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Fig. 1.

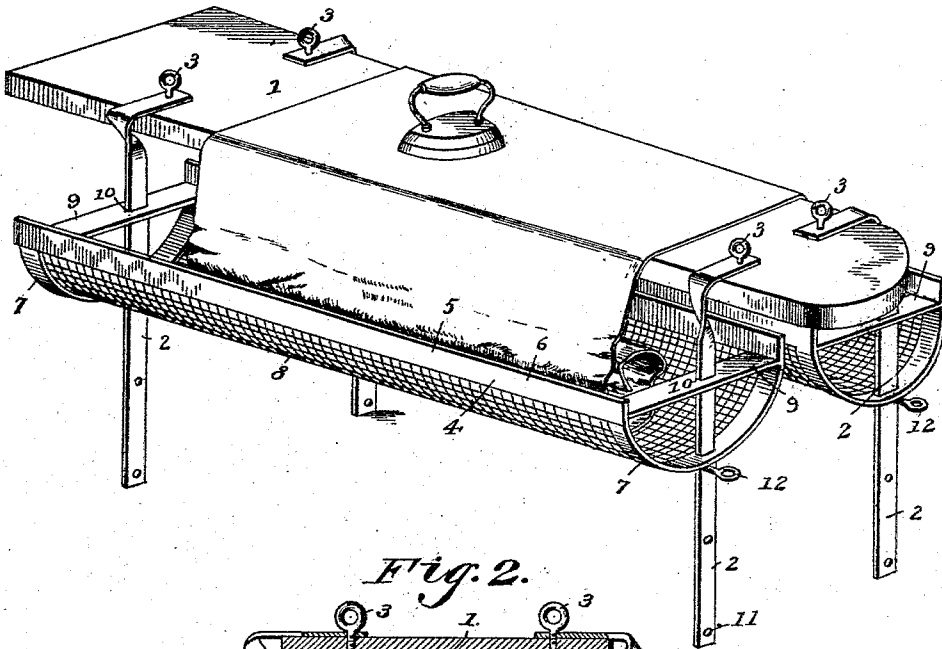
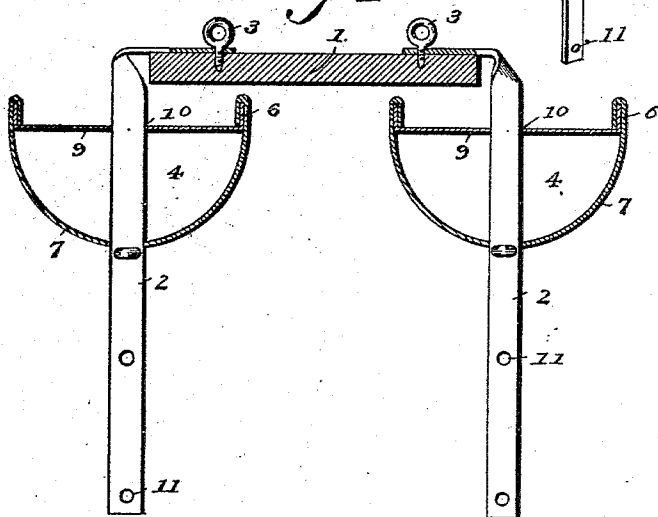


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FREDERICK N. LEWIS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Jackson, in the county of Jackson and State of Michigan, have invented a new and useful Attachment for Ironing Boards or Tables, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in attachments for ironing boards or tables; one of the objects being to provide a convenient attachment which is adapted to be applied to any table or board to receive portions of the articles to be ironed or pressed without danger of soiling the same by reason of contact with the floor, and also prevent the formation of a number of creases or folds therein by reason of the size thereof; furthermore, to provide a suitable receptacle for both the ironed and unironed ends or portions of the articles, which receptacles are adjustable and are out of the way of the operator.

With these and other objects in view the invention consists in certain features of construction hereinafter specified and particularly pointed out in the claims.

Referring to the drawings: Figure 1 is a perspective view of an ironing-board provided with an attachment embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a transverse sectional view thereof.

Like numerals of reference indicate like parts in all the figures of the drawings.

In using my invention I employ the usual shape of ironing board 1, the same being preferably smaller at, or tapered toward, one end, and the same is supported by any suitable legs or supports if desired not shown in the drawings. In the present instance 2 indicates inverted L-shaped hangers, that is to say, the hangers have their upper ends laterally bent over the board, and are removably secured in position by means of screw-eyes 3. These eyes and hangers being arranged near the opposite ends of the board will of course leave ample room for ironing surface therebetween. At the opposite sides of the board are located receptacles 4, and these receptacles are semicylindrical in cross-section and preferably consist of sheet-metal frames 5, comprising opposite side and curved end portions 6 and 7 respectively, and an intermedi-

ate web of wire cloth 8. The end-bars are connected by transverse bars 9 and they, together with the end-bars, are slotted, as at 10, so as to receive loosely the hangers 2 of the table. These hangers are further provided with perforations 11, and through the same locking-pins 12 are passed, the same serving to adjust upon the hangers the said receptacles.

It will be obvious that the receptacles may be otherwise constructed than as herein shown, and I do not limit my invention in this respect. Regardless of the construction, however, the operation of the invention is as follows: In ironing, articles may be placed in the rear receptacle, and as fast as ironed placed in the opposite or front receptacle, thus facilitating the operation; or where large articles are to be ironed, such as sheets, tablecloths, and the like, where only small portions or areas can be ironed at once, the surplus or unironed portion remains in the rear receptacle, and as fast as ironed the article is rolled loosely and brought forward and dropped in the front receptacle. After one surface has been ironed, the thus loosely rolled article is reintroduced into the rear receptacle, and its leading end drawn forward and ironed and dropped into the front receptacle. In this manner large articles may be ironed without danger of soiling and without forming a number of undesirable creases therein.

Having described my invention, what I claim is—

1. The combination with an ironing board, of hangers depending from opposite edges thereof, and opposite independent semi-cylindrical receptacles supported by the hangers at each side of the board, substantially as specified.

2. The combination with an ironing-board and opposite depending hangers, of semicylindrical receptacles consisting of opposite parallel side and curved end bars, transverse connecting-bars, and an intermediate web of wire-cloth, the end and transverse bars being slotted to receive the hangers and secured thereto, substantially as specified.

3. The combination with an ironing board or table, and opposite depending hangers, of

opposite receptacles slotted to receive the hangers, and vertically-adjustable thereon, perforations formed in the hangers, and keys passed through the perforations, substantially
5 as specified.

4. An attachment for ironing boards consisting of the wire cloth receptacles arranged along the sides of the board and having open upper sides and vertically adjustable, and

hangers for securing the receptacles to the board, substantially as specified.

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

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