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KNOCKDOWN TABLE.

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Fig 1

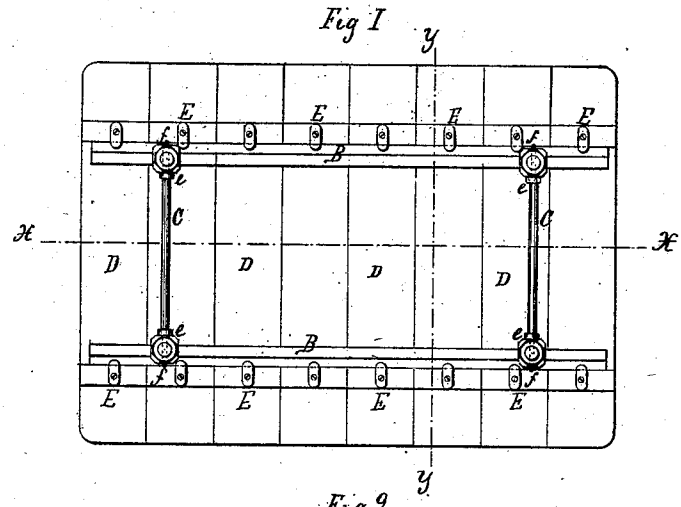


Fig 2

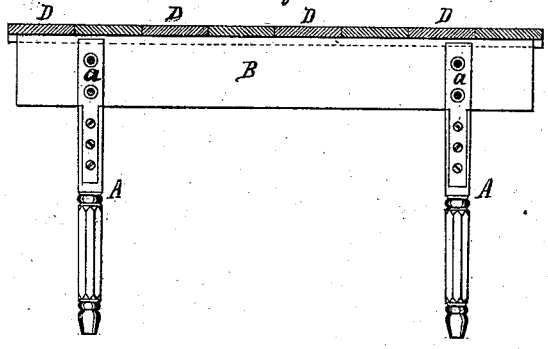
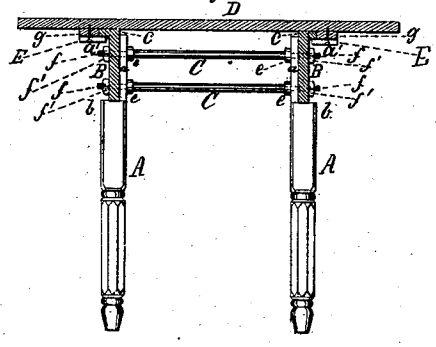


Fig 3



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KNOCKDOWN TABLE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GARRETT D. POST, of Mariner's Harbor, in the county of Richmond and State of New York, have invented certain Improvements in Kockdown Tables, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this invention is to provide a table which may be readily taken apart and packed within a small compass for storage and transportation; and it comprises certain novel combinations of parts whereby this object is effectually secured.

Figure 1 is an inverted plan view; Fig. 2, a vertical longitudinal sectional view on line *x x* of Fig. 1, and Fig. 3 a transverse sectional view of a table on line *y y* of Fig. 1 constructed according to my invention.

The legs A of the table are provided at their inner ends with inwardly-projecting plates *a*, which are of metal and attached in any suitable manner to the legs. The upper end of each leg forms a shoulder, *b*. The bars B have their lower edges resting upon the shoulder *b* and their upper edges provided with lateral horizontal flanges. At each end of the table are transverse rods C, each provided at its opposite ends with flanges *c*, which bear against the innermost surfaces of the plate *a*. Upon each end of each rod C is a screw-threaded bolt, *f*, upon which and against the outer surface of the adjacent side piece, B, is screwed a nut, *f'*. The just-mentioned parts, connected as described, constitute the legs and frame of the table, the said parts being capable of being very readily detached and laid in positions parallel with each other to occupy a small space for package, storage, or transportation.

The top of the table is composed of the flat boards or leaves D, laid side by side in a transverse position upon the upper edges of the side bars, B. Each of these boards has attached to its under side, and in positions transverse to its length, cleats *g*, which form stops to prevent the longitudinal movement of the board or leaf in a direction transverse to the length of the table. Pivoted, as shown at *a'*, to the under side of each of the cleats *g* is a button, E, which, when turned into a position substantially lengthwise of the board or plate, catches underneath the flange *c* of the adjacent side bar, B, and thereby holds the board or leaf snugly down upon said board, so that by this means the boards are held firmly in position to constitute the top of the table.

By turning the buttons out from under the flanges *c* the boards may be readily detached, laid one upon another, and thus, with the other portion of the table knocked down, as hereinbefore described, may be made to occupy an extremely small space for storage or transportation.

What I claim as my invention is—

1. The table-frame composed of the legs A, having the plates *a*, the side bars, B, having the flanges *c*, the rods C, having the flanges *e*, screw-threaded ends *f*, and nuts *f'*, all substantially as and for the purpose herein set forth.

2. The combination of the legs A, having shoulders *b*, the side bars, B, having flanges *c*, rods C, and the leaves or boards having at their opposite ends cleats *g* and buttons E, all substantially as and for the purpose herein set forth.

3. The combination of the leaves or boards D, having the cleats *g* and buttons E, the side bars, B, having the flanges *c*, the legs A, having the plates *a* and shoulders *b*, and the rods C, having the shoulders *e*, screw-threaded ends *f*, and nuts *f'*, all substantially as and for the purpose herein set forth.

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