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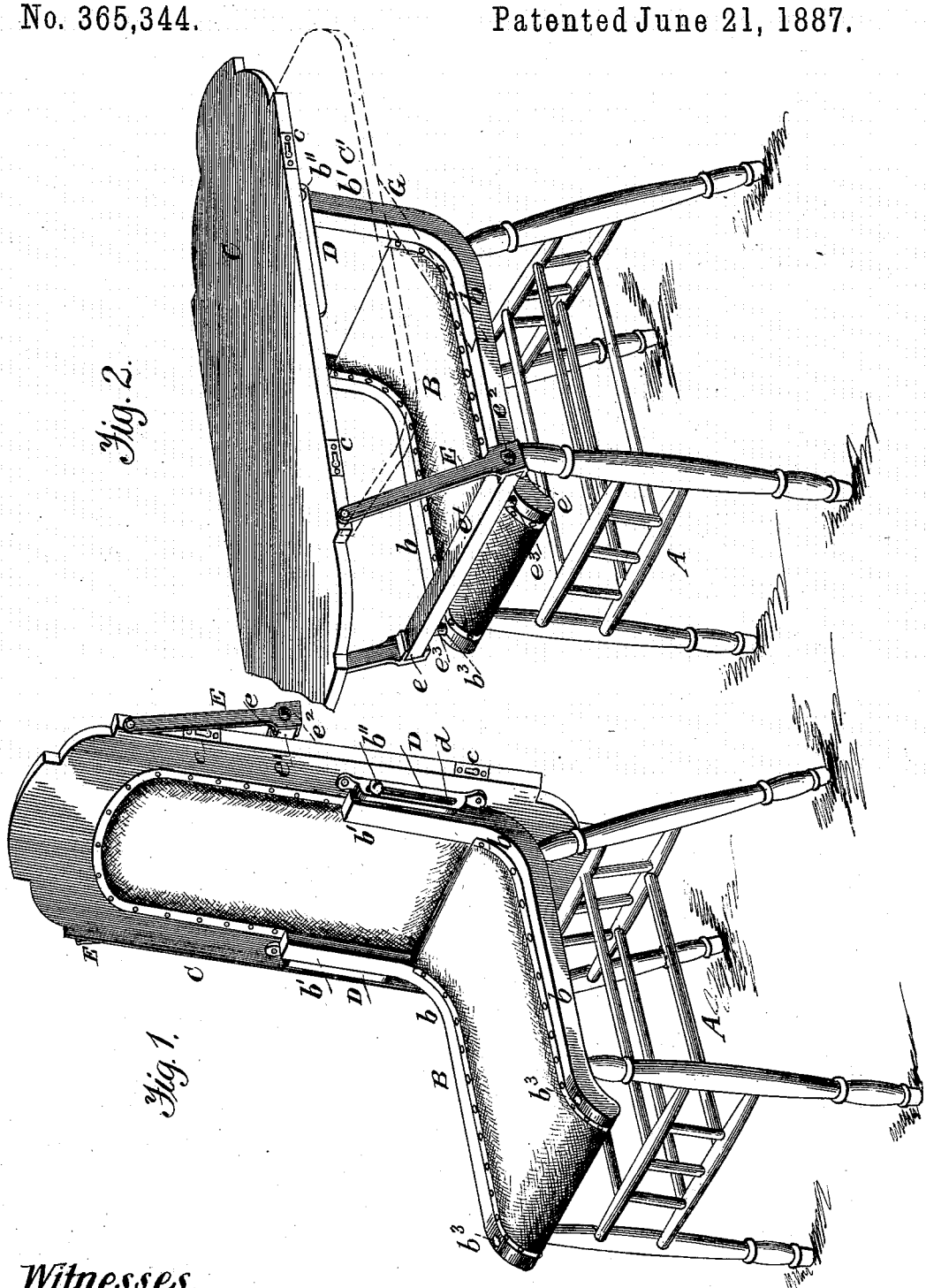


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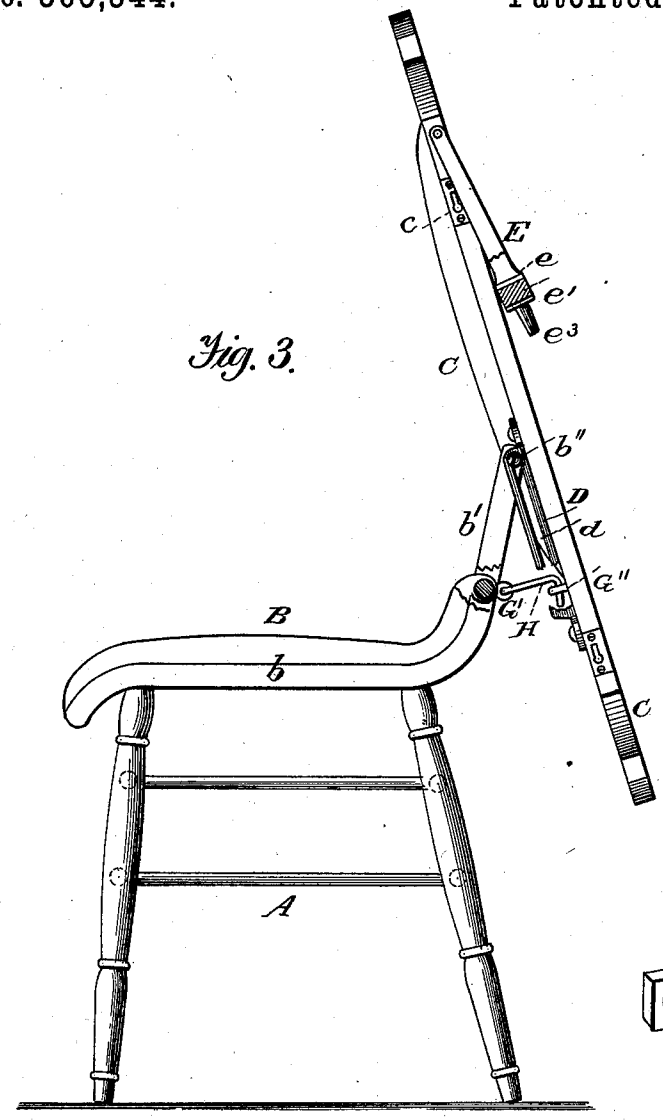


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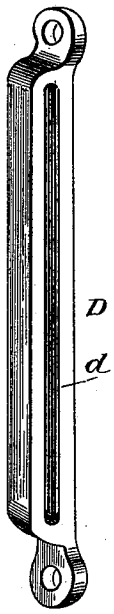


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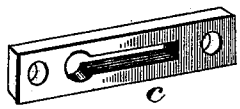
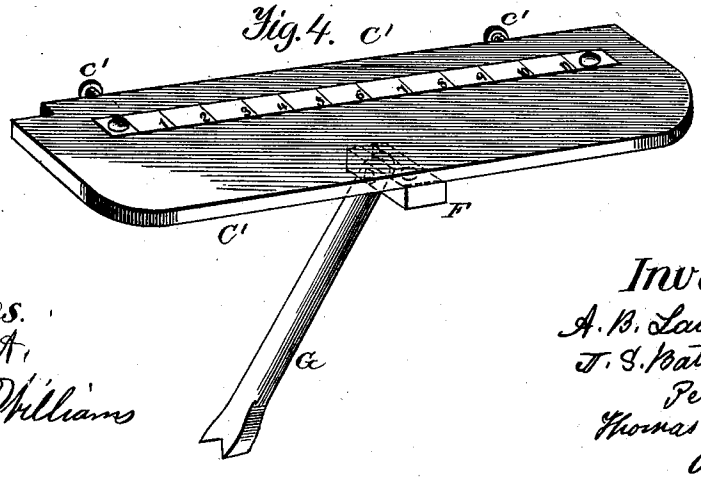


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, ARTHUR B. LAWRENCE and JOHN S. BATCHELDER, citizens of the United States, residing at South Ashburnham in the county of Worcester and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Combined Chair, Table, Music-Stand, and Easel-Holder; and we do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The special object of the invention is to produce an article of furniture which shall subserve the several purposes of a chair, table, music-holder, and easel-support.

The invention will first be described in connection with the drawings, and then pointed out in the claims.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a perspective view of the article when used as a chair; Fig. 2, a similar view of it when used as a table; Fig. 3, a longitudinal vertical section to show its use as a music or easel support; Fig. 4, a perspective detail view of the extension-leaf joint, and Fig. 5 a similar view of the slotted castings. Fig. 6 is a perspective view of one of the fixed eye-plates.

In the drawings, A represents the leg-frame of a chair, B the seat-frame, and C the back, the two latter being made separate and independent of each other. We make the seat-frame sides *b b* so as to form curved extensions *b' b'* flat on top, and which are provided with the fixed outer lateral headed pivots, *b'' b''*.

D D are castings attached to the front of the back C, parallel to each other, and provided with slots *d d*, the latter enabling them to slide on the said pivots *b''*. By this means the back C may first be turned in a horizontal plane and then slid forward until its center of gravity will be as nearly as possible coincident with that of the seat and leg frames A B.

E E are two metallic side arms pivoted to and near the top of the edges of the back C, and having at the front ends the inside grooves, *e e*, in which is held the connecting-bar *e'* by the end screws, e^2. On the under side of the bar *e'* we locate the pins e^3 e^3, which enter holes b^3 b^3 in the seat-frame, so as to firmly support the back C as a table-top. To one side of the back or table top C, we joint the leaf C' by means of the headed leaf-bolts *c' c'* and the fixed eye-plates *c c* on said back, the eyes being made of the key-hole form, so that the bolts may be entered and slid forward.

In order to brace the leaf C', we pivot the bifurcated piece F to the under side of the leaf, and between these bifurcations pivot one end of the brace-arm G, which is made angular at its free end, so as to fit on the angle of the seat-frame sides *b b*, as shown in Fig. 2 of the drawings. On the back and about the middle of the seat-bottom which is curved up at the rear, we place the screw-eye G', and to this pivot the hook H, while on the front of the lower part of the back we place another eye-screw, G'', in which the hook latches, so that the back may be held at a forward incline while the pivoted table-support is thrown over on the rear of the back C to hold music or an easel, which rests on the bar *e'* when the pivoted back is in the position shown in Fig. 3 of the drawings.

We are aware that a combined sofa and table is described in the expired Patent No. 5,390; also, that a combined table, skirt-board, and sofa are described in the patent No. 54,140; hence we desire to disclaim everything shown and described in these patents.

Having thus described all that is necessary to a full understanding of our invention, what we claim as new, and desire to protect by Letters Patent, is—

1. A combined chair and table formed with the leg-frame A, seat-frame B, and pivoted sliding back C, said back and seat-frame being connected to allow the back to turn and slide over the seat, and the said back being provided with a hinged front support fitting holes of the seat-frame, as shown and described.

2. The pivoted arms E E, having the cross-bar *e'*, screw held in grooves thereof, and provided with pins e^3 e^3, in combination with the

pivoted back, and a seat-frame having the holes $b^3 b^3$, whereby the table may be supported in front, as specified.

3. The combination, with the table or back C, of the leaf C', held thereto by a bolt-and-key-hole joint and supported by an oblique brace, said brace consisting of the pivoted piece F, and the brace-arm G, pivoted between the bifurcations of the piece F, and angled at the end, so as to fit across the angle of the seat-frame sides b b, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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