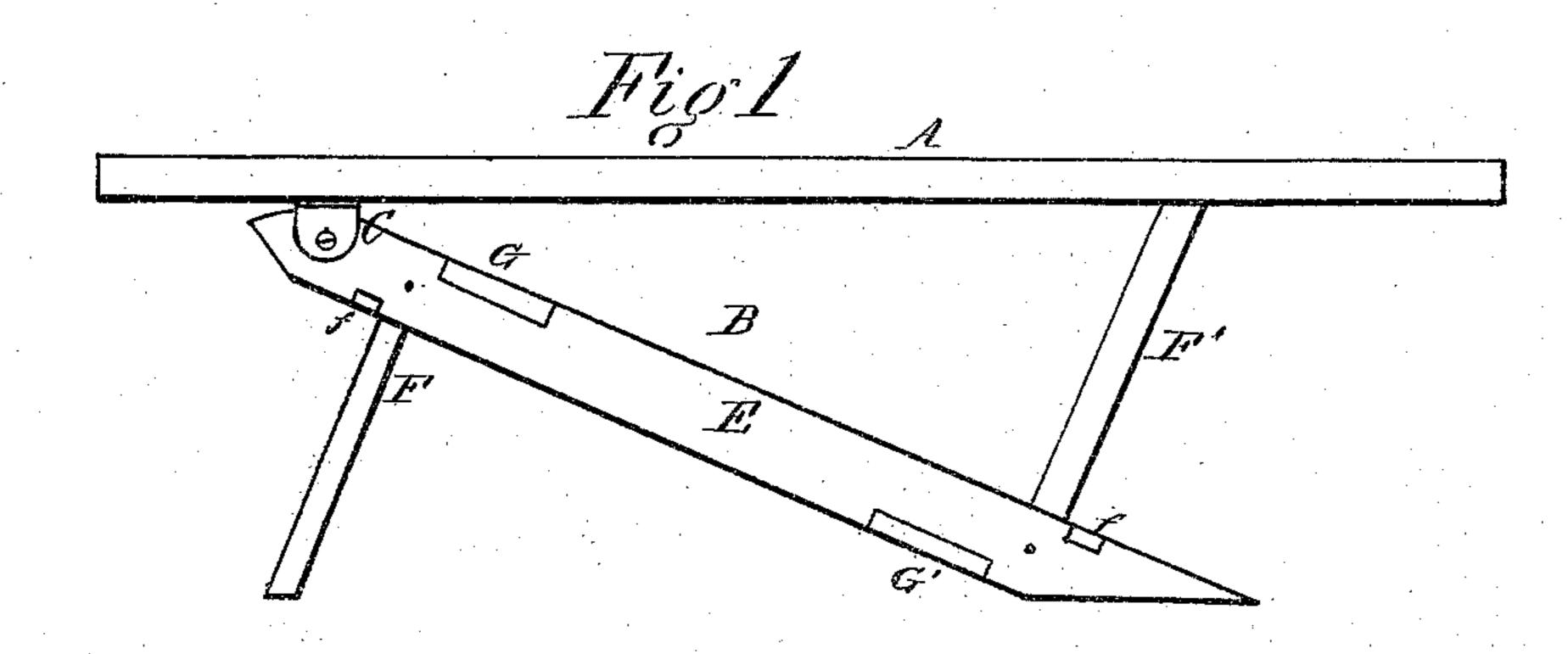
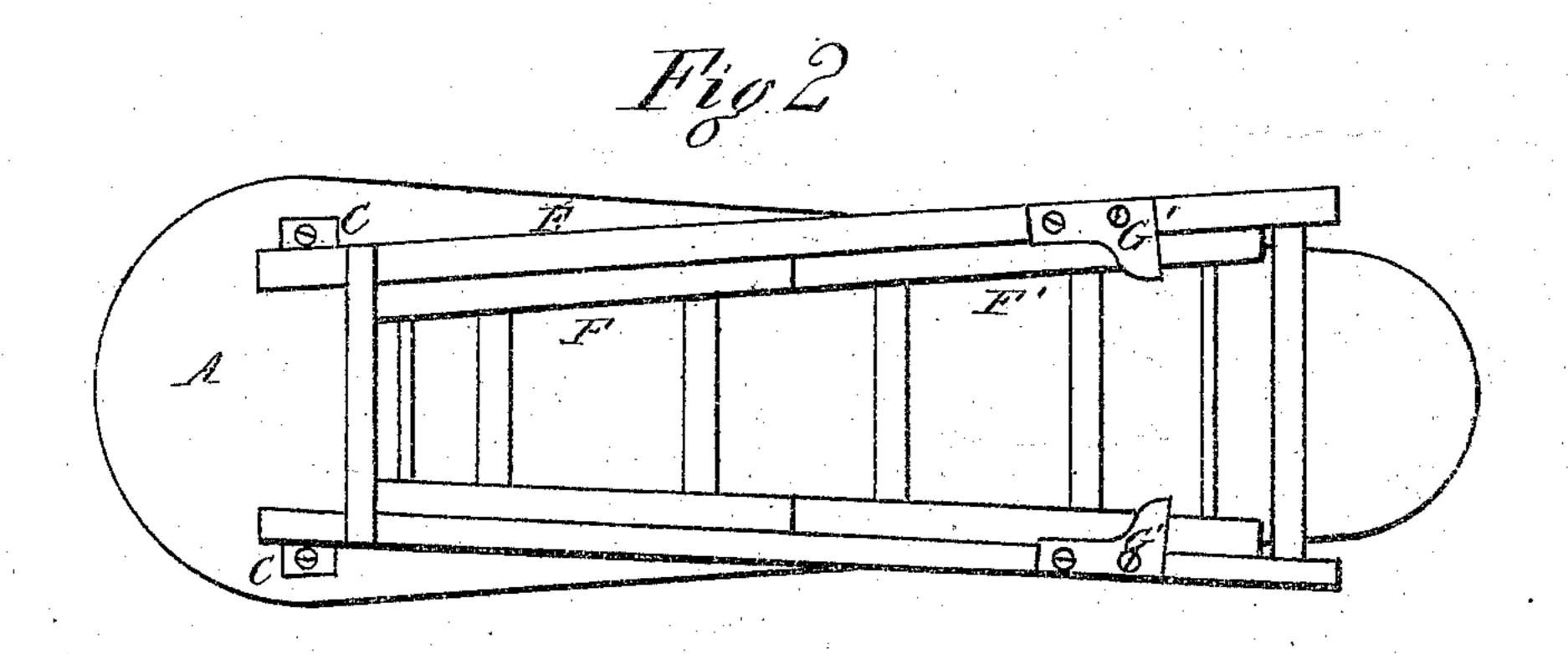
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IMPROVEMENT IN IRONING-BOARDS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, RICHARD N. HERRING, of Chew's Landing, in the county of Camden and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Ironing-Tables; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawing which forms part of this specification.

In the drawing, Figure 1 is a side view of my invention; and Fig. 2 is an under-side plan

view, showing supports folded.

This invention has relation to ironing tables; and consists in the construction and arrangement of folding supports, substantially as hereinafter described.

Referring to the drawing, A designates an ironing-table of the usual form, having attached to its under side, near one end, the frame B, by means of pivot-lugs C at the sides, as shown, or by means of hinges at the ends, allowing said frame to be raised or lowered. When lowered, the frame B assumes the inclined position shown in Fig. 1, the lower ends of its side pieces being properly beveled, so as to rest firmly on the floor. The side pieces E may be either parallel or converging. To said frame near its ends, as shown, are pivoted the legs or braces F F', which fold up between the side pieces E and rest against the inwardly-projecting plates G G', which are secured to, and if desired let into recesses in, the upper and lower edge of the side pieces E.

When the board is to be arranged for use

the frame B is lowered to its inclined position, and the legs or braces F'F, respectively, raised and let down. The loose or unhinged end of the board is supported on the ends of the legs or braces F', while the other end is supported by the legs or braces F. The unhinged end may thus be raised sufficiently to allow a skirt or other garment to be placed over and removed from the board.

The legs or supports, when unfolded from the frame to support the board, stand at right angles to the plane of the frame, and at a slight inclination, and thus give greater firmness to the board. I do not, however, limit myself to this arrangement, as the legs or supports will be effectual if brought to a vertical position.

When sustaining the board, the supports F F' are held in place by means of the plates G G' and cross-pieces f.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure

by Letters Patent, is-

1. The hinged or pivoted frame B, folding supports F F', adapted, respectively, to be lowered and raised, and skirt or ironing board A, combined substantially as and for the purpose specified.

2. The plates GG', in combination with the folding supports FF' and frame B, substan-

tially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 29th day of March, 1873.

RICHARD N. HERRING.

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