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Ironing Table,

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Fig. 1.

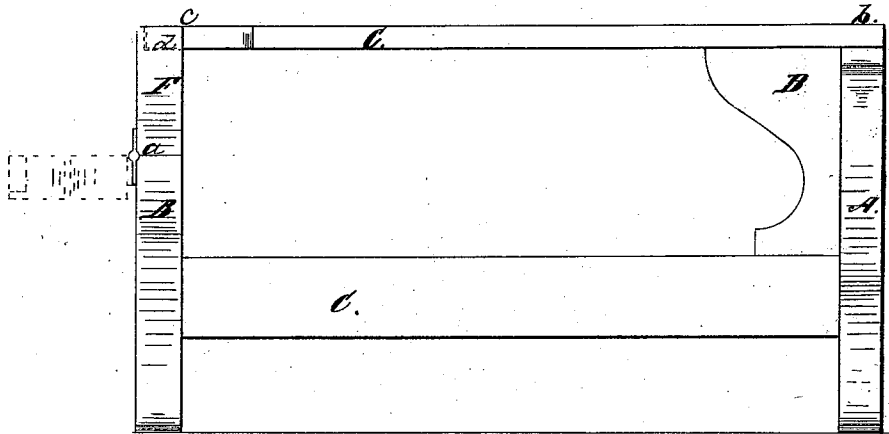
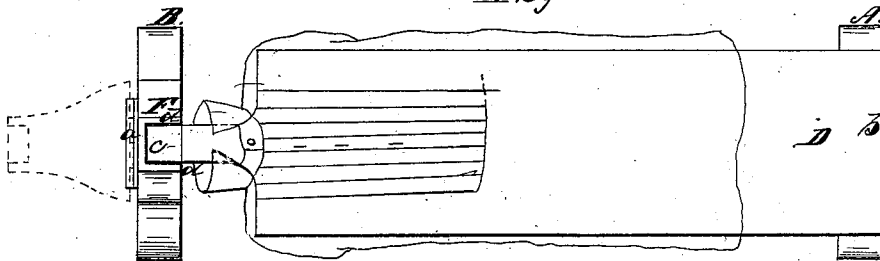


Fig. 2.



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IRONING-TABLE.

Specification of Letters Patent No. 19,883, dated April 6, 1858.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM VANDENBURG, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented an Improved Ironing-
5 Table for the Ironing of Shirts, Ladies' Skirts and Dresses, and other Articles; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying
10 drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of the table, and Fig. 2 is a plan of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both figures.

This table consists of a board of suitable length and width for ironing shirts, ladies' skirts, dresses or other articles upon, and a permanent stand to which one end of
20 the said board is attached rigidly, and which has a hinged or otherwise movable support for its other end, which support is to be moved into a position to support the last mentioned end of the board during the
25 process of ironing, and moved away therefrom to permit the article to be passed over it to place them on or remove them from the board.

To enable others to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe its construction and operation.

A B C E, is the stationary portion of the stand, consisting of a standard A, of the required height to support the board, a shorter
35 standard B, placed at a distance from A, to suit the length of the board, and a stay piece C, to connect the two standards rigidly together and sustain them in an upright position.

D, is the board, which is made of a suitable form for ironing shirts, viz. parallel or nearly so for the greater portion of its length, but sufficiently narrower at one end to receive the collar of a shirt in the manner
45 shown in Fig. 2, where a shirt is shown upon it in blue color. The broader end *b*, of the board is attached rigidly to the standard A, and stayed thereto by a bracket piece E, and the narrower end *c*, stands over the stand-
50 ard B.

F, is a movable piece hinged at *a*, to the top of the standard B, and of a suitable height to make the said standard equal in height to the standard A, when it is brought
55 to the upright position shown in black outline in Fig. 1, so that it may—when in that

position—support the end *c* of the board against the pressure employed in ironing. The movable piece F has a recess *d*, at the top to receive the end *c* of the board, which
60 fits snugly therein and thus prevents any lateral movement of the board during the ironing process. The lower and side edges of the end *c*, of the board, and the bottom and side edges of the recess *d*, should be
65 slightly beveled so that there may be no obstruction to the entrance of the said end *c*, into the recess when the movable piece F is brought to an upright position. The movable piece F may have a spring latch bolt
70 applied to secure it to the board when it is brought up to it.

The operation of the board is as follows: When a shirt, skirt, dress, or other article which is double has to be put on the board,
75 the movable piece F, is moved down to the position shown in Figs. 1 and 2, in red outline, where it offers no obstruction to the passage of the article over the end *c*, of the board; and after the article has been passed
80 over the said end on to the board, the said piece is raised by hand to the upright position shown in black outline in Fig. 1, to support the said end, and allowed to remain so till the article has been ironed and it is
85 desired to remove it from the board, when it is moved away again to the position shown in red outline to allow the article to be drawn off and another to be put on.

This table possesses the advantage over
90 the ironing table with the hinged board, for which Letters-Patent have been granted to myself and James Harvey, of being more simple and cheaper in its construction and less liable to get out of order, and being
95 more easily managed.

The movable piece F may be arranged and attached to the standard B in various ways; but I have represented the arrangement and mode of attachment which I at
100 present consider to be the simplest and best.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters-Patent, is:—

The ironing table composed of a board rigidly attached at one end to a stand which
105 is provided with a movable support for the other end of the board to operate in the manner and for the purpose herein specified.

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Witnesses:

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