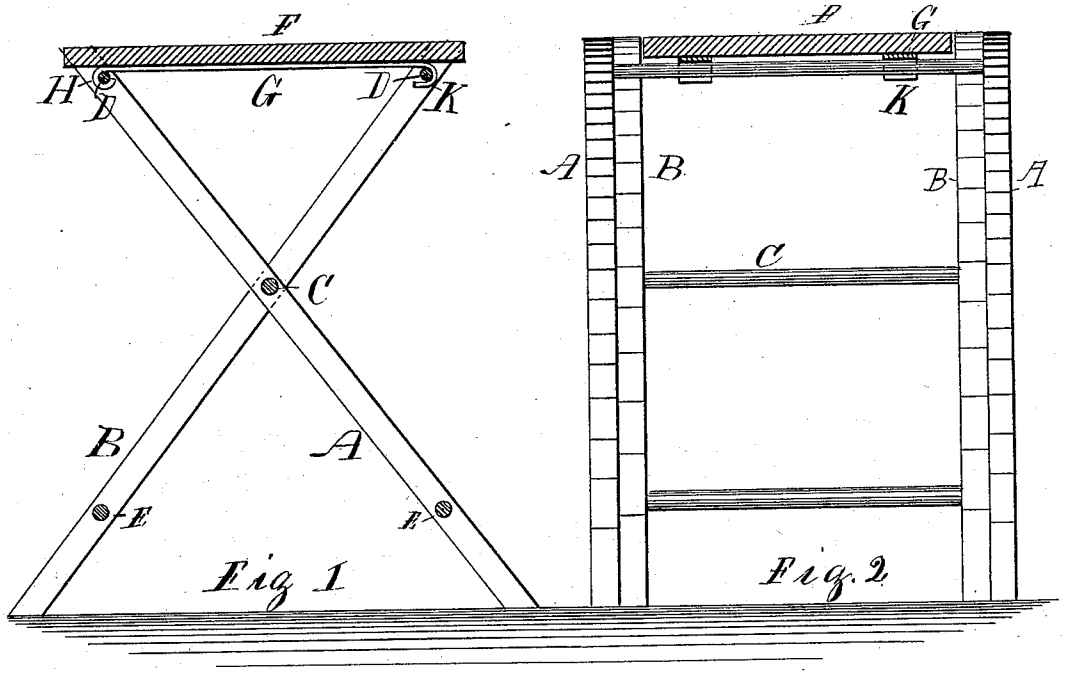
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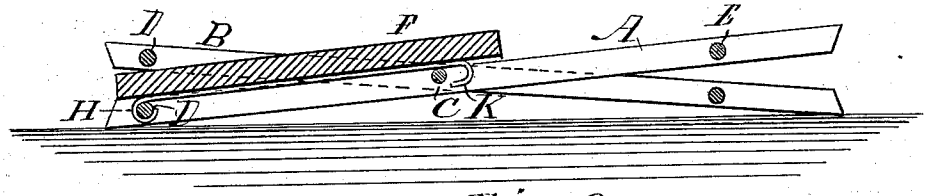


Fig. 3

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FOLDING STOOL.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, BENJAMIN FRAZEE, of Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Folding Stools, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to folding stools wherein I construct a stool that may be closed up and carried about easily and be stowed away or shipped and occupy but little space, and yet may be adjusted into a rigid stool that may be used to stand on or for other like purposes; and it consists in the devices substantially as hereinafter set forth.

Figure 1 is a side elevation. Fig. 2 is a front elevation. Fig. 3 shows the stool folded up.

In my construction I make double cross-frames A B, the latter part just fitting inside the former, and they are jointed together by the rod C. The ends of this rod pass through the frame-pieces B and into the pieces A, but ordinarily do not go through them. However, they may pass clear through, and even may have a screw-nut on the outside of the frame; but preferably they will be made as this is shown and described above. The parts of the frame are provided with stay-rods D E. To one of the rods D is hung a seat, F, made ordinarily of wood, about a half-inch thick; but the seat may be made of some other firm material. To the under side of the seat are secured two metal straps, G, having one end formed with an eye, H, to go over the rod D in the frame part B, allowing the seat to swing on this rod. The opposite end of the strap is formed with a hook, K, fitted to catch onto the rod D on the frame part A.

To put the stool in position for a seat, I press the tops of the frames together with the seat above until the rod passes the hook, and then they are left to spread apart, the straps resting on the rod until the hooks catch onto the rod, and prevent further spreading and make a firmly secured and braced seat stool. To fold it up, the top of the frames are again pressed inward and the hooks are released. Then the top of the frames are pressed outward until the front end of the seat will drop down between the parts of the frame, and the frame parts be closed together, as seen in Fig. 3.

I claim—

A folding stool having the seat hung at the top of the frame by the straps G, provided with the eyes H and hooks K, so that when the stool is folded up the seat will hang between the upper ends of the frame-pieces, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

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