

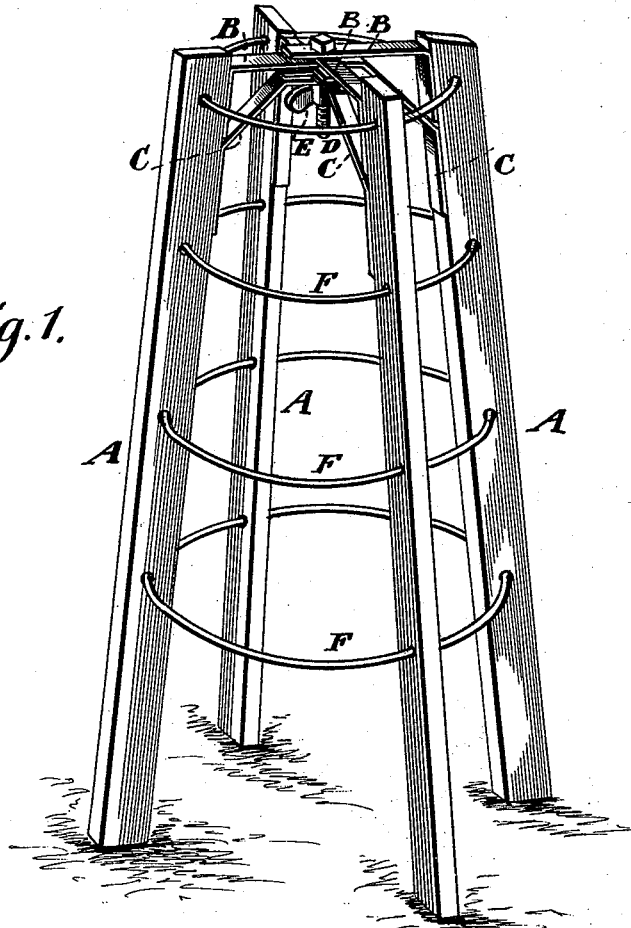
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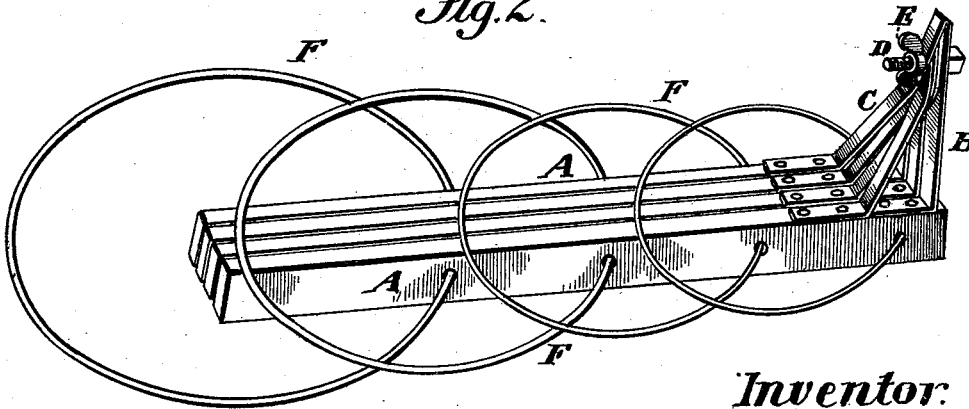
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



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## CLOTHES-DRIER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM E. B. HARRIS, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Vincennes, in the county of Knox and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Clothes-Driers, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

10 The special object of the invention is to make a clothes-drier which may be conveniently folded and hung up out of the way when not in use.

15 The invention consists in the combination of parts by which this purpose may be effected.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a perspective view of my clothes drier, showing it ready for use, and Fig. 2 a perspective view of the same 20 when closed up and ready to be hung up or put in some convenient place.

In the drawings, A represents the legs of which there must be three or more, each having, on the inside and near the top, the arms 25 B C. Through the free and interlapping ends of these arms passes centrally the screw pivot D on whose lower end works a thumb screw E.

30 F F are a series of rings increasing in circumference toward the bottom and passing in a horizontal plane through the legs A, at any preferred distance from each other. On these, the clothes are intended to be hung and

the legs to be turned so as to bring them together.

35 When the drier is opened out for use as shown in Fig. 1 of the drawings, the thumb-nut E may be screwed up tight by a few turns, when the drier will stand firm and with scarcely a possibility of falling. On the other 40 hand, when the nut is loosened, the legs may all be quickly brought together and the rings permitted to drop on them so as to bring the drier into a compact form for being hung up or packed away, as clearly shown in Fig. 2 of 45 the drawings.

Having thus described all that is necessary to a full understanding of my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to protect by Letters Patent, is—

50 A clothes-drier consisting of the legs A connected with a central screw clamp pivot by radial arms near the top and with a series of circular rings passing loosely therethrough, the said legs turning on said rings to fold up 55 and the said rings adapted to stand horizontally when in use and to drop on the inside of the legs when the latter are brought together, all substantially as shown and described. 60

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

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