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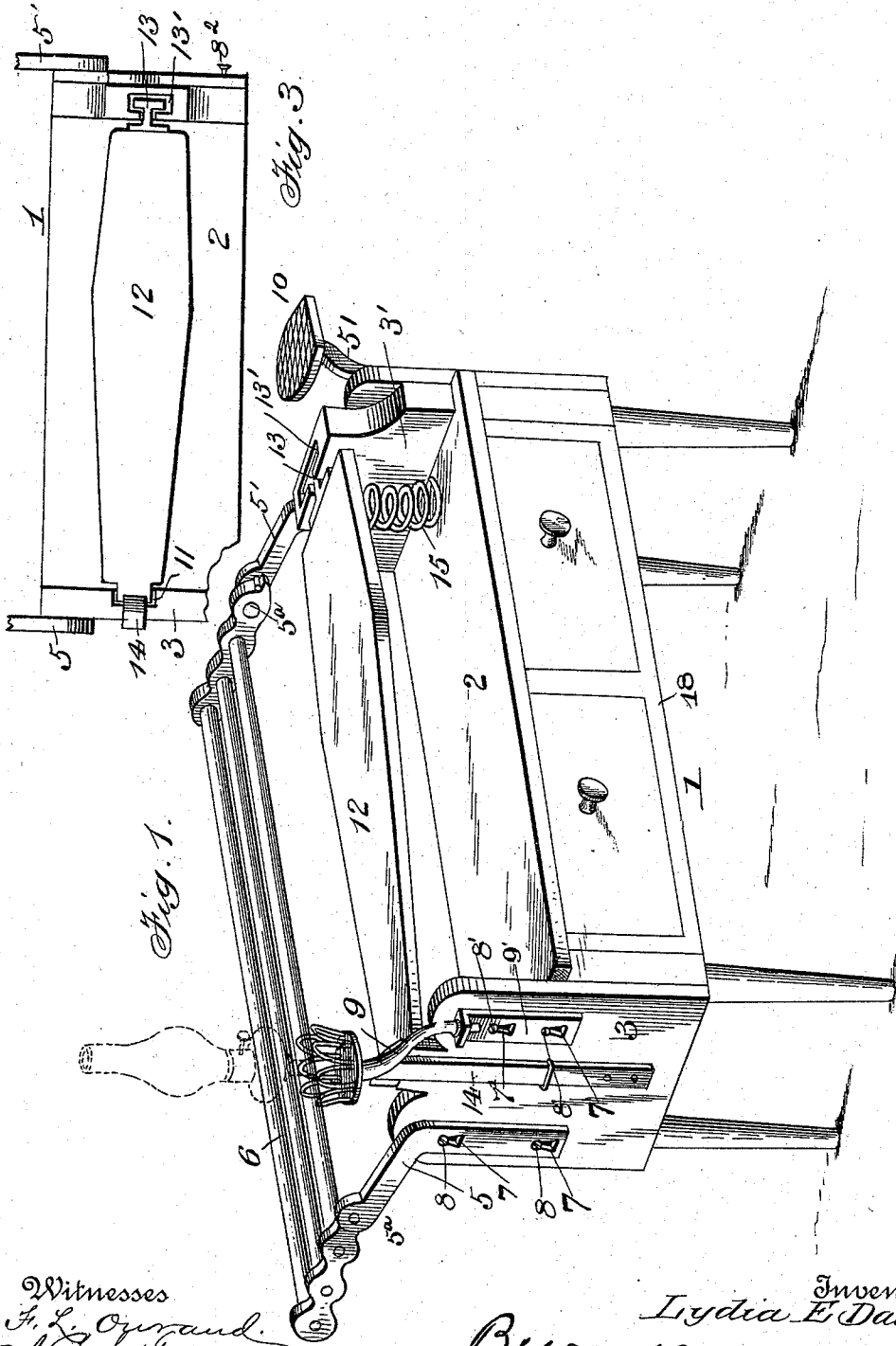


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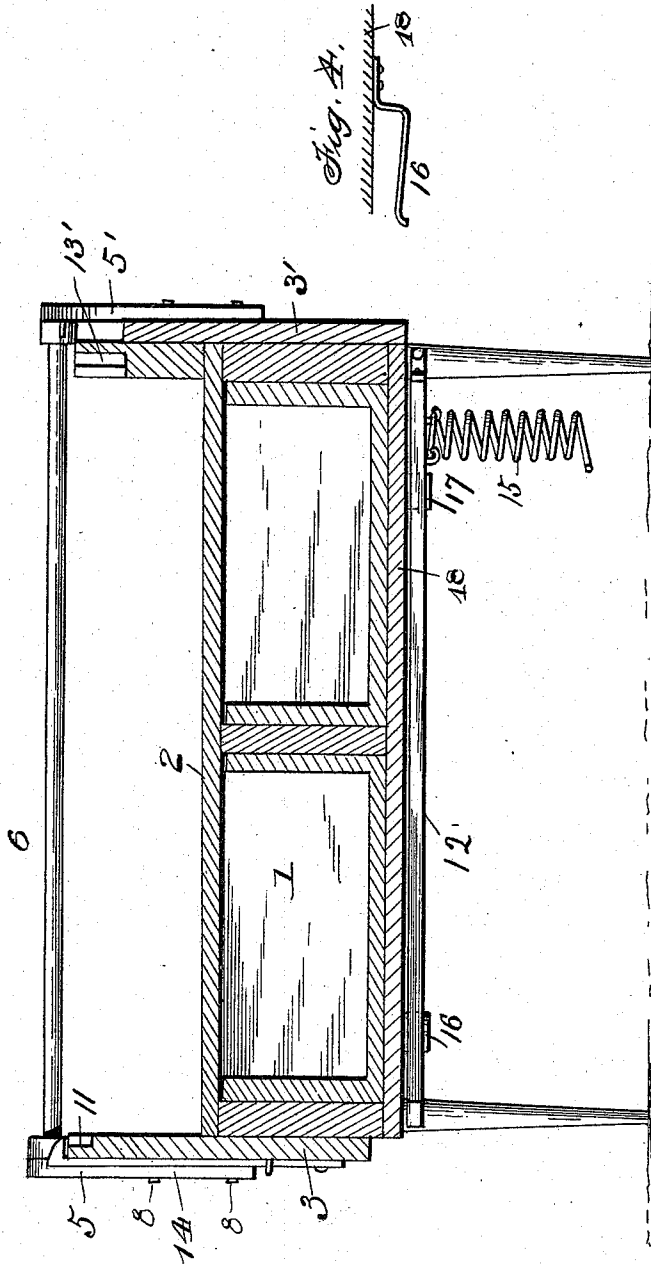
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LYDIA ELIZABETH DAWSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Downing, in the county of Dunn and State of Wisconsin, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Ironing-Tables; and I 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.

My invention has relation to ironing-cabinets for household use, and the object is to provide a handy and convenient device of this kind that will facilitate the operation of ironing and at the same time provide a receptacle for the finished clothes; and to these ends the invention consists in the construction, combination, and arrangement of the same, as will be hereinafter more fully described, and particularly pointed out in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings the same figures of reference indicate the same parts of the invention.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved ironing-cabinet in position ready for use. Fig. 2 shows the same when used as a kitchen-table. Fig. 3 is a top plan view of the ironing-table with the lamp and sad-iron brackets removed and the clothes-rack broken away, and Fig. 4 is a detail of the spring-clip for supporting the ironing-board when not in use.

1 is the cabinet proper, and it is provided with the usual legs and a pair of drawers and a top 2. The side 3 is provided with a pair of screws 8 8, arranged vertically one above the other, to which is removably secured a detachable arm 5, to which is hinged at 5^a one end of a folding clothes-rack 6, the other end being hinged in a similar arm 5', detachably secured to the opposite side 3'. These arms 5 5' are each provided with two inverted-V-shaped slots 7 7, the base of which permits the arms being inserted over the heads of the screws 8 8 and then dropped down, so that the contracted end of the slot will engage both the body and the head of

the screw to hold the arm rigidly in place when in use; but by simply raising the arms up they can be instantly detached from the sides when desired.

9 and 10 are swivel-lamp and flat iron brackets, respectively, and are likewise detachable when necessary.

The lamp-bracket 9 is swiveled in the socket 9', which is formed with two inverted-V-shaped slots 7', the base of which permits of the socket being inserted over the heads of the screws 8' and then dropped down, so that the contracted upper end of the slot will engage both the body and the head of the screw to hold the socket rigidly in place. The side 3' is likewise furnished with screws 8², (shown in Fig. 3,) and corresponding retaining-slots are formed in the lower part of the sad-iron bracket 10, and it is secured in place in exactly the same manner as that described for the lamp-bracket socket.

12 is the ironing-board, and its head is provided with a T-shaped arm 13, which is vertically movable, and also forms a pivotal connection in the T-shaped vertical slot 13' in the side piece 3', and its other end or foot rests in a correspondingly-shaped recess 11, formed in the top portion of the side piece 3, where it is detachably secured in place in said recess by a flat spring-catch 14, as shown.

15 is a coiled spring, one end of which is secured to the under side of the head of the board 12, and its free end rests upon the top 2 of the cabinet. This feature, in connection with the T-shaped arm 13, permits the head of the board to yield when pressure is applied thereto and greatly relieves the fatigue of ironing. While in use the head of the board remains connected to the side piece 3', and the foot may be temporarily released by pressing the flat spring-catch 14 back. The foot of the board can then be elevated to place a skirt or similar article of apparel over the board, which is then restored to place and held there by said spring-catch while the ironing is going on, and after that is completed the board can be removed from its position by pressing back the spring-catch 14, and the board can then be retained by the

spring-clips 16 17, both of the same construction, secured to the under side or bottom 18 of the cabinet, which forms a supporting-cover and prevents dirt and dust collecting
5 on the face of the board when not in use.

Although I have specifically described the construction and relative arrangement of the several elements of my invention I do not
10 desire to be confined to the same, as such changes or modifications may be made as clearly fall within the scope of my invention without departing from the spirit thereof.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new and useful, and desire to

secure by Letters Patent of the United States, 15 is—

A cabinet constructed substantially as described, comprising the side 3' formed with the vertical T-shaped slot 13', in combination with the removable ironing-board 12, 20 having the T-shaped arm 13 and spring 15, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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

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