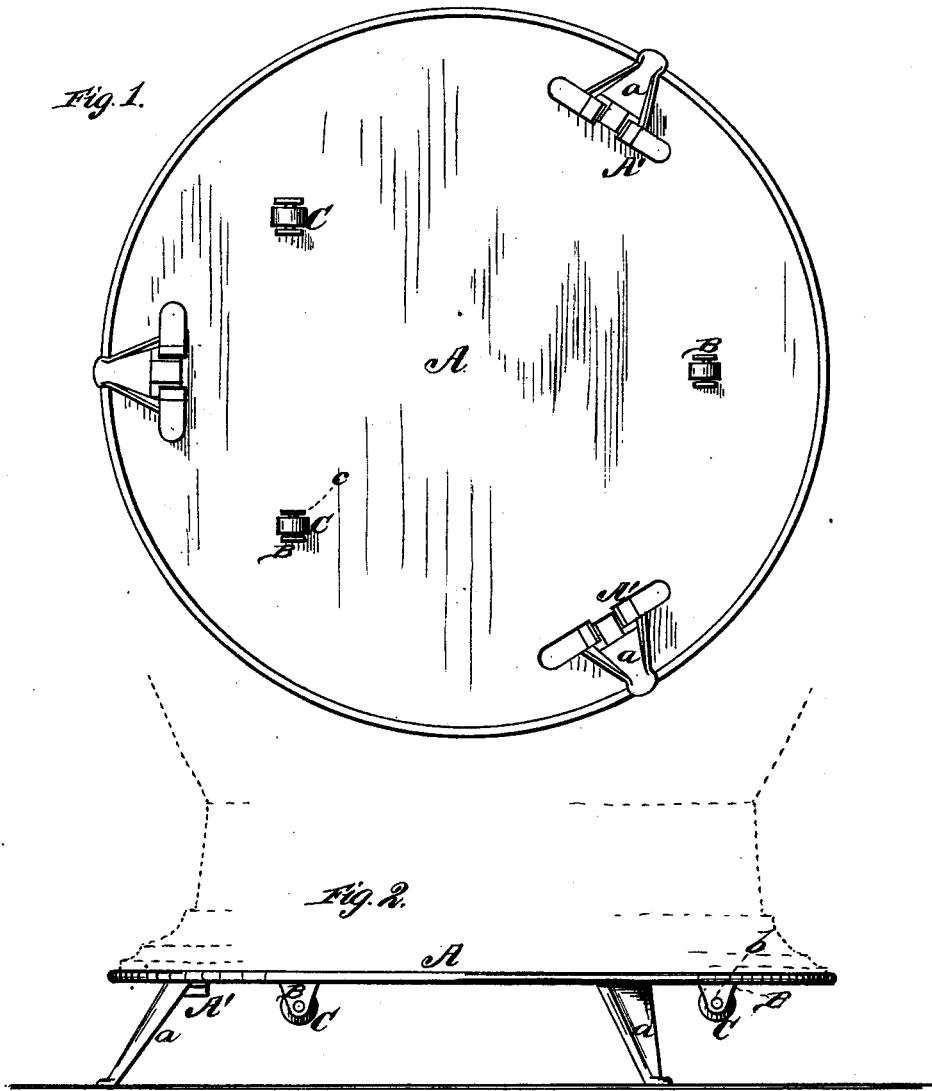


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## IMPROVEMENT IN BASES FOR STOVES.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JAMES M. HARPER, of El Paso, in the county of Woodford and State of Illinois, have invented a new and valuable Improvement in Bases for Stoves; and I 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 thereon.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a representation of a bottom plan of my base for stoves, and Fig. 2 is a side-elevation view of the same.

My invention relates to a base for stoves, and means by which the stove may be easily and readily transported from one room to another, such means being secured to or made in one with said stove-base, as will be more fully hereinafter set forth.

The under surface of the base which comprises my invention is provided with the ordinary leg-sockets, and also with three or more journal-bearings cast thereon, in which are hung rollers. These may be pivoted so as to turn in any direction without departing from the principle of my invention.

Referring to the drawing, A represents the stove-base; A', the leg-sockets, and *a* the legs. Cast upon the lower surface of this base are

lugs or journal-bearings B, pierced at *b* to receive the shaft *c* of the rollers C.

When it is desired to transport the stove from one place to another the legs are detached, which allows the stove to rest upon the rollers, and it may then be transported with ease.

The base may be square or round, or of other desired form, and any desirable number of rollers may be employed.

I am aware that stove-legs have been provided with casters, as shown in the patent to J. L. Cathcart, May 7, 1850; also, that the legs of stoves have been provided with conical drops, upon which caster-sockets have been slipped when it became necessary to transport the stove from room to room. I claim neither of these constructions.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The stove-base A, provided with ordinary legs *a* and lugs B and rollers C, as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony that I claim the above I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two witnesses.

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