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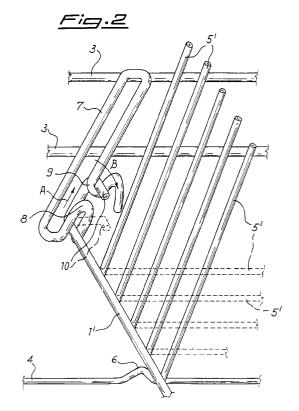
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(54) Dishwasher basket with foldable plate-holding racks

A dishwasher basket made from steel wire (1, 2, 3, 4, 5) includes at least two rows of vertical supporting rods (5') acting as a plate-holding rack, the rods (5') being connected through a horizontal rod (1') rotatable about its axis and provided with an end stop (2') suitable to lock its rotation when the rack is in the vertical position, said connecting rod (1') being rotatable so as to take the rods (5') to a horizontal position, the movement of the end stop (2') being defined by a shaped locking member (7) also made from steel wire and integrated in the basket structure. The stop (2') has the shape of a C facing towards the inside of the basket and the locking member (7) has two vertical opposite U-shaped loops, a lower loop (8) open downwards and an upper loop (9) open upwards, whose mutual distance and depth are such as to allow the locking and unlocking of the rack through a roto-translational movement of the stop (2').



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