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Ironing Table,

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Fig 1

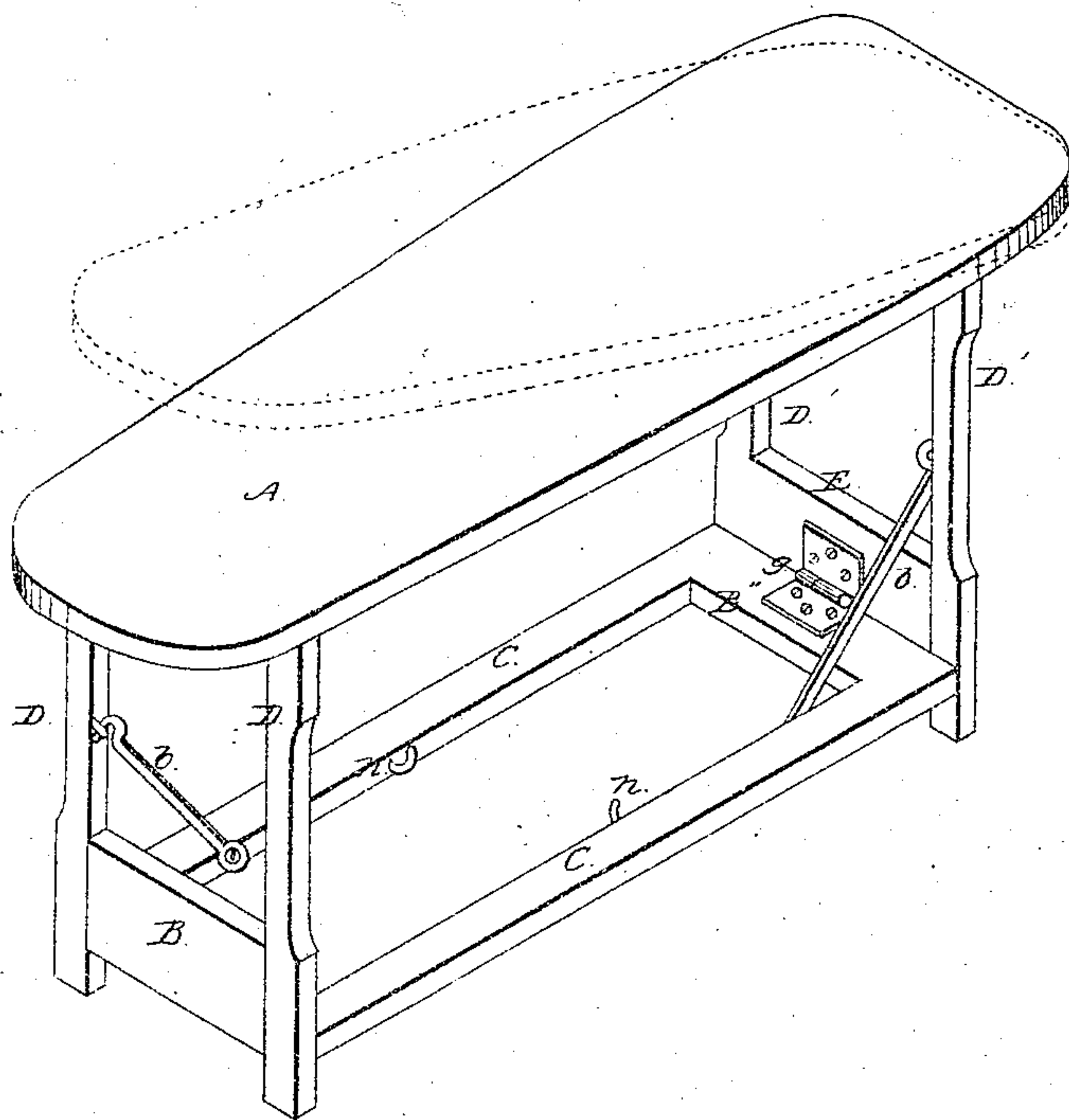
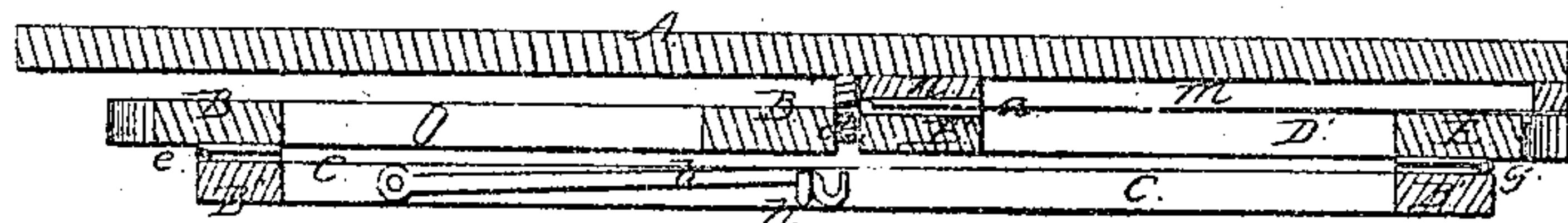


Fig 2



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IMPROVED IRONING-BOARD.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, GEORGE I. BIRCH, of New York, in the county of New York, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Ironing-Boards; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved board when extended for use.

Figure 2 is a section of the same when folded together in smaller compass.

Similar letters of reference indicate like parts.

The object of this invention is to provide an ironing-board which may be conveniently used, and which may be folded together into smaller compass when not required for ironing or pressing clothes.

In the accompanying plate of drawings, the invention is shown to consist of the end-frames B D D B and E D' D' E'. These frames are hinged to the bottom frame B'' B'' C C by the butts or hinges *e* and *g*. The pressing-board A is provided, on its under side, with a dove-tailed slide, *n*, which slides to and fro between the correspondent dove-tailed guide-strips *m*, affixed longitudinally to the under side of the board A. The slide *n* is hinged to the cross-piece, E', of the end-frame E D D E', by the butt or hinge *a*, as shown, which permits the board to be raised, to admit any portion of a garment—as the sleeve thereof—to be slipped on the said board. The red line shows the position of the raised board.

The hinge *a* and the slide *n* permit the board to be folded in the position shown at fig. 2, the hinges *g* and *e* being employed for that purpose. The uprights are braced by means of hasps, *b b*, and their staples, when the board is set up for use. Hooks, *h h*, serve to hold the hasps, when the board is folded, as shown at fig. 2. Studs *d*, on the cross-pieces B, fit into holes in the board A, and serve to hold it more firmly.

This board is light, cheap, and convenient, and fully answers the purpose for which it is intended.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The combination of the board A, hinged end-frames B D D B' and E D' D' E', with the bottom frame B'' C C, and hinged slide *n*, all substantially as shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

The above specification of my invention signed by me, this 3d day of March, 1868.

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