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IRONING TABLE.

No. 456,270.

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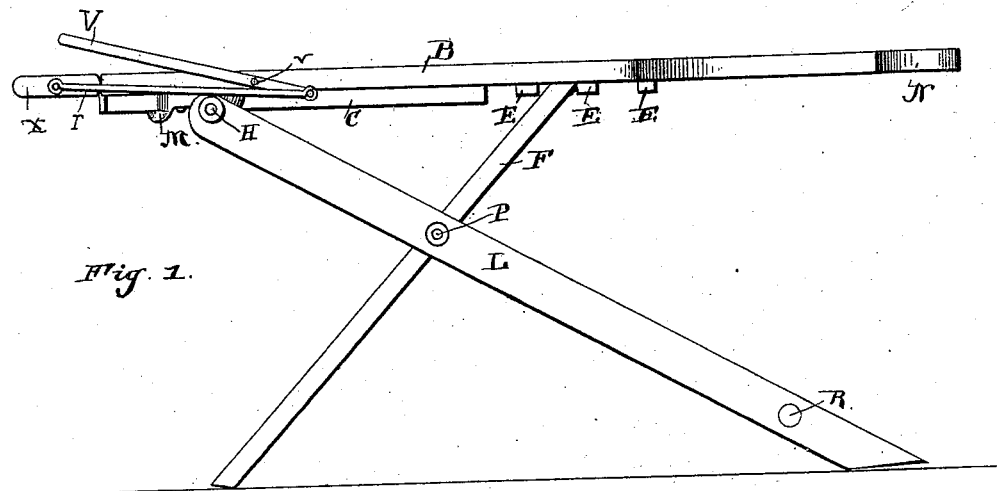


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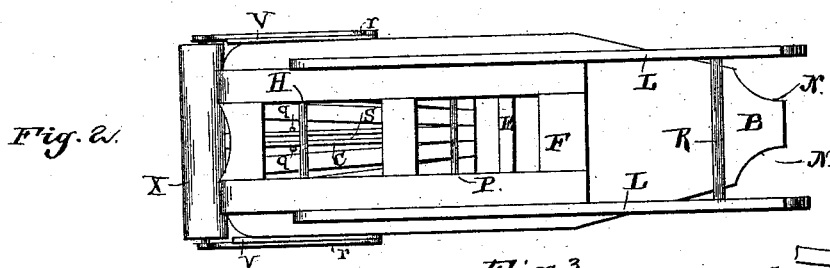


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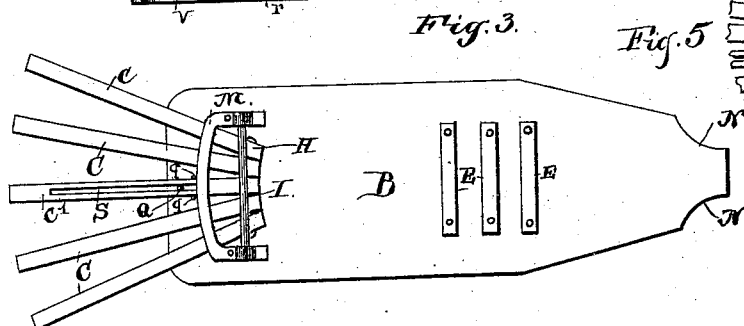


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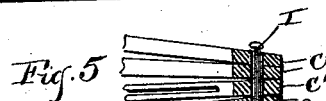


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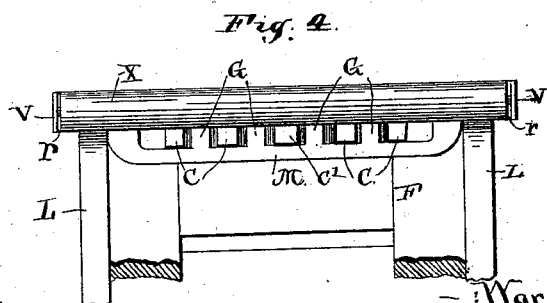


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## IRONING-TABLE.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 456,270, dated July 21, 1891.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WARREN E. HERRICK, a citizen of the United States, residing at Vermontville, in the county of Eaton and State of Michigan, have invented a new and useful Ironing-Table, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to laundry devices, and more especially to the ironing-board used therein; and the object of the same is to provide an improved ironing-board, as hereinafter more fully described, claimed, and illustrated in the drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of my improved ironing-table in its operative position. Fig. 2 is a bottom plan of the same when folded. Fig. 3 is a bottom plan of the bed-piece, showing the clothes-rack as distended. Fig. 4 is an end elevation showing the clothes-rack as housed and the support in operative position. Fig. 5 is a plan view of the bars, partly in section, to show the connecting-rod.

Referring to the said drawings, the letter B designates the bed-piece or top of this improved ironing-table, whose narrow end is preferably cut on inwardly-curving lines N, whereby the neck-bands of shirts of various sizes may be ironed thereon. To the lower side of this bed-piece B, at one end thereof, is secured the metal casting M, through which passes a horizontal rod H, and on this rod are pivoted the upper ends of the legs L, these legs being connected by a rung R near their lower ends. Pivotally mounted between the legs, on a pivoting-rod P, is a frame F, which is adapted to be opened, as shown in Fig. 1, to support the table. On the under side of the bed-piece B are a number of cleats E, against which the upper end of the frame F abuts to hold the table-top at a proper elevation above the floor.

The letters C C' designate a number of bars whose inner ends are loosely connected by a rod I, passing through them and holding them together, whose bodies pass between the horizontal rod H and the bed-piece B, and whose outer ends pass between lugs G of the metallic casting M, as shown in Fig. 4. The central bar C' is preferably provided with a slot S, which engages a pin Q in the bottom of the

bed-piece, and this bar may also pass between other pins *g*, as shown, the object being that this central bar shall have a longitudinal movement when it is drawn out exactly in line with the central line of the bed-piece. As the bars are held in contact by the rod I at their inner ends, and are separated at their outer ends by the lugs G when they are drawn out, as shown in Fig. 3, they will be considerably distended, like the sticks of a fan, and clothes may be hung thereon for drying or other purposes.

V are levers pivoted at *v* to the sides of the bed-piece B, and *r* are rods connecting the shorter arms of these levers with the ends of a flap-slat X.

When a shirt is to be ironed, the bosom is passed over the bed-piece B, and the skirt, where it extends beyond the broader end of said bed-piece, is rolled upon the flap-slat X, which, it will be understood, is journaled in the ends of the rods *r*. After the shirt has been drawn tight, so that the bosom will lie flat upon the bed-piece, the levers V are operated so as to draw the rods *r* inwardly and cause the flap-slat X and the shirt that is wound thereon to be pressed tightly against the end of the bed-piece, the length of the shorter arms of said levers being such that when the shirt is thus clamped between the flap-slat and the bed-piece the pivots at the outer ends of the shorter arms and the pivots *v* will be exactly parallel with the table-top.

What is claimed as new is—

In an ironing-table, the combination, with the bed-piece B, having a square larger end, and means for supporting said bed-piece, of levers V, pivoted to the sides of said bed-piece, rods *r*, pivoted to said levers, and a flap-slat X, journaled between said rods and standing normally beyond and parallel with said squared end of the bed-piece, as and for the purpose hereinbefore set forth.

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

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