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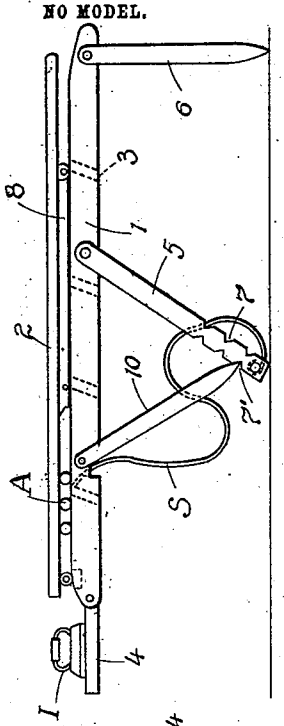


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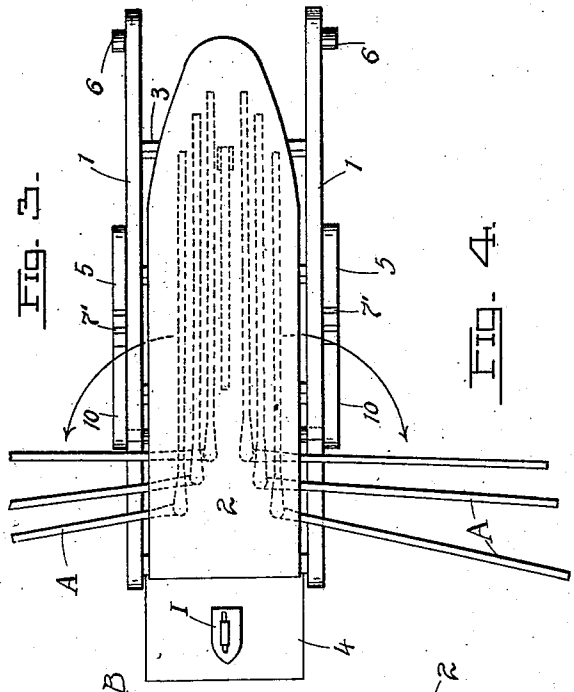


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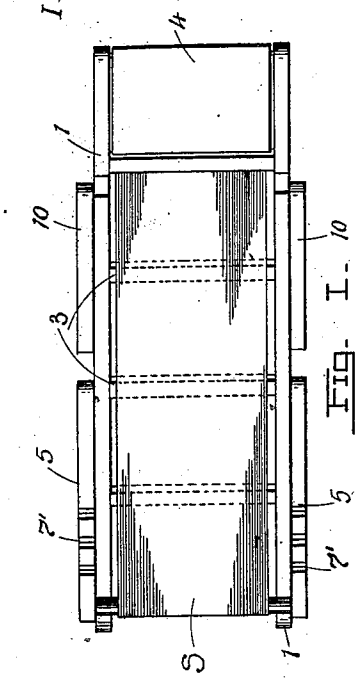


Fig. 1.

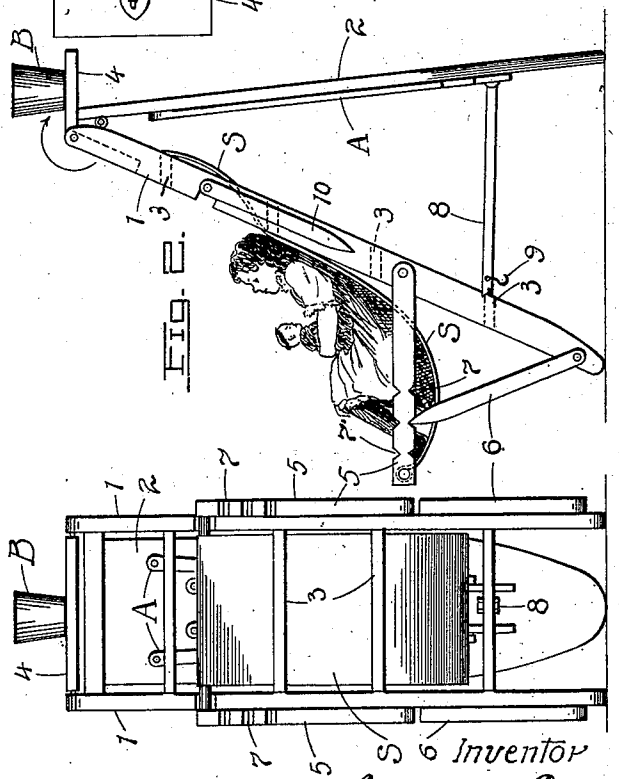


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM SAVIDGE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Greenfield, in the county of Greene and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Ironing-Boards, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part hereof.

My invention has relation to improvements in combination ironing-boards; and it consists in the novel construction and arrangement of parts more fully set forth in the specification and pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a plan view of the device folded up completely. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the device unfolded to form a reclining-chair. Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the device unfolded to form an ironing-board. Fig. 4 is a top plan of Fig. 3, showing in addition, however, the clothes-supporting arms swung outwardly; and Fig. 5 is a front view showing the application of the device as a step-ladder.

The object of my invention is to construct an ironing-board which can be converted into a reclining-chair, a step-ladder, or an ironing-board proper, as will more fully appear from a detailed description of the invention, which is as follows:

Referring to the drawings, 1 and 2 represent two folding members hinged together at one end, the member 1 being provided with a series of strips 3, serving as steps when the device is used as a step-ladder. At the top of member 1 is pivoted a leaf 4, adapted when swung, as shown in Fig. 2, to be supported by the upper edge of the member 2, said leaf being pivoted directly to the member 1 and serving as a support for a bucket B. When not in use, it can be folded back between the side bars of the member 1, as shown in dotted lines in said Fig. 2. At a suitable point above the free end of the member 1 is pivoted a U-shaped frame 5, to the connecting-rod at the free end of which is secured one end of a sheet or web S, whose opposite end is secured to the rear of the uppermost step 3, and when the parts are unfolded, as seen in Fig. 2, the web S, together with the frame 5 and the supporting-framework, forms a chair, the frame being held elevated to any suitable position by the arms 6 6, pivoted at the outer ends of the side members of member 1, the opposite or pointed ends of the arms 6 6 entering notches 7 7, formed in the side members of the frame 5, as best shown in Fig. 2. When in the position shown in Fig. 2, the member 2 is coupled to the member 1 by a brace 8, pivoted to the member 2, and with its free notched end braced against the adjacent edge of one of the lower steps 3, to which it may be secured by a hook 9, if desirable.

To use the device as a step-ladder when unfolded to the position shown in Fig. 2, the frame 5 is simply folded up against the member 1 and the arms 6 6 folded against the sides of said member and the web S folded out of the way of the steps 3, as is obvious.

Pivoted beyond the frame 5 to the member 1 are arms 10 10, which when the device is unfolded, as shown in Fig. 3, are adapted to engage with their free ends the notches 7′ 7′ of the frame, the arms 6 6 in this case serving as the terminal legs for the ironing-board thus formed. As will be seen from the drawings, the member 2 serves as the ironing-board proper, and when thus serving in that capacity the leaf 4 serves as a support for the iron I, Fig. 3, the member 2 resting on top of member 1. In that position the brace 8 is folded against the bottom of the member 2. The latter is provided with a series of clothes-supporting arms A, pivoted on each side of the longitudinal medial line of the said member, said arms being adapted to be swung outwardly for the support of the clothes, said arms swinging in a plane parallel to the plane of the board 2.

It is apparent, of course, that I may depart in a measure from the details here shown without affecting either the nature or spirit of my invention.

Having described my invention, what I claim is—

1. A combination ironing-board comprising two members hinged together at one end, a leaf pivoted to one of the members adjacent to and beyond the hinge-line, a frame pivoted to the same member near the free end thereof, a series of steps forming a part of said member, a sheet having one end secured to the free end of the frame, and the opposite end to one of the steps, and suitable arms

pivoted to said member on either side of the frame for supporting the latter from either direction, substantially as set forth.

2. A combination ironing-board comprising two members hinged together at one end, a leaf pivoted to one of the members adjacent to and beyond the hinge-line, a U-shaped frame pivoted to the first member, a series of steps forming a part of said first member, a sheet or web having its opposite ends secured respectively to the free end of the frame and to one of the extreme steps, arms pivoted to the first member on either side of the frame and adapted to support the latter from either direction when unfolded, a brace pivoted to the inner surface of the second member and adapted to bear against one of the series of steps, and a series of arms pivoted to swing parallel to the plane of the second member and carried by the latter for the support of the clothes, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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