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Fig. 1.

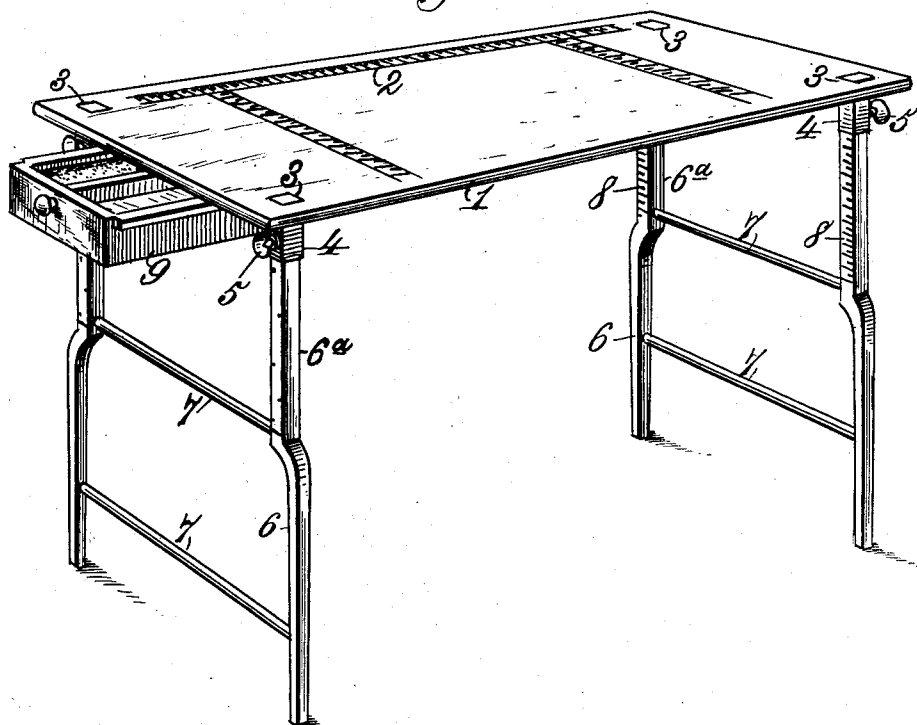
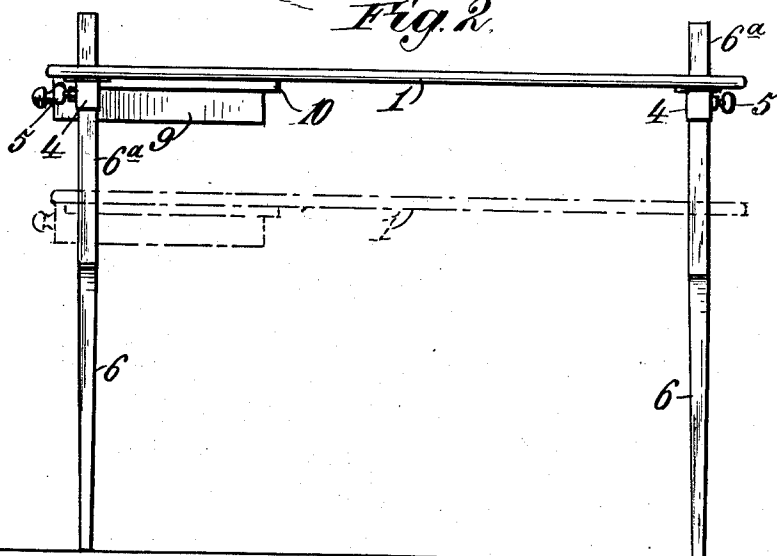


Fig. 2.



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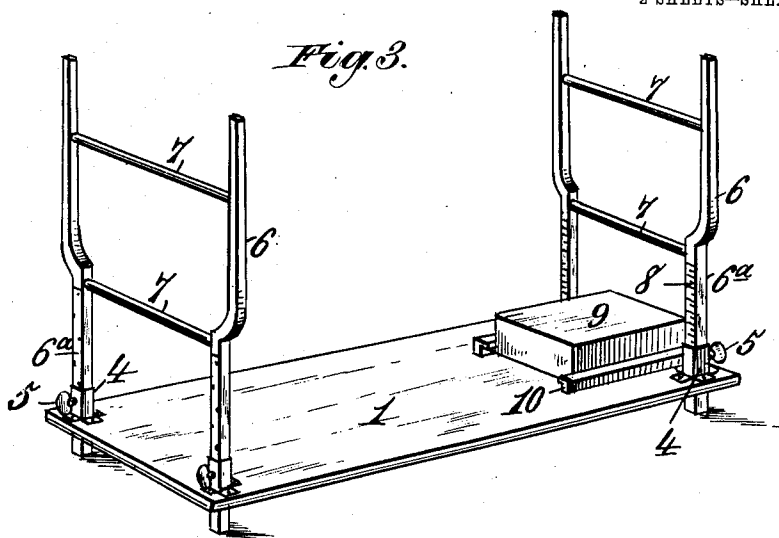
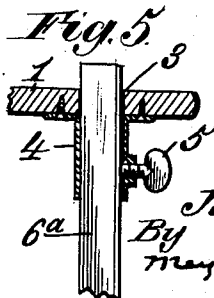
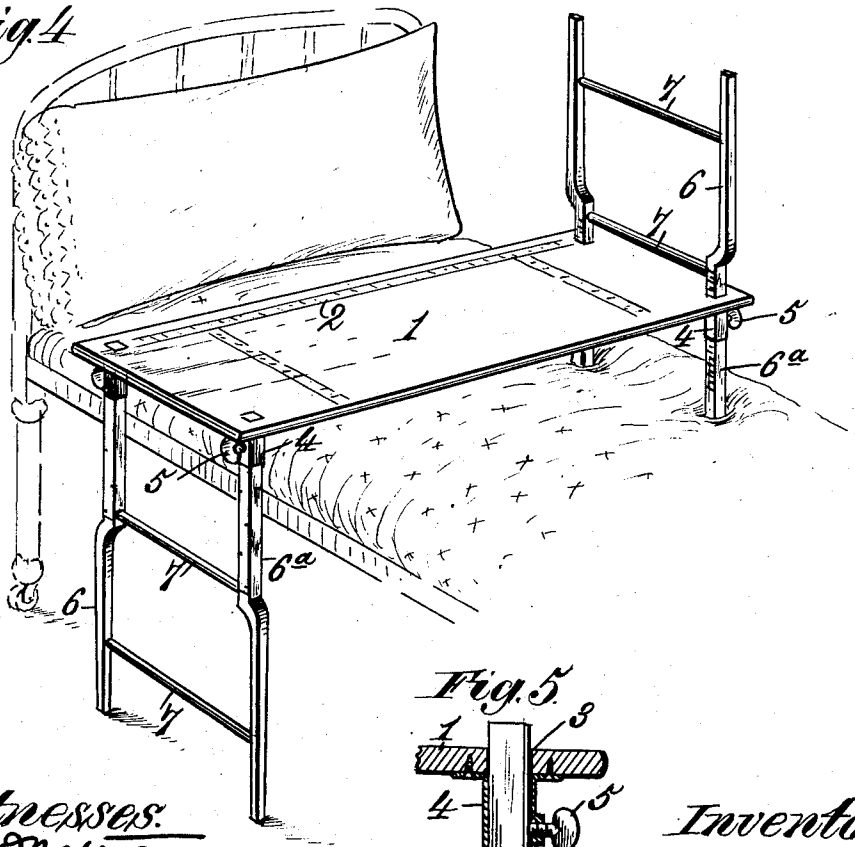


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES ROZEE, a subject of the King of Great Britain, residing at Yarmouth, in the Province of Nova Scotia and Dominion of Canada, have invented new and useful Improvements in Convertible Tables, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in convertible tables, and has for its object the provision of a work-table so constructed that it may with ease and facility be transformed for use as a work-table, a lap-board, a skirt-fitting appliance or measure, and an invalid or bed table.

To the end stated the invention consists in a convertible or transformable article constructed and having the features and adaptability hereinafter described, reference being had to the accompanying drawings to illustrate the same.

That which is regarded as new will be set forth in the clauses of claim appended to the description.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective of the article with its component parts adjusted to constitute a sewing-table. Fig. 2 is a side view, the parts adjusted to serve as a lap-board and, as indicated in dotted lines, as a skirt-fitting appliance suited for short or children's skirts. Fig. 3 is a perspective of the article adjusted to constitute a skirt-fitting appliance suitable for the fitting of long or adults' skirts. Fig. 4 is a perspective of the article with the parts disposed to constitute an invalid or bed table, and Fig. 5 is a detail section illustrating the connection of the table-top or platform element of the article with the supporting-legs therefor.

In the said drawings, the reference-numeral 1 designates the table-top or platform element of the article, which is broad and relatively thin and has a smooth flat continuous surface intended and adapted to efficiently support work when adjusted as a sewing-table or lap-board, or writing materials or meal service when used as a bed-table. The surface of the table-top or platform may be and as shown preferably is provided with a rule and scale 2. At the corners the table-top or platform is provided with perforations 3, in alignment with which beneath and secured to the table are sleeves 4, and combined therewith are binding devices, shown as thumb or set screws 5.

The table-top-supporting elements consist

of pairs of legs 6, the members of each pair being connected by spreader or brace rails 7, imparting stability and rigidity to the table. The supporting-legs 6 are shaped at one end 6^a to correspond with the shape of the sleeves 4 and the perforations 3 and are freely adjustable in or through and removable from said sockets and perforations, to the end that they may be associated with the table-top 1, as in Fig. 1, to provide a sewing or other work table having a continuous or unbroken work-supporting surface, or the legs may be adjusted with their ends passed upwardly through the table-top, resulting in a lowering of the latter to provide a lap-board, Fig. 2, in which use the legs beneath the table-top afford a means against which the limbs of the worker may be pressed to prevent the table slipping upon the lap, and the projected ends 6^a of the legs constitute guards between which the work, as dress material, may be disposed and by which such work is prevented from slipping or changing position, an occurrence which is exceedingly troublesome and annoying to a seamstress. In each of the adjustments described the transformation is maintained by applying the binding devices 5, which bind upon and firmly unite the table-top and supporting-legs in adjusted position.

With the parts in the relation shown in full lines in Fig. 2 the table may be reversed, as shown in Fig. 3, in which position the part 1 constitutes a platform or guide to facilitate the accurate fitting of skirts of adults to hang with a predetermined clearance from the ground. To permit accuracy of adjustment in this use of the article, the legs are graduated by scales 8 to the end that so much of the ends 6^a, Fig. 3, of the legs may be projected through the table-top that the surface of the latter will stand at the desired elevation from the ground. In use the individual being fitted will stand with the skirt overhanging the platform 1, and the skirt may with ease and facility be fitted to the exact length desired.

In use in fitting a child's skirt in respect to length the part 1 may be adjusted to the position shown, for instance, in dotted lines in Fig. 2, and the hem of the garment made to meet the surface of the said part 1. This convertibility of the article is of great utility in fitting one who is particular as to the hang and length of the skirt.

The legs are entirely removable from the

perforations 3 and sleeves 4 and may be entered thereinto from the reverse side, as shown in Fig. 4, thus transforming the article into an invalid or bed table, the legs entering in the table-top from opposite sides, one pair resting upon the floor of the room and the ends 6^a of the other pair upon the bed. By adjustment of the legs through the table-top in opposite directions the latter may be raised or lowered to suit the height of the bed from the floor or the comfort and convenience of the invalid. The braces or spreaders of the reversed pair of legs serve in this instance as a rack for the support of towels, napkins, or other linen, and the continuous flat table-top as a safe support for food and china or for writing materials, &c. A drawer 9 for containing utensils, such as needles, thimbles, pins, and other sewing tools or appurtenances, is fitted to move in guides 10 beneath the table-top, as shown.

By my invention I provide a table of new construction, possessing capacities of adjustment and transformation which fit it for use to accomplish purposes for which heretofore a number of separate articles or devices were necessary and which possesses, furthermore, the merit of simplicity of construction and adjustment and economy of manufacture.

Having thus described my invention, what

I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The herein-described new article of manufacture adapted to be converted for use as a work-holder, lap-board, a skirt-fitting appliance and an invalid or bed table, consisting of a table-top having a continuous unbroken surface, and provided at each corner with an opening, the openings at each end of the table-top being in transverse alinement, sleeves secured to the lower face of said top at each corner thereof and arranged in alinement with said openings, a vertical and adjustable leg extending through each of said openings and sleeves, means for bracing and connecting together each pair of legs arranged at each end of the table thereby causing when a leg is adjusted the vertical adjustment of a pair of legs, said means further constituting a stop for limiting the vertical movement of the legs, and set-screws extending through each of the sleeves, and engaging the legs for securing them in adjusted position.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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