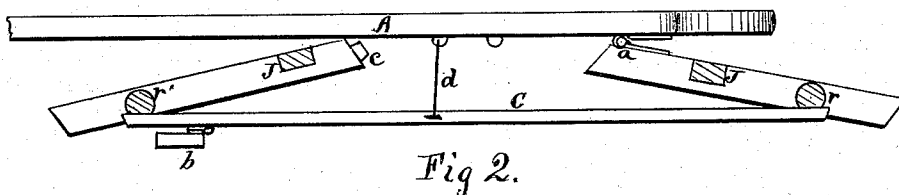
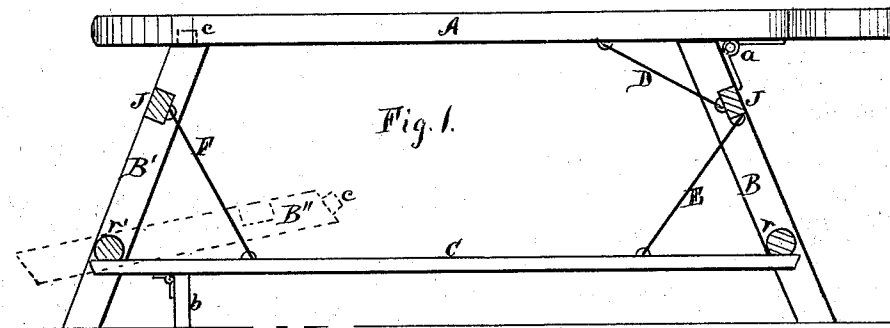


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IMPROVEMENT IN IRONING-TABLES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, ROBERT LORENZ and AUGUST POGGENDORFF, of Rochester, in the county of Monroe and State of New York, have invented certain Improvements in Ironing Boards or Tables, of which the following is a specification:

This invention consists, mainly, in providing a hinged brace in an ironing-table having four folding legs, said brace being so arranged as to support the table-bed in a horizontal position when one pair of the legs are folded down, as when the work is being placed upon or discharged from the table.

Figure 1 is a side elevation of our invention, the dotted lines B'' indicating the folded position of the legs B' for the application to or the discharge of the garment from the implement. Fig. 2 represents the implement folded up as when not in use.

The bed A may be made of any suitable length and width, preferably six or seven feet long, and sixteen to twenty inches wide. It is mounted upon four legs, B and B'. The legs B are hinged to the bed A, as shown at *a*, and are connected together by the cross-bar J. The legs B' are similarly framed together, but are detachably connected to the bed A by dowels *c* and sockets. The two pairs of legs are connected together by the tie-bar C, the ends of which are rigidly fixed to the rollers *r* and *r'*. These are journaled to the legs, which are thus permitted to be folded up when desired, and at the same time to be retained in their proper adjustment when the implement is in use. The hook-braces D and E secure the fixed relative position of the bed A, legs B, and tie-rod C, the bed being retained in a nearly or quite horizontal position by these parts, in connection with the jack *b* near the opposite end of the tie-bar. When the legs B' are folded in the position indicated by the

dotted lines B'', as when a skirt is being placed upon or removed from the bed, the jack *b* may be hinged to the bar, as shown, so as to fold up. The object of the brace D is to sustain the table-bed A rigidly in its horizontal position when the legs B' are folded down, as when a skirt is being placed upon or removed from it, leaving both hands of the attendant free to handle the work.

After a skirt is placed upon the bed A preparatory to being ironed, the legs B' are swung up to the position shown in full lines in Fig. 1, and the brace F is hooked, thus organizing a firm four-legged ironing board or table, which remains such during the time the garment is being ironed, and yet which is readily adjusted, so as to receive or discharge a garment.

The right-hand end of the bed may overhang, as shown, and is made somewhat narrower to be used for ironing shirt-bosoms upon, which has been found very convenient.

If desired, the bed A might be upholstered, so as to constitute an "ironing-sheet" and board combined. By means of the hook *d* the implement may be secured in a compact form or condition when not in use.

What we claim is—

1. The table A and legs B hinged thereto, in combination with braces D and E, bar C, and stud *b*, arranged to operate conjointly substantially in the manner and for the purposes set forth.

2. In combination with the table A and folding legs B', the bar C, brace F, and stud *b*, constructed and arranged to be operated in the manner and for the purposes herein shown and described.

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