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IRONING-TABLE.

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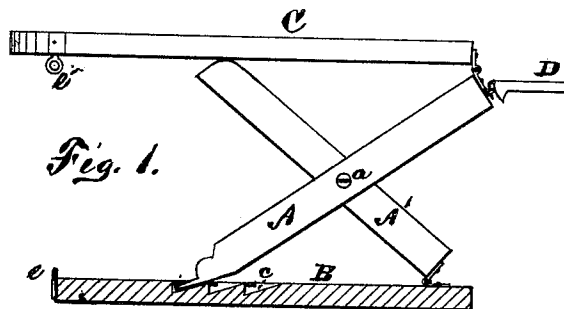


Fig. 1.

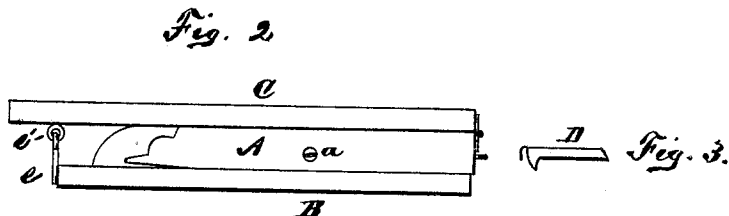


Fig. 2.

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, CONRAD WIRTH, of the city of Elizabeth, in the county of Union and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Ironing-Tables; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification:

This invention relates to certain improvements in adjustable ironing-tables, by means of which they may be raised and lowered as desired when in use, and closed up in a small compact form to put away when not required for use.

The accompanying drawing fully illustrates the nature and character of my invention, in which Figure 1 is a side elevation—the bottom or base being in section—representing the table prepared for use. Fig. 2 is a side view, representing it when closed together to be put away; and Fig. 3 is a detail view of a detachable shelf or support for the smoothing-iron.

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

My invention consists in the employment of two cross-pieces or bars, A A', pivoted together at *a*, one of which is hinged to a suitable base, B, and the other to the ironing-board C, all as shown and indicated in Fig. 1. The base B is provided with suitable recesses *c*, in which the end of the bar or cross-piece, which is hinged at its opposite end to the ironing-board, fits, and by means of which said ironing-board may be raised or lowered, as may be desired, as clearly shown and indicated in said Fig. 1, the said parts A, B, and C being so adjusted with relation to each

other as that said ironing-board will always be in a horizontal position or parallel with the base B, as will be readily understood. A suitable shelf or support, D, on which to set the smoothing-iron, is arranged to hook onto the back end of the table, and also a hook, *e*, and eye, *e'*, at the front, to hold the parts together when closed up, all as shown and indicated in the drawing.

As the board C is hinged at the end to the bars A, and is supported in the center by the bars A', it cannot be tilted by bearing upon either. By supporting the sad-iron rest D on the bars A the entire board C is left unobstructed for the reception of the clothing.

I am aware that it is not new to support an ironing-table on cross-legs or to hinge it so as to be lifted at one end, and I do not make any claim, broadly, to either of these features; but I am not aware that, in any table heretofore made, the ironing-board has been hinged at the extreme end, and is at the same time supported so as to be incapable of being tilted by pressure on either end, yet capable of being folded down close to the base.

I claim—

1. The combination, with the base B and ironing-board C, of the cross-bars A A', pivoted to each other, the bars A being hinged to the end of the board C, and the bars A' to the corresponding end of the base B, substantially as set forth.

2. The detachable sad-iron support D, connected to the cross-bars A, as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I hereto affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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