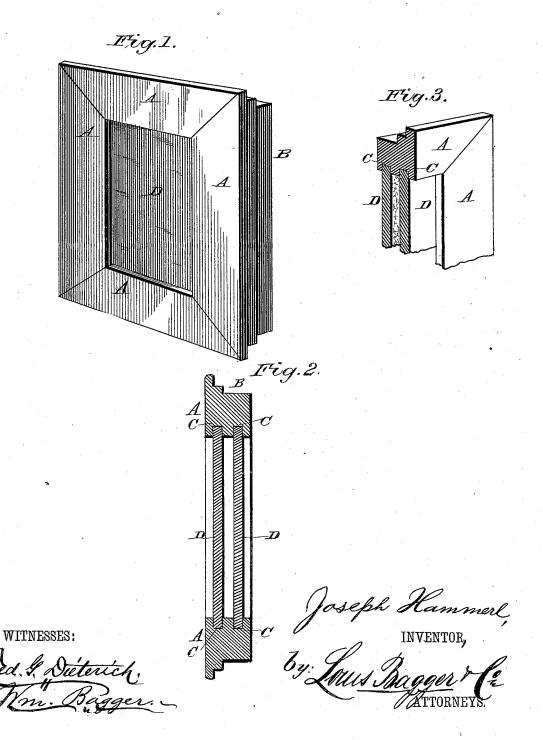
## J. HAMMERL. REFRIGERATOR DOOR.

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## REFRIGERATOR-DOOR.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH HAMMERL, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Long Island City, in the county of Queens and 5 State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Refrigerator-Doors; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others 10 skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, and in which-

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my im-15 proved door for refrigerators. Fig. 2 is a transverse vertical sectional view of the same, and Fig. 3 is a perspective detail view.

The same letters refer to the same parts in

all the figures.

This invention relates to doors for refrigerators, ice-boxes, and the like; and it has for its object to provide a door of this kind which shall possess superior advantages in point of simplicity, durability, and general efficiency.

To this end the invention consists in the improved construction and combination of parts, which will be hereinafter fully described, and particularly pointed out in the claim.

In the drawings hereto annexed, A A A A 30 designate the four stiles of my improved refrigerator door. These stiles, the ends of which are mitered, so as to adapt them to be connected or secured together in the usual manner, are formed on their outer sides or 35 edges with shoulders B, whereby they are adapted to fit against a series of corresponding shoulders formed in the edges of the dooropening, as is usual in this class of devices, for the purpose of forming a tight joint. The 40 inner sides or edges of the stiles A are pro-

vided with grooves or rabbets C, which may be two or more in number.

D D designate the panels, of which two or l

more may be used, according to the number of grooves or rabbets C formed in the stiles 45 A, in which the said panels are fitted, after which the stiles are to be connected or secured together in any suitable manner. Packing of any kind may, when desired, be interposed between the several panels, in order to in- 50 crease the non-conducting qualities of the door; but such packing may be dispensed with when desired, and it forms no part of my invention.

The operation and advantages of this device 55 will be readily understood without requiring

extended explanation.

The construction of the door is simple, it being ordinarily composed of only six piecesnamely, the four stiles and two panels. It is 60 therefore inexpensive, and the joints being few in number, and of a nature to render them as tight or close as possible, the door is as nearly air-proof as it is possible to construct a door of this class.

I am aware that Letters Patent No. 288,427 were granted to Sylvester Gray on the 13th day of November, 1883, for a refrigerator-door in which a zinc plate is secured in the inner side of the door, its edges fitting in grooves in 70 the frame of the door, and I do not wish to

claim such construction, broadly; but

An improved door for refrigerators and the like, consisting of stiles having shouldered 75 outer edges and rabbeted inner edges, in combination with a series of two or more panels seated in said rabbets or grooves, substantially as herein described, for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as 80 my own I have hereunto affixed my signature

in presence of two witnesses.

JOSEPH HAMMERL.

Witnesses:

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