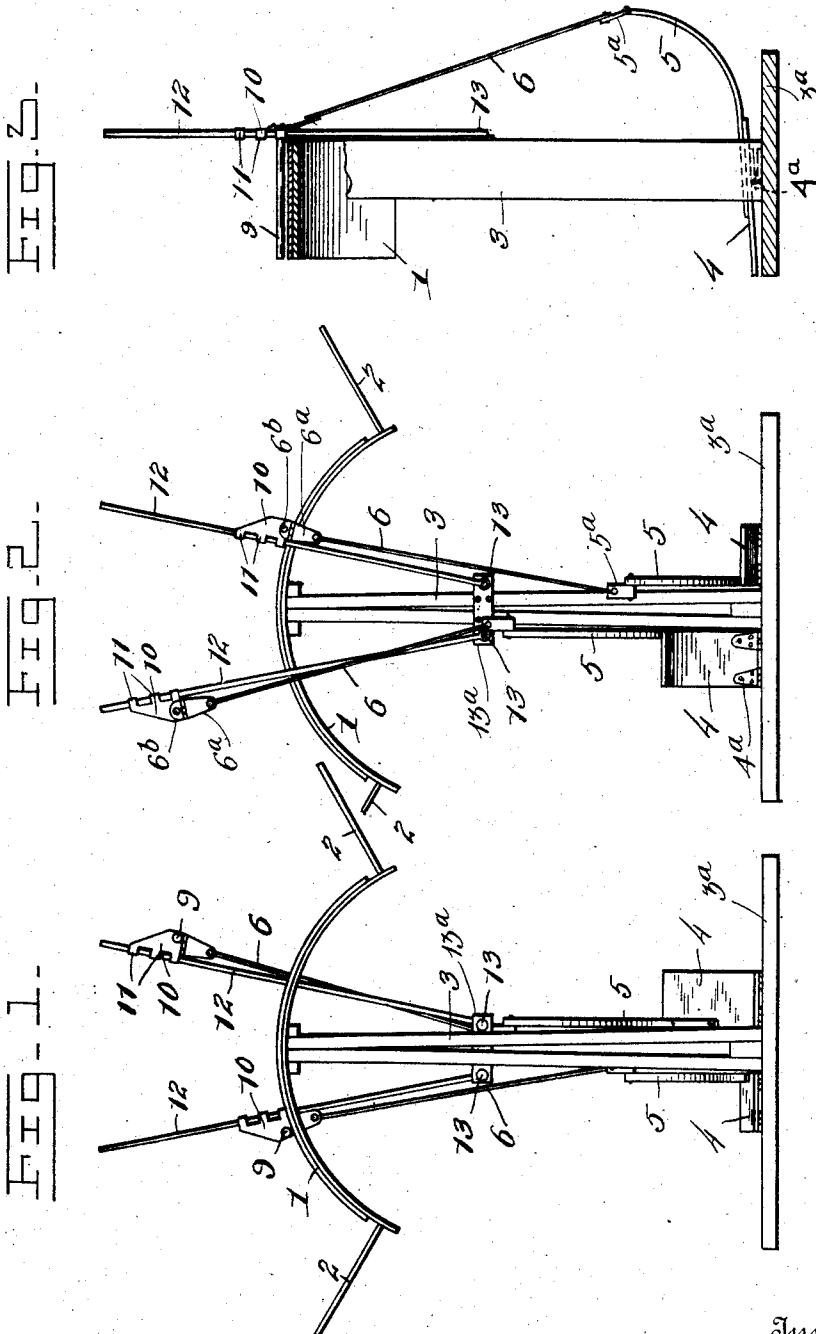


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT E. ANGER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Weyauwega, in the county of Waupaca and State of Wisconsin, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Tobacco-Bookers; 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.

This invention relates to improvements in tobacco bookers, and one of the principal objects of the same is to provide simple and efficient means for holding a number of superposed tobacco leaves smoothly in place preparatory to their use in making cigars.

Another object of the invention is to provide a tobacco booker which will yieldingly hold a large number of superposed leaves, and which will permit one leaf after another to be placed in position to be smoothed out on top of the book, pad or pile.

These and other objects are attained by means of the construction illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which,—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of a tobacco booker made in accordance with my invention; Fig. 2 is a rear elevation of the same; and Fig. 3 is a vertical sectional view.

Referring to the drawing for a more particular description of my invention, the numeral 1 designates a semi-circular or curved table or support for the tobacco leaves provided at each side thereof with a supplemental stand or table 2. The support 1 is mounted upon suitable legs 3 secured at their lower end to a base 3^a. Treadles 4 are connected intermediate of their ends by hinges 4^a to the base 3^a. The outer ends of the treadles 4 are provided with curved metal straps 5, and to the upper end of each of said straps a hinge 5^a is connected. To each of the hinges 5^a a connecting rod 6 is secured at its lower end, the upper end of said rods being connected to a hinged plate 6^a. One member of said plate is pivoted at 6^b to a slide 10, said slide being provided with a tubular guide 11, which slides upon the guide rod 12. The lower ends of the two guide rods are pivotally connected by bolts 13 to a plate 13^a. The presser rods

9 for the tobacco leaves are secured to and project at right angles to the slides 10 and extend over the upper surface of the table 1 and are adjustable on the guide rods 12 by means of the slides by which they are carried.

The operation of my invention may be described as follows: The tobacco leaves to be smoothed out are placed singly, one over the other upon the top of the semi-circular table or support 1, and the pressure arms are operated alternately by means of the treadles to hold the leaves down, one upon the other while being smoothed, each leaf being smoothed before the next is placed thereon. It is to be noted that the presser arms may be moved laterally by hand to any required point, depending upon the length of the leaves and adjusting themselves to the size of the pad or pile of leaves.

Various changes in the form, proportion and the minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the principle or sacrificing any of the advantages of this invention, as defined by the appended claims.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters-Patent, is:—

1. In a tobacco booker the combination of a table mounted on a supporting frame, treadles pivoted to said frame, pivoted rods connected with the treadles, presser rods connected with the upper ends of said pivoted rods, guide rods pivotally connected to said table, and sleeves supported upon the connecting rods through which said guide rods pass.

2. A tobacco booker comprising a semi-circular table or support mounted on a supporting frame, treadles pivoted to said frame, connecting rods pivoted to move laterally relative to said treadles, and connected therewith, presser rods connected with the upper ends of said connecting rods, a pair of pivoted guide rods, and sleeves secured to the upper ends of the connecting rods through which said guide rods pass.

3. In a tobacco booker, a table provided at its terminals with supplemental stands, treadles pivoted intermediately of their ends upon the table support, pivotally mounted

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