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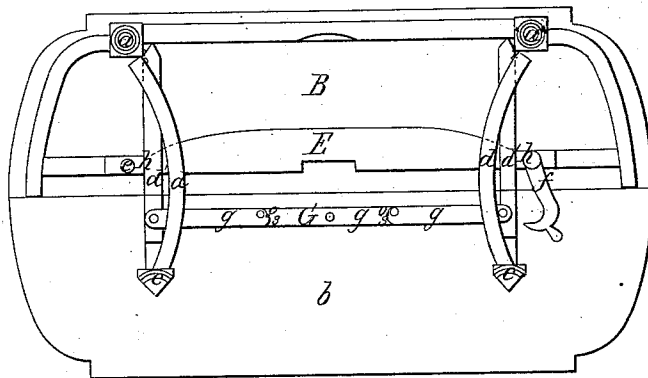
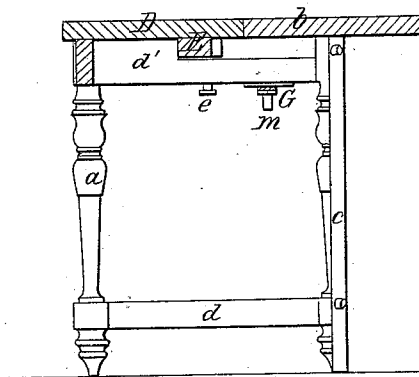


Fig. 2



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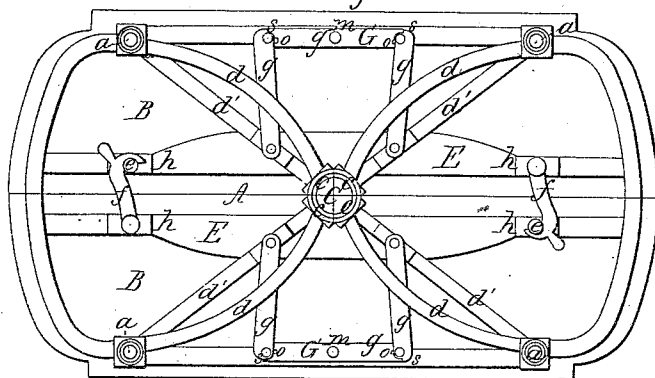


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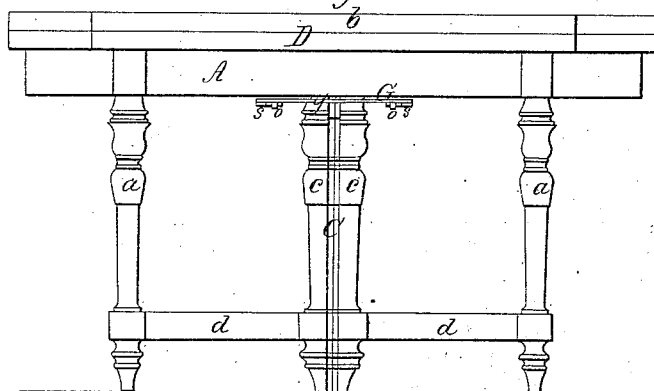
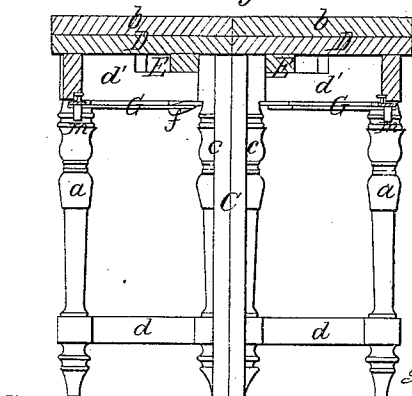


Fig. 3



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IMPROVEMENT IN TABLES.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, JEAN CHARLES DROUHARD and ADOLPHE LEWIS ROYÉ, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Tables; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification.

The invention consists in the novel construction of a table, whereby the same is made convertible at pleasure into a centre-table, two console-tables, or two card-tables.

Referring to the drawings—

Figure 1, sheet 1, represents an inverted plan view of a table constructed according to our invention.

Figure 2 represents a side elevation, and

Figure 3, a transverse sectional elevation of the same.

Figure 1, sheet 2, represents an inverted plan view of a card-table, as converted therefrom, and

Figure 2, a transverse sectional elevation of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

A is a table, constructed of two separate parts or sections, B B, connected together by any suitable means.

Said table A is supported upon four fixed legs, *a*, and a divided centre pillar, C, and is provided with a centrally and longitudinally-divided double top, D.

The sections B B are locked to each other by means of hooks *f*, upon the one, passed around fixed studs *e* of the other.

The divided centre pillar C consists of four pivoted legs, *c*, attached to the converging extremities of horizontal arms *d* *d*, which are hinged at their opposite or outer extremities, to the upper and lower parts of the fixed legs *a*, so that when the sections B are separated, the said legs *c*, two of which belong to each section, may be opened outward, so as to support the unsupported side of the respective sections to which they belong.

Said legs *c*, when outwardly opened, are checked at the proper point by means of the arms *d* coming in contact with shoulders *h*, provided upon longitudinal braces E E.

The pivoted legs *c*, of each section B, are connected with each other by means of folding braces G.

Said braces G are each composed of three parts or sections *g*, one end of the outer sections pivoted to the extremities of the central one, and having at said pivots or joints suitable stops, *o*, and shoulders, *s*, for preventing the inward bending of said joints.

The outer extremities of these braces *g* are pivoted to the under side of the horizontal arms *d*, at a point thereon about midway between the centre and inner ends thereof, so that when the sections B are together, or the legs *c* are inwardly closed upon the centre, the said brace G will assume an angular or outwardly-bent formation, as represented in fig. 1, sheet 1.

When the sections B are separated, and the legs *c* unfolded, or outwardly extended, for support of their respective sections B, the braces G are straightened out, so as to retain said legs in their outwardly-extended or open position, as represented in fig. 1, sheet 2.

m m are fixed pins or projections, secured to the central portion of the central or middle joint *g* of the braces G, for convenience of manipulation in the outward and inward moving of the legs *c*.

The top, D, of each section B, is provided with a folding leaf, *b*, hinged thereto, upon the side thereof, which forms the central part of the table A, so that when the said sections B are separated, and the legs *c* opened out, said leaf *b* may be unfolded from its position upon the said top, D, and caused to occupy a position in the same horizontal plane therewith, resting upon the upper extremities of said legs *c*.

In the operation of this invention the hooks *f f* are unlocked from the studs *e e*, whereupon the two sections B B may be separated, thereby forming a pair of console-tables, each having two outer legs, *a a*, and an inner central leg or support, C, and which may be suitably arranged against the wall in different parts of the room; or after separation of the sections B B, suitable support may be provided for the unsupported side of the said sections by the outward opening of the central legs *c*.

This is effected by pressing or pushing against the projection *m*, so as to force inwardly the central portion of the brace G, until the arms *d* are forced against the stops *h h*, and said brace forms a straight line between the legs *c*, so as to prevent their return towards the centre. In this position the said legs *c* not only afford support for the section B, but the upper terminations thereof provide for the support of the folding leaf *b*, the unfolding of which completes the conversion of the sections B B into card or other small tables, not requiring to be placed against the wall for support.

What we claim as our invention, and desire to have secured by Letters Patent, is—

1. The divided centre pillar C, so constructed and combined with the legs *a* as to form the central support of a centre-table, one of the three legs of two console-tables, and two of the four legs of two card-tables, substantially as herein described.

2. The combination of the jointed brace G, hinged arms *d*, fixed legs *a a*, and movable legs or divisions *c c*, of the divided centre pillar, substantially as and for the purpose herein set forth.

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