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Fig. 1.

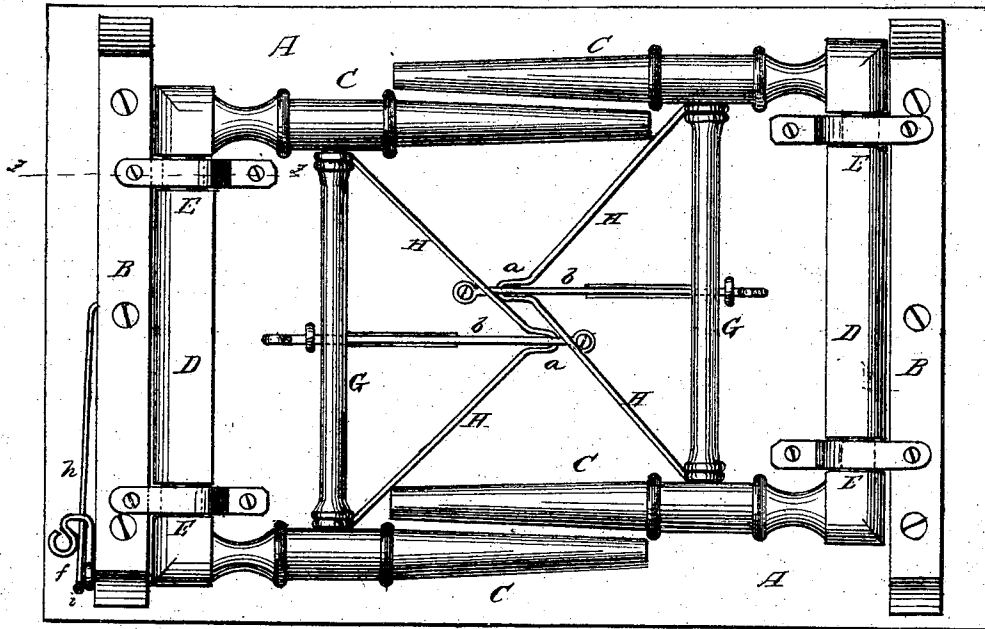
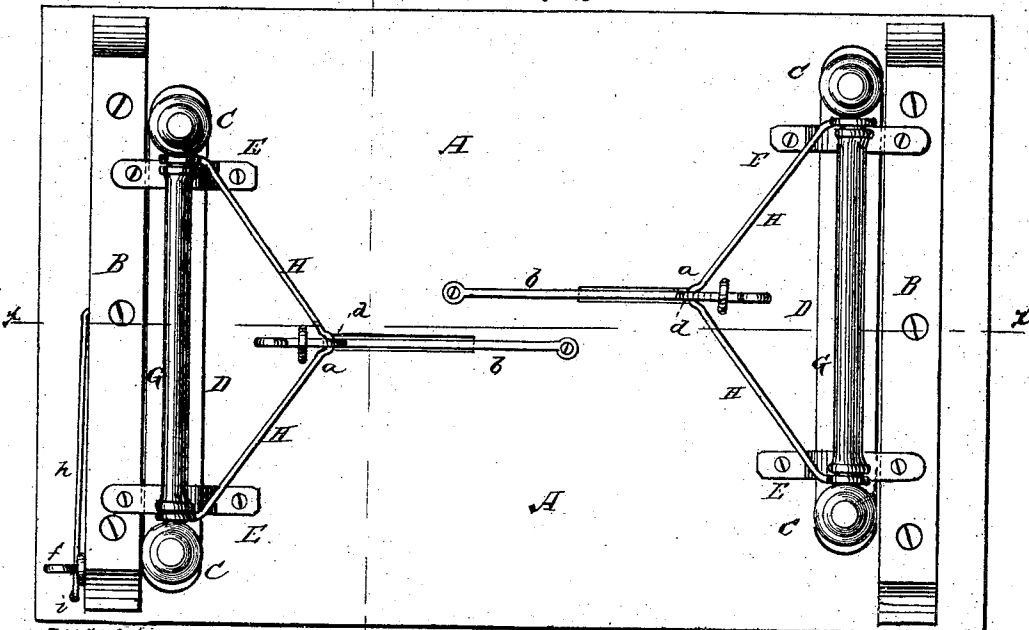


Fig. 2.



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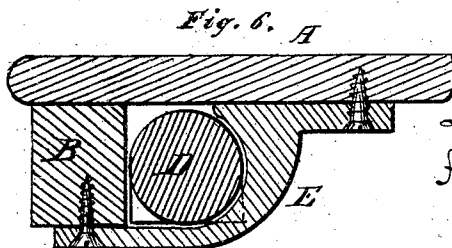
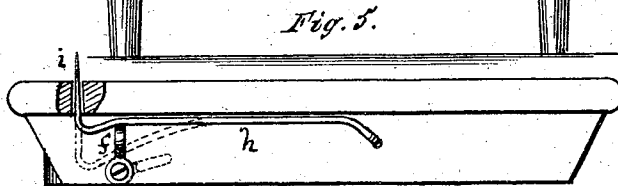
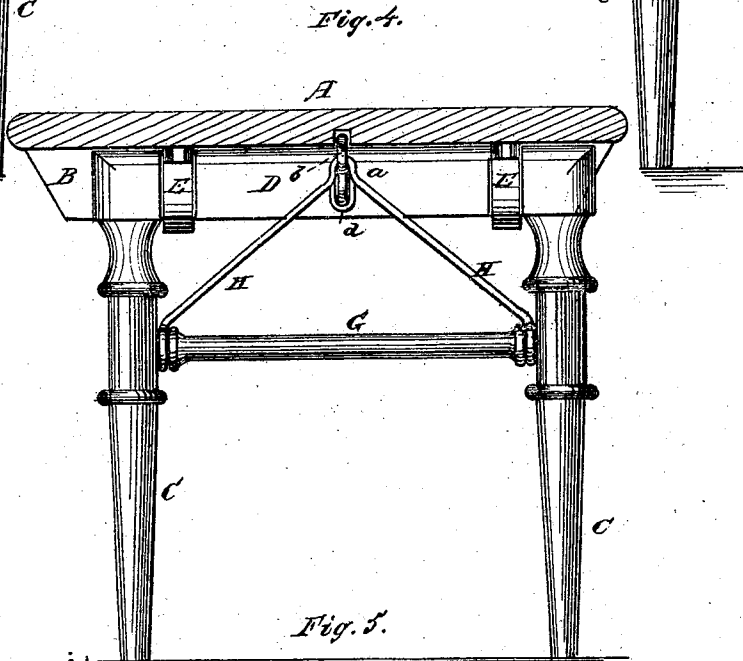
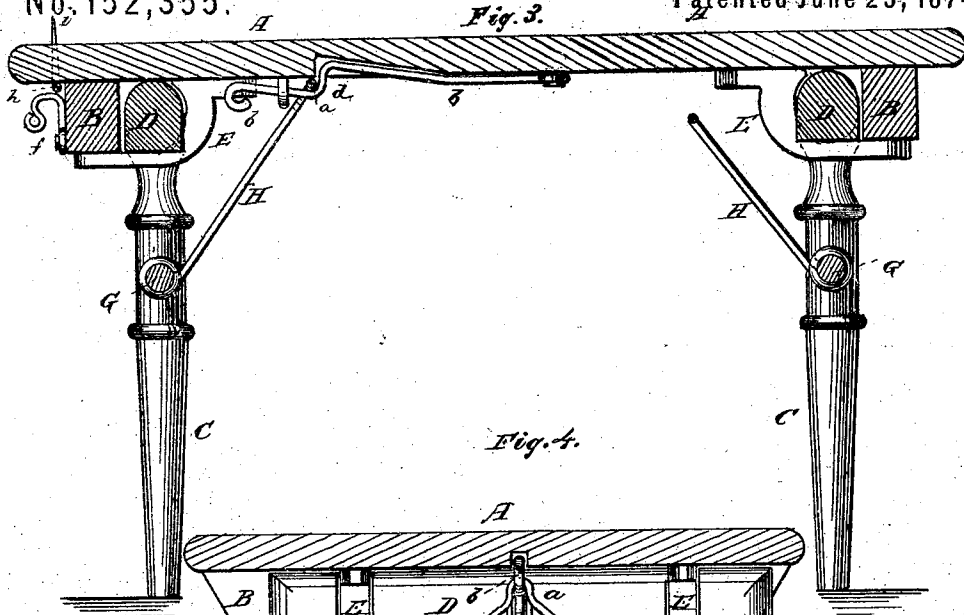
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IMPROVEMENT IN SEWING-TABLES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, LEANDER J. FLING and ABEL LAND, of Hillsdale, in the county of Hillsdale and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Sewing-Tables; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The nature of our invention consists in the construction and arrangement of a sewing-table; and consists in an improvement upon our patent, No. 145,858, in providing the brace, formed of one piece, with a loop in the center, and combining the same with a spring of peculiar form, so that the two parts form the entire mechanism for holding the legs in proper position; also, in the construction and arrangement of a basting-hook, as hereinafter more fully set forth.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which our invention appertains to make and use the same, we will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a bottom view with the legs folded. Fig. 2 is a bottom view with the legs extended. Fig. 3 is a section through line *x x*, Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a section through line *y y*, Fig. 2, and Figs. 5 and 6 are details.

A represents the table-top, provided on its under side, near each end, with a cross-bar, B, securely fastened thereto to keep it from warping. At each end of the table are two legs, C C, which are firmly fastened by their upper ends to a cross-bar, D. This cross-bar revolves, one-fourth of a revolution, in clips E E, which are fastened to the under sides of the table-top A and the stationary cross-bar B, the revolving cross-bar being placed against the inner side of said stationary cross-bar. The legs C C are further connected by a round, G, around which, at the ends or other suitable points, are placed the ends of a wire brace, H, made of one piece, and forming a loop, *a*, in the middle. This loop passes over a wire

spring, *b*, fastened at one end to the under side of the table-top, and the free or loose end of the spring forms a stop, *d*, which enters a groove or recess in the under side of the top A. The stop *d* is arranged at such a point that, when the legs are thrown down perpendicularly, the loop *a* of the brace H will be held against the stop, and thus hold the legs steady, so that the two parts H and *b*, by their peculiar construction, in connection with the groove in the table, form a complete device for holding the legs in position, thus simplifying the construction by using a less number of parts, and making the device more simple in use. On the outer side of one of the stationary cross-bars B is attached the end of a spring wire, *h*, which extends forward under the end of the table-top, and the front end of said wire is bent upward, forming a hook, *i*. This hook passes up through a hole in the top A, and is held by means of a latch, *f*, so that the point of the hook will project a suitable distance above the table. The hook *i* is used as a basting-hook, and when not needed for use the latch is turned to one side, when the hook springs down below the upper surface of the table-top.

Having thus fully described our invention, what we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The table-top A, grooved on the under side, and the spring-bar *b*, provided with the stop *d*, in combination with the brace H, having the loop *a* and legs C, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

2. The spring *h*, one end forming the hook *i*, and bar B, in combination with the perforated table-top A, and the pivoted latch *f*, all substantially as and for the purpose described.

In testimony that we claim the foregoing as our own we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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