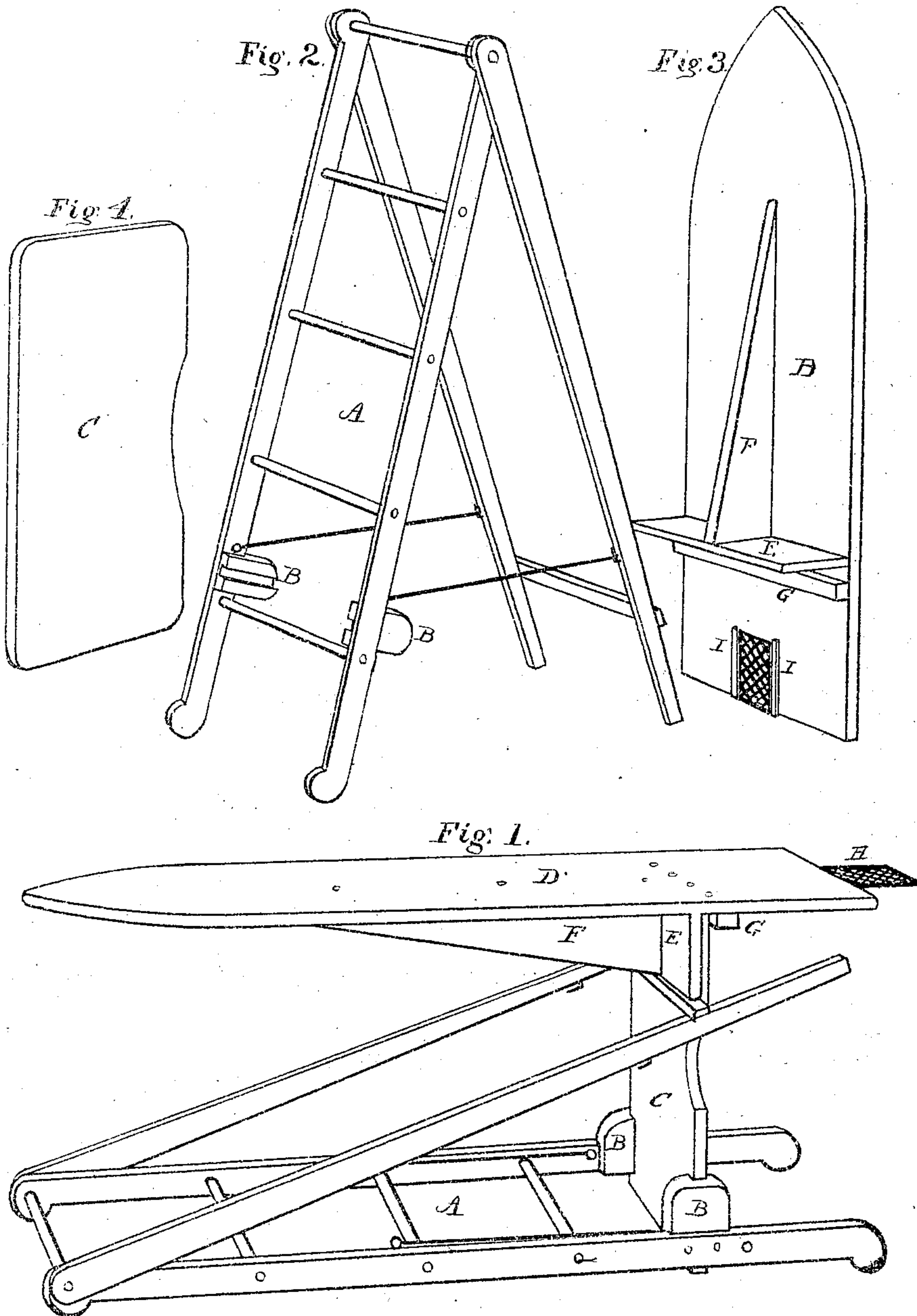


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY C. SMITH, of Cleveland, in the county of Cuyohoga and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Combined Ironing-Table, Lap-Board, and Step-Ladder, of which the following is a specification:

This invention relates to an ironing-table, a lap-board, and a step-ladder, so constructed and arranged that the step-ladder may be used separately, the lap-board the same, and by combining them with an ironing-board make a very convenient ironing-table, thus combining three useful domestic articles in one.

The following is a description of the construction and arrangement of the above:

In the accompanying drawing, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the ironing-table, comprising the three articles. Fig. 2 is a detached view of the step-ladder. Fig. 3 is a detached view of the ironing-board. Fig. 4 is a detached view of the lap-board.

A represents a step-ladder made in the usual manner, and is intended for use about a house whenever a short step-ladder is required. Just above the lower round of the ladder I place blocks B B, having grooves in their inside faces. C is a board which serves for a sup-

port for the ironing-board D, which can be used separately as a lap-board. One end of the board C is placed in the grooves in the blocks B B, when the ladder is laid down, as seen in Fig. 1, the rear legs of the ladder forming a brace for the support C. The ironing-board D has a cross-piece, E, secured on its under side, braced by a triangular piece, F, stiffening and strengthening it. There is also a cleat, G, on the board, between which and the cross-piece E the support C sits. This forms a firm and strong support for the table D, leaving the narrow end free and unobstructed, enabling skirts to be readily slipped onto it. Under the broad end of the board D is placed an iron rack or shelf, H, sliding in cleats I I, for holding a hot iron when not in use.

I claim—

The ironing-table D, the lap-board C, and the step-ladder A, when constructed, combined, and arranged substantially as shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

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