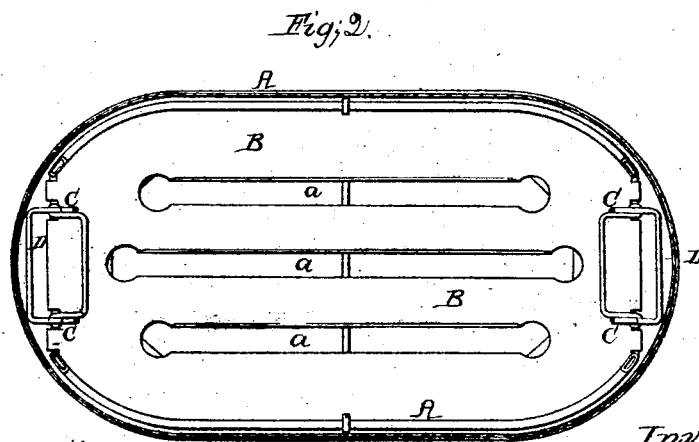
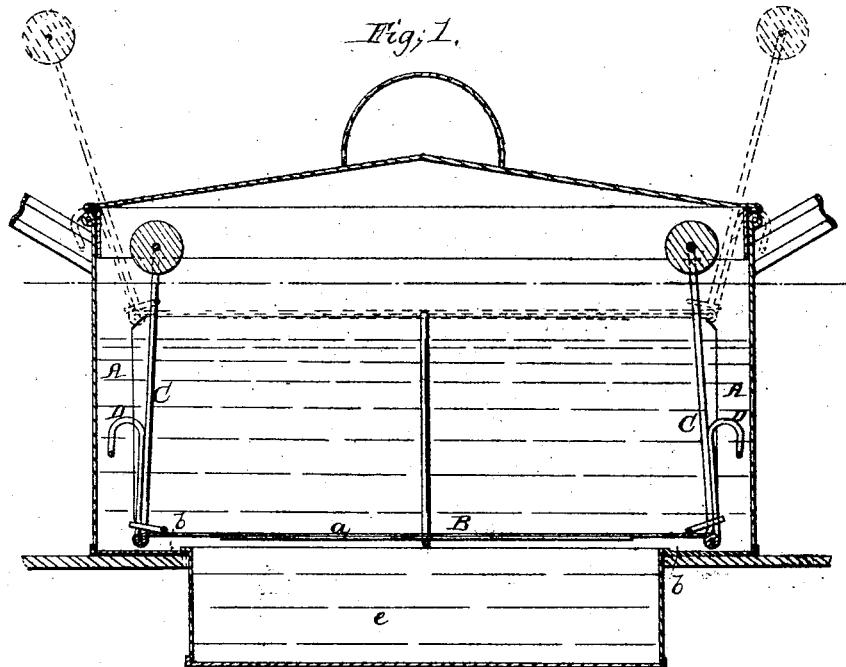


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COMBINED CLOTHES BOILER, DRAINER, &c.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 51,670, dated December 19, 1865.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANCIS BROWNING, of Watchel, Somersetshire, England, at present residing at Biddeford, Maine, have invented a new and Improved Clothes Drainer and Lifter and Clothes-Boiler combined; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable those skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a longitudinal vertical section of my invention. Fig. 2 is a plan or top view of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

My invention consists in the construction of a basket or receptacle for receiving the clothes to be boiled, the same to be inserted in and used in combination with a clothes-boiler, whereby the clothes, when sufficiently boiled, can be elevated and held in such position as to allow the water to drain off; then the receptacle can be lifted out with the drained clothes upon it, by which a great deal of labor and vexation will be saved.

To enable others to understand my invention, I will proceed to describe it.

A represents a clothes-boiler, which may be of the ordinary or any other suitable construction.

B represents the clothes holder or receptacle, of a shape similar to that of the boiler. In the present instance this is made with closed sides and a perforated bottom, as shown at *a a*, Fig. 2; but it is obvious that the whole receptacle can be perforated, if desired, and also that, instead of being made with closed sides

and perforated bottom, it can be made of wire-gauze or be simply a wire basket.

This clothes-receiver is intended to rest upon the bottom *b* of the boiler, but its bottom may be extended down into the sink *c* of the boiler, if desired.

This clothes-receiver is provided with two handles, *C C*, one at each end, which are hinged or pivoted thereto at any suitable point. In the drawings they are shown as pivoted to the bottom of the receiver, at the ends thereof, and extending up to the top, but so as not to interfere with the placing of the lid upon the boiler.

D D are hooks, which are connected to the handles *C*, the hooks *D D* being toward the inner surface of the boiler.

When it is desired to drain the clothes, the receptacle is drawn up by the handles *C* and the hooks *D D* thrown over the top of the boiler, as shown in red outline in Fig. 1. After the water has been sufficiently drained off, the receiver is lifted out, and the clothes can be disposed of as desired. During this draining and cooling operation cold water can be thrown on the clothes to expedite the cooling.

The receiver does not in the least hinder the boiling of the clothes, and its use saves a laborious and vexatious work, as can be readily understood.

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

A clothes-receiver, *B*, in combination with a clothes-boiler, substantially as and for the purpose herein set forth.

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