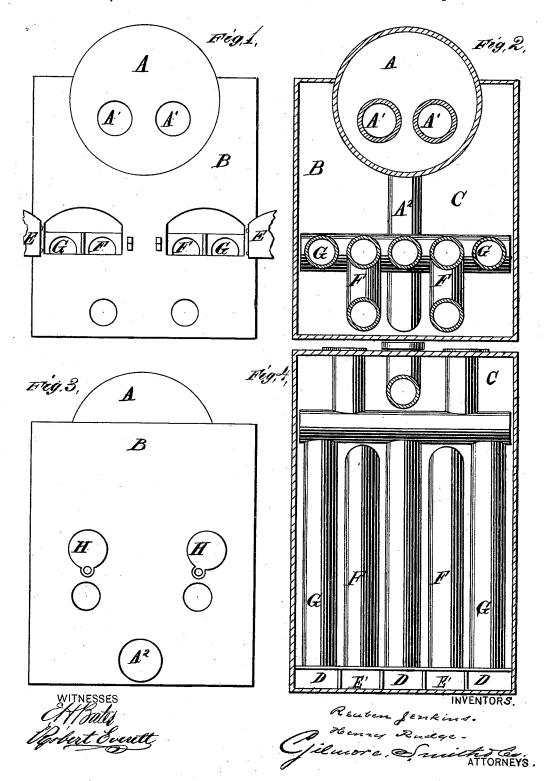
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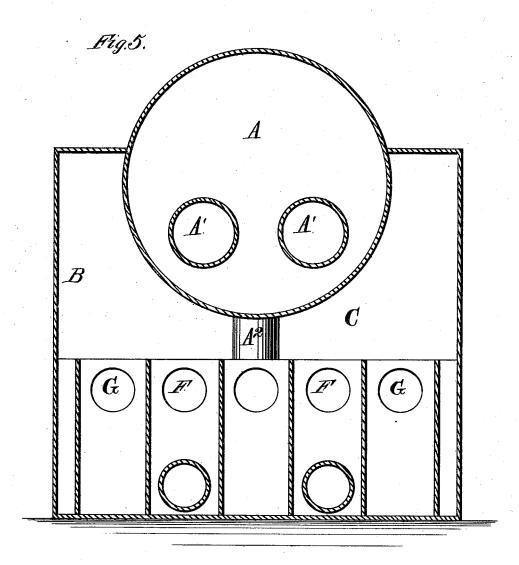
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IMPROVEMENT IN FURNACES FOR STEAM-GENERATORS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, REUBEN JENKINS and HENRY RUDGE, of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a new and valuable Improvement in Steam-Generators; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, and to the letters and figures of reference marked there-

Figure 1 of the drawings is a representation of a front elevation of our steam-generator, and Fig. 2 is a transverse vertical sectional view of the same. Fig. 3 is a rear vertical view, and Fig. 4 is a longitudinal sectional view thereof. Fig. 5 is a vertical cross-section through the cells D E.

Our invention relates to certain improvements in steam-generators, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

In the accompanying drawings, A designates a boiler or steam-generator of any ordinary construction, which is set into and sustained by a casing, B. A' A' are pipes or flues traversing said boiler, and opening at one end into combustion-chamber C at the rear end under the boiler, inside of said casing, and at the other end opening into the escape-flue or the air outside. A^2 is a pipe extending from the bottom of said boiler through said casing, and allows the water contained in the boiler to be drawn off at will. D D E' E' are cells or boxes arranged along one side of said chamber, and against one of the upright walls of casing B. In said wall are doors E E, communicating with said cells. F F are gas-pipes, communicating with the gen-

erator or reservoir of carbonic oxide, and with cells E' E'. G G are air-pipes, communicating at one end with some air-heating device or hot-air reservoir, and at the other end with cells D D. The pipes F and G are arranged alternately with reference to the cells, only one pipe communicating with each cell. Thus gas-receiving cells alternate with air-receiving cells, and as their tops are left open, the contents mingle in combustion-chamber C. The air introduced through the pipes G G is sufficiently hot to ignite the carbonic oxide gas, and thereby to generate steam in boiler A. This is facilitated by tubes A¹ A¹, through which the products of combustion pass in escaping from the apparatus. Pipes F.F and G G are arranged partly or wholly at such a height that the burning gas and heated air of the combustion-chamber will circulate around them, and thereby heat their contents, thus facilitating the above-described operation, and lessening the initial amount of heat required for heating the air in pipes G. The air-pipes G are each provided with door, valve, or cutoff H, for regulating the supply of hot air.

What we claim as new, and desire to secure

by Letters Patent, is-

The combination of pipes F and G, in combustion-chamber C, with cells D D E' E' and pipes or flues A¹ A¹, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that we claim the above we have hereunto subscribed our names in the

presence of two witnesses.

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