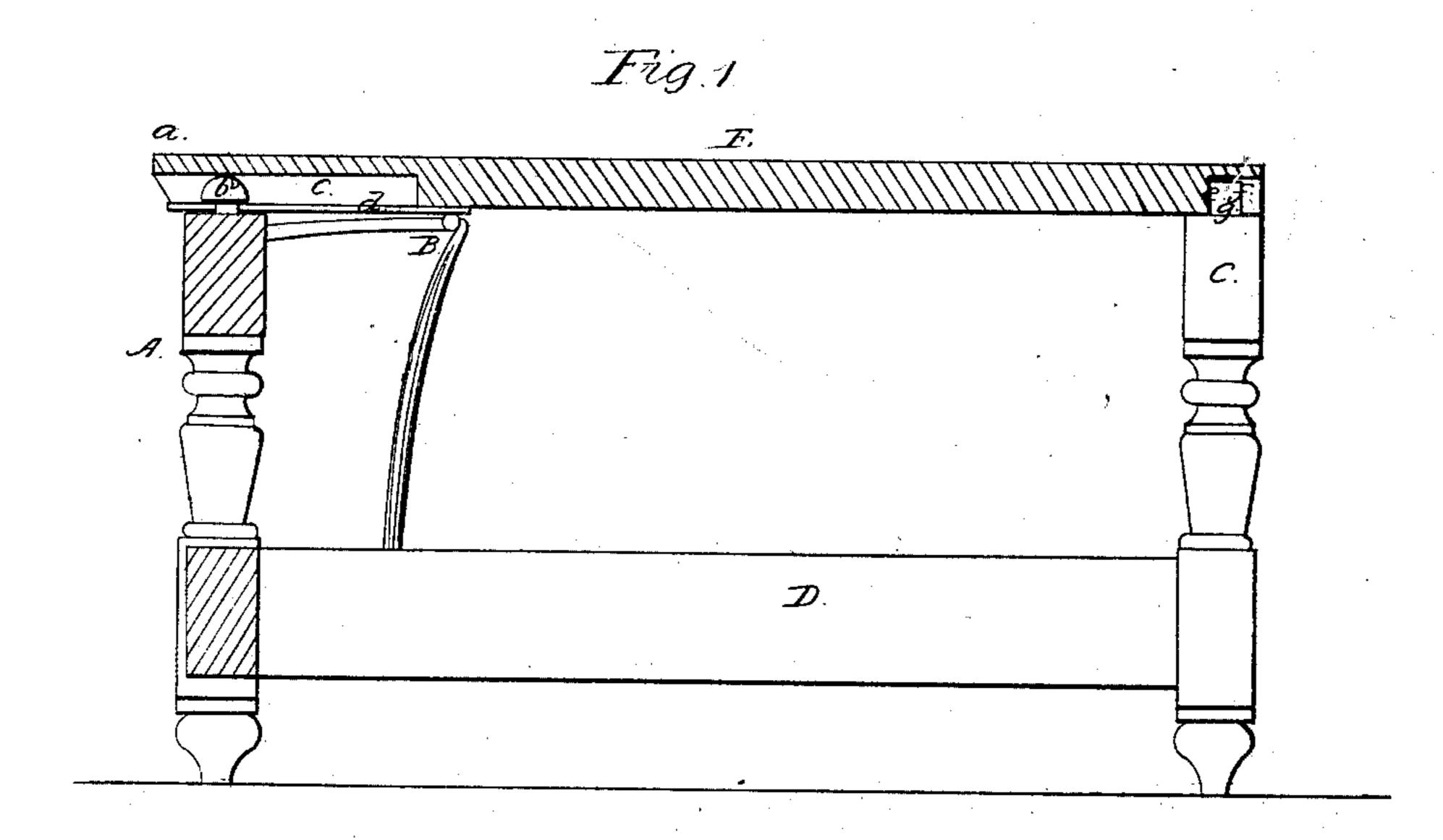
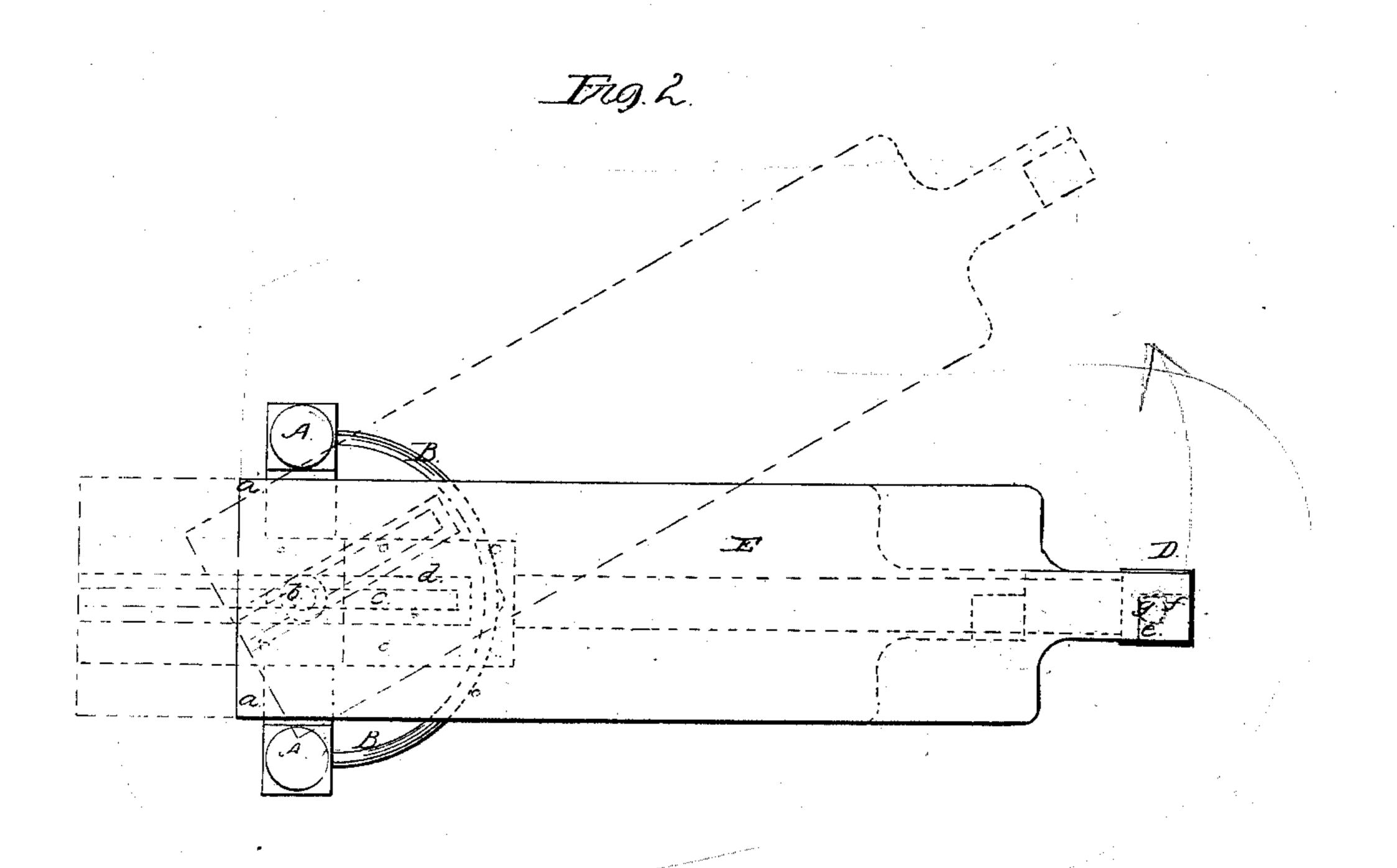
## W. Vandenhurgh Ir. Ironing Table, Patented May 11, 1858.

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## IRONING-TABLE.

Specification of Letters Patent No. 20,231, dated May 11, 1858.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, William Vandenburg, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Ironing-Table for Ironing Shirts, Ladies' Skirts and Dresses, and other Articles; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a longitudinal vertical section of the table; and Fig. 2 is a plan of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both figures.

This table consists of a board of suitable length, width, and form, for ironing shirts, ladies' skirts and dresses and other articles upon, and a permanent stand, consisting of supports for each end of the said board, upon one of which supports the said board is movable horizontally either in a longitudinal or lateral direction away from the other, to leave one end of the board free to permit articles to be passed over it to place them on or remove them from the board.

To enable others to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe its construction and operation.

A B C D, is the stationary portion of the stand, consisting of a standard A, of the required height to support one end of the board with a broad-topped bracket B, extending some distance under the board; a standard C, of the same height as A, to support the other end of the board and a stay piece D, connecting the standards A, and C, and sustaining them rigidly in an upright position. E, is the board which is made of a suitable form for ironing shirts upon, viz., parallel or nearly so for the greater portion of its length, but sufficiently narrower at one end to receive the collar of a shirt. The broader end a, a, of the board is supported upon the standard A, and its

bracket B, and is attached to said standard by a headed screw or pivot b, which is secured in said board and whose head enters 50 a recess c, in the bottom of the board which recess is partly covered by a slotted metal plate d, secured to the bottom of the board on either side of it, the said plate lapping under the head of the screw or pivot so as 55 to attach the board to the standard A. The board thus applied to the standard A, is capable of moving in a horizontal direction away from the standard C, either longitudinally as shown in blue outline in Fig. 2, or 60 laterally as shown in red outline in the same figure, sliding along the screw or pivot b, in the former case, and turning upon it in the latter case; and in both cases being supported by the standard A, and its 65 bracket B, when moved off the standard C. The narrow end of the board has a recess e, f, in its under side, the sides of which come against a projection g, on the top of the standard C, and stop the board in its 70 proper position on the said standard. The board is moved to either of the two positions shown in red and blue outline to permit a shirt, skirt, or lady's dress to be passed on or off its narrow end, and replaced in 75 the position shown in black outline to obtain proper support for it during the operation of ironing.

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

The ironing table composed of a board attached to one end of a stand in such manner as to be capable of moving horizontally thereon to and from the other end of the stand, that it may be supported at both its 85 ends during the ironing operation, but permitted to have a garment passed over one end before and after the ironing operation in the manner herein specified.

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