

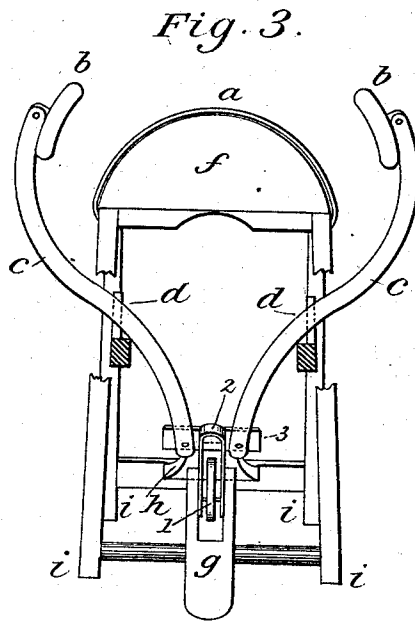
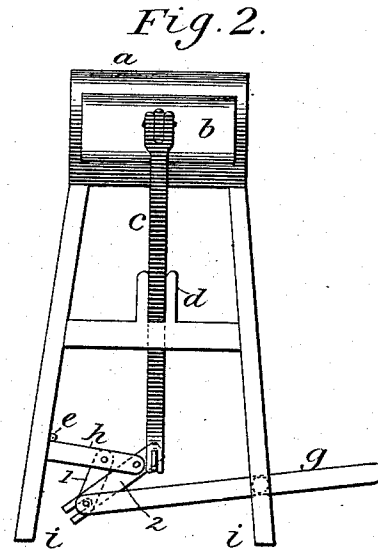
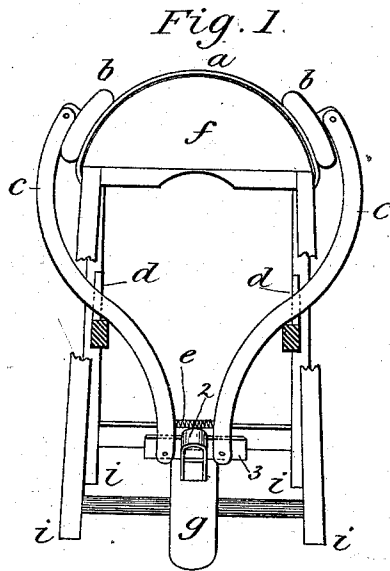
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## TOBACCO-BOOKING TABLE.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CHARLES SEEL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Booking or Padding Table for Leaf-Tobacco, of which the following is the specification.

My invention relates to improvements in machines for booking or padding leaf-tobacco.

The object of my invention is to furnish a simple and inexpensive machine that will readily perform the holding and booking of tobacco.

Figure 1 is a vertical section of the front of booking-table with arms closed. Fig. 2 is a view of the side, with treadle better shown; and Fig. 3 is the same as Fig. 1 with arms extended.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

$a$  is a cushion upon which the leaf is spread, and  $i i i i$  its legs or standards, and  $f$  the top of table, which constitutes the frame-work of the booking-table. The holding-pads  $b b$  are hinged to arms  $c c$ , so as to be movable.  $d d$  are the guides on each side for arms  $c c$  on the cross-bar between the legs  $i i$ . At the connection between the arms  $c c$  and the treadle  $g$  the arms  $c c$  are hinged to a bar, 3, which connects them through rod 2, which is connected

by hinge to lever  $h$ , and is kept in place between treadle  $g$  and rod 1 by a fork. Lever  $h$  is fastened to a cross-piece in the rear by a spiral spring-hinge,  $e$ , to assist downward movement, and connects with treadle  $g$  by hinging to rod 1.

The leaf-tobacco, after having been stripped, is spread on cushion  $a$ . Then the holding-pads  $b b$ , by the action of the arms  $c c$  and combination-treadle, descend upon cushion  $a$  and hold the leaf. The movement of the holding-pads  $b b$  must be so that they do not slide on cushion  $a$ , and I gain this movement by having the movable pads  $b b$  hinged to movable and curved arms  $c c$  and these attached to treadle  $g$ , as described.

I am aware that prior to my invention booking-tables have been made with cushions.

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

The combination of a booking-table for leaf-tobacco with movable holding-pads  $b b$ , attached to arms  $c c$ , and these connecting with a treadle,  $g$ , all substantially as set forth.

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