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Fig. 1

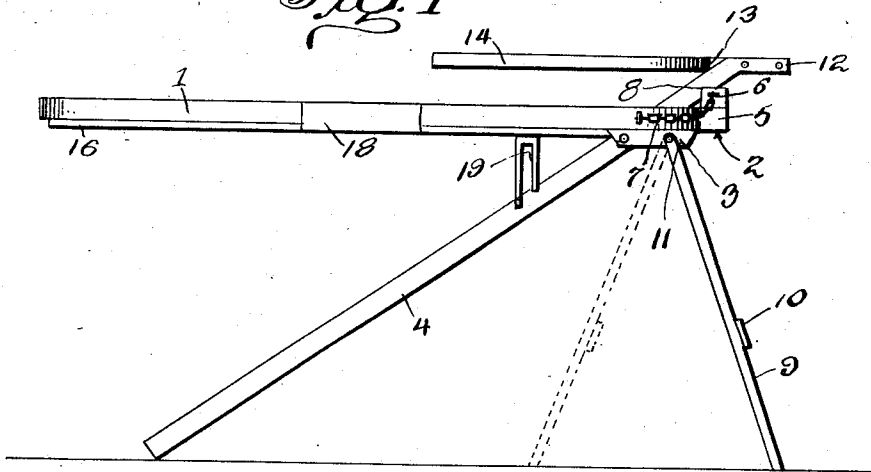


Fig. 3

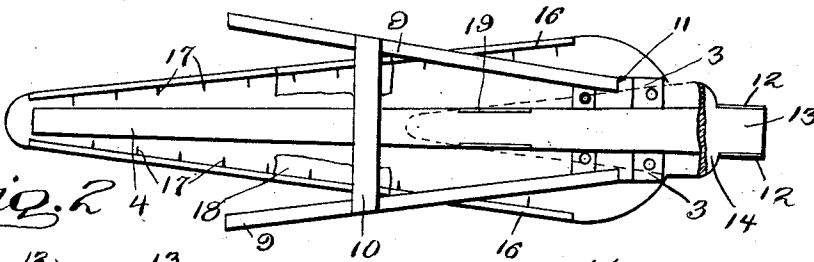


Fig. 2

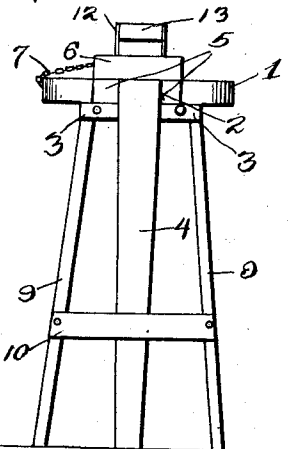
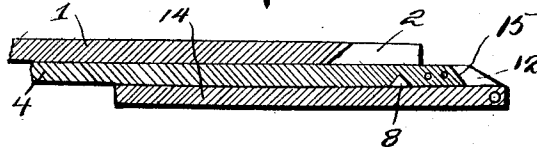


Fig. 4



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, ROBERT E. CROWE and GEORGE O. PROWSE, citizens of the United States of America, residing at Roswell, in the county of Chaves and Territory of New Mexico, have invented new and useful Improvements in Ironing-Boards, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to portable ironing boards and the object of the invention is the provision of a board of this character which may be used in connection with a table for supporting the same.

Further objects of the invention are the provision of means for supporting a sleeve board in parallelism with the ironing board, and means whereby it may be folded up with the ironing board so as to be out of the way.

A still further object of the invention is the provision of means for securing the ironing cloth upon the board.

Further objects of the invention will appear as the following specific description is read in connection with the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this application, and in which:

Figure 1 is a side elevation showing the sleeve board in operative position. Fig. 2 is an end elevation. Fig. 3 is a bottom plan view showing the device folded with parts broken away. Fig. 4 is a detail longitudinal section.

Referring more particularly to the drawings 1 represents a main board which is provided with a slot at its rear end as at 2 and is provided on its under side with depending spaced bearing lugs 3 between which is pivoted a main supporting leg 4 which when in operative position extends diagonally into engagement with the floor and has its upper end arranged in the slot 2. The rear end of the board is extended on opposite sides of the slot 2 in longitudinal projections 5 which form an abutment for the locking block 6 which is flexibly connected to the board by a chain 7 and which is adapted to be positioned between the projections 5 and the upper wall of a notch 8 formed in the underside of the leg 5. This leg pinches the block 6 between the projections 5 and the upper wall of the notch 8.

Pivoted to the outside of the lugs 3 are a pair of diverging legs 9 which are con-

nected adjacent their lower end by a brace 10 and are limited in their outward movement by the shoulders 11 formed upon the lugs 3. These legs are used to assist in supporting the device when the block 6 is used. When a table is used in place of the block, the legs 9 may be brought into the position shown in dotted lines in Fig. 1.

Mounted upon each side of the upper end of the leg 4 are angular bracket arms 12 whose outer portions extend substantially parallel to the board 1 when in operative position and pivoted between these bracket arms is a sleeve board extension 13 which is formed integral with the sleeve board 14. The upper end of the leg 4 is beveled off as at 15 so that when the sleeve board 14 is turned to operative position, it will rest upon the beveled upper end in parallelism with the main board 1.

Secured to the underneath edges of the main board 1 are strips 16 having pins 17 extending laterally therethrough which are adapted to be engaged by the inner edges of the cloth 18. By stretching the cloth over the board and over the strips 16 into engagement with the pins it is firmly and removably held in position and may be changed for a new one.

In order to support the main board more firmly and to make a more rigid structure we pivot intermediate the length of the leg 4 a stirrup or strut 19 which is substantially U-shaped as shown in Fig. 1. The upper end of this strut is adapted to seat against the underside of the board so that when the parts are in position the strut will transfer a portion of the weight of the board to the leg.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is—

A device of the class described comprising a main ironing board having a slot therein, bearing lugs arranged on the under side of the board on opposite sides of the slot, a pinch lever supporting leg pivoted between the lugs, and having a notched portion adapted to extend through the slot in the board, projections on the board, a block removably engaged with the projections and with the notch in the lever leg, a flexible connection between the block and the board, shoulders formed on the outside of the bear-

ing lugs, auxiliary supporting legs connect-
ed to the outside of the lugs and adapted
to be limited in one direction of movement
by the shoulders, and a substantially U-
5 shaped strut pivoted to the main leg and
adapted to engage the board, said strut be-
ing adapted to fold upon the leg.

In testimony whereof we affix our signa-
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