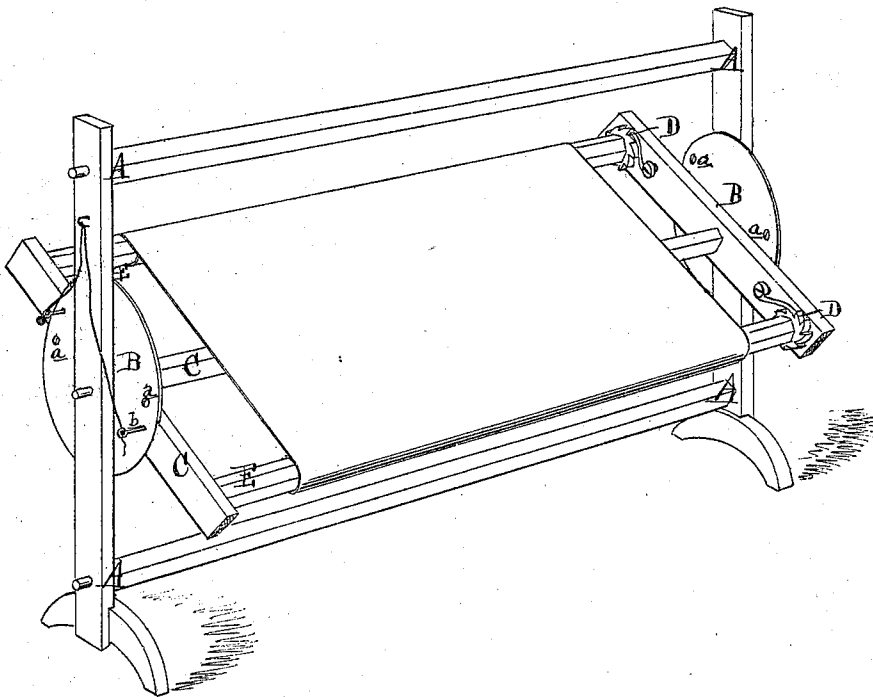


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IMPROVEMENT IN QUILTING-FRAMES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM HUDSON, of Clyde Mills, in the county of St. Clair and State of Michigan, have invented a new and useful Improvement in a Combined Quilting-Frame and Clothes-Horse; and I do declare that the following is a true and accurate description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon and being a part of this specification, in which my invention is shown in perspective.

The nature of my invention relates to the construction of a combined quilting-frame and clothes-horse, which is compact in form, and to which the quilts can be easily secured and adjusted to suit the convenience of the operator.

The invention consists of an upright frame, between the standards of which is journaled a quilting-frame, this latter being held in any desired position by means of pins which pass through a circular plate attached to the inner faces of each standard into holes in the end bars of the frame; and in combination therewith the means provided for "taking up" the work, as is more fully hereinafter set forth.

In the drawing, A represents a frame to the inner faces of the standards of which are secured the circular plates B; between these standards is journaled a frame, C, the shaft of which passes through the center of each of the plates B and the standards. The two outer bars E of the frame C are journaled in the end bars of said frame, and are provided

with ratchets and pawls D at one end, for the purpose hereinafter specified. The plates B are provided with holes *a* near their outer edges, through which a pin, *b*, is passed into a corresponding hole in the end bar of the frame, thus admitting the adjustment of the frame to any angle as may best suit the operator.

In using this invention as a quilting-frame, one edge of the quilt is securely attached to one of the side bars of the frame C, and the balance is wound upon the other side bar, being held taut by the engagement of the pawls with the ratchets upon the ends of said bars; as the quilting progresses the work can easily be taken up by rolling the quilt as often as is desired upon one of the side bars of the frame, relieving as much from the bar opposite.

When this device is not in use as a quilting-frame, it can be used to advantage as a clothes-horse by adjusting the frame C to a horizontal position.

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

The combination of the frame C, plates B, with the frame A, bars E, and ratchets and pawls D, when the said parts are constructed and arranged to operate substantially as and for the purposes described.

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