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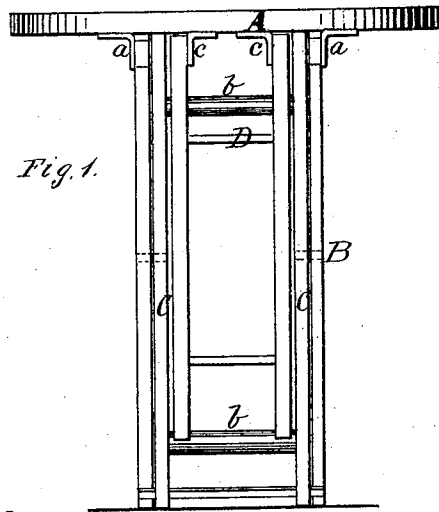


Fig. 1.

Fig. 2.

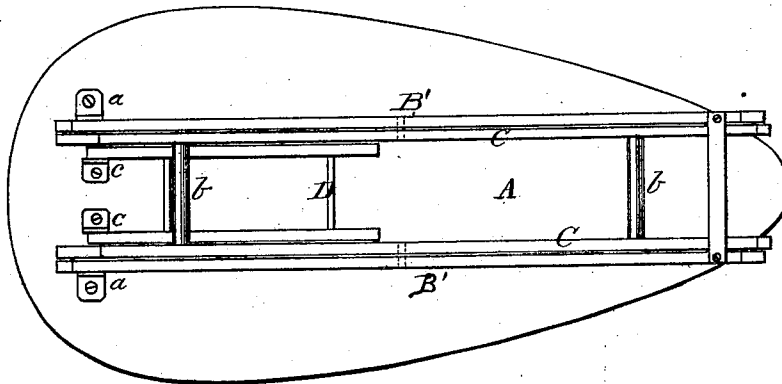
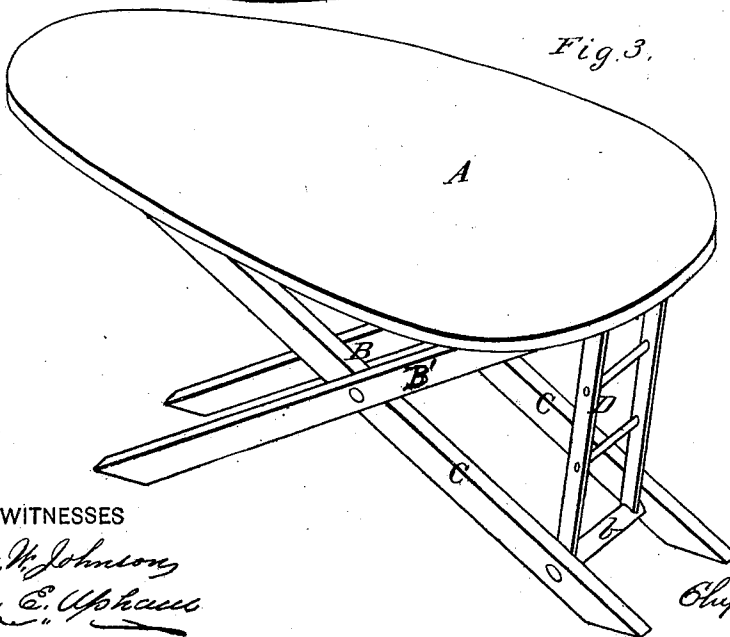


Fig. 3.



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IMPROVEMENT IN IRONING-TABLES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSIAH W. FIELD, of Rockford, in the county of Winnebago and State of Illinois, have invented a new and valuable Improvement in Ironing-Table; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings making a part of this specification, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a representation of a front elevation of my table, and Fig. 2 is a view of the under side, and Fig. 3 is a perspective view thereof.

This invention has relation to ironing-tables; and it consists in the construction and novel arrangement of the folding-brace and supporting-frame, as hereinafter fully shown and described.

In the accompanying drawings, the letter A designates the table top or board upon which the ironing is performed. At its larger end this board is provided on its under side with four angle-irons, arranged in two sets in line with each other across the board, as they serve in this position to support each other. To the outer pair of angle-irons *a a* are pivoted two of the oblique legs *B'* of the cross-frame B, said legs being connected near their lower ends by a suitable cross-bar. To these legs at their middle portions are pivoted the other two oblique legs, C, of the frame, said legs being connected near their upper as well as their lower ends by suitable cross-bars *b b*. At both ends these legs C are disconnected from the frame. To the inner pair of angle-irons *c c* are pivoted the connected standards of a swinging brace, D, the feet of which are made concave or notched to fit the cross-bar or cross-bars. As the pivot-flanges of the outer angle-irons are turned inward, and those of the inner angle-irons outward, the unobstructed sides of the outer oblique legs of the

frame and of the standards of the swinging brace D are toward each other, and these are arranged at such a distance apart that when folded against the board A there will be between them spaces of just sufficient size to receive the lower ends of the free oblique legs C, making a very compact arrangement of these parts, in such a manner that they afford each other, in the folded position, mutual support.

When the table is needed for use the oblique legs are brought outward from the board until the swinging brace D can be engaged with the cross-bar *b* near the lower ends of the legs C. Then the table will be found steady and firm.

The ironing-board may be lifted at its smaller end free from the upper ends of the legs C, upon which it rests, thereby allowing the introduction of shirts or other garments between the board and the frame, which is a great convenience in the operation of ironing such articles.

When not in use the ironing-table can be folded up in the compact manner above referred to and laid aside.

If thought necessary a sad-iron support may be screwed to the larger end of the board.

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

In a folding ironing-table, the top A, having the legs *B'* and folding-brace D hinged thereto at one end, in combination with the legs C hinged to the legs *B'*, and provided with the cross-bar *b*, substantially as described and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the above I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two witnesses.

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