serviceable for reading, writing and other purposes. The table-top does not extend the full length of the cross bars 3 but 75 terminates at a distance from the outer ends thereof so as to leave room for ready access to articles on the upper rungs of the racks.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Let- 80 ters Patent, is:—

1. In a combined serving table and towel rack, a plurality of towel racks, each composed of a pair of legs and a rung connecting the members thereof, horizontal cross 85 bars integrally continuous of each other and of the tops of said legs, and connecting the opposite racks, and a table top which is supported on said cross bars, and having ears thereon which securingly-embrace said 90 bars in opposite directions.

2. A combined serving table and towel rack, composed of a pair of towel racks, each consisting of legs and a rung connecting the same, the upper ends of said legs being 95 continued inwardly forming cross bars, and a table top which latter is secured to said cross bars and terminates at a distance from the ends of the latter to admit of access to the rungs of the racks.

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