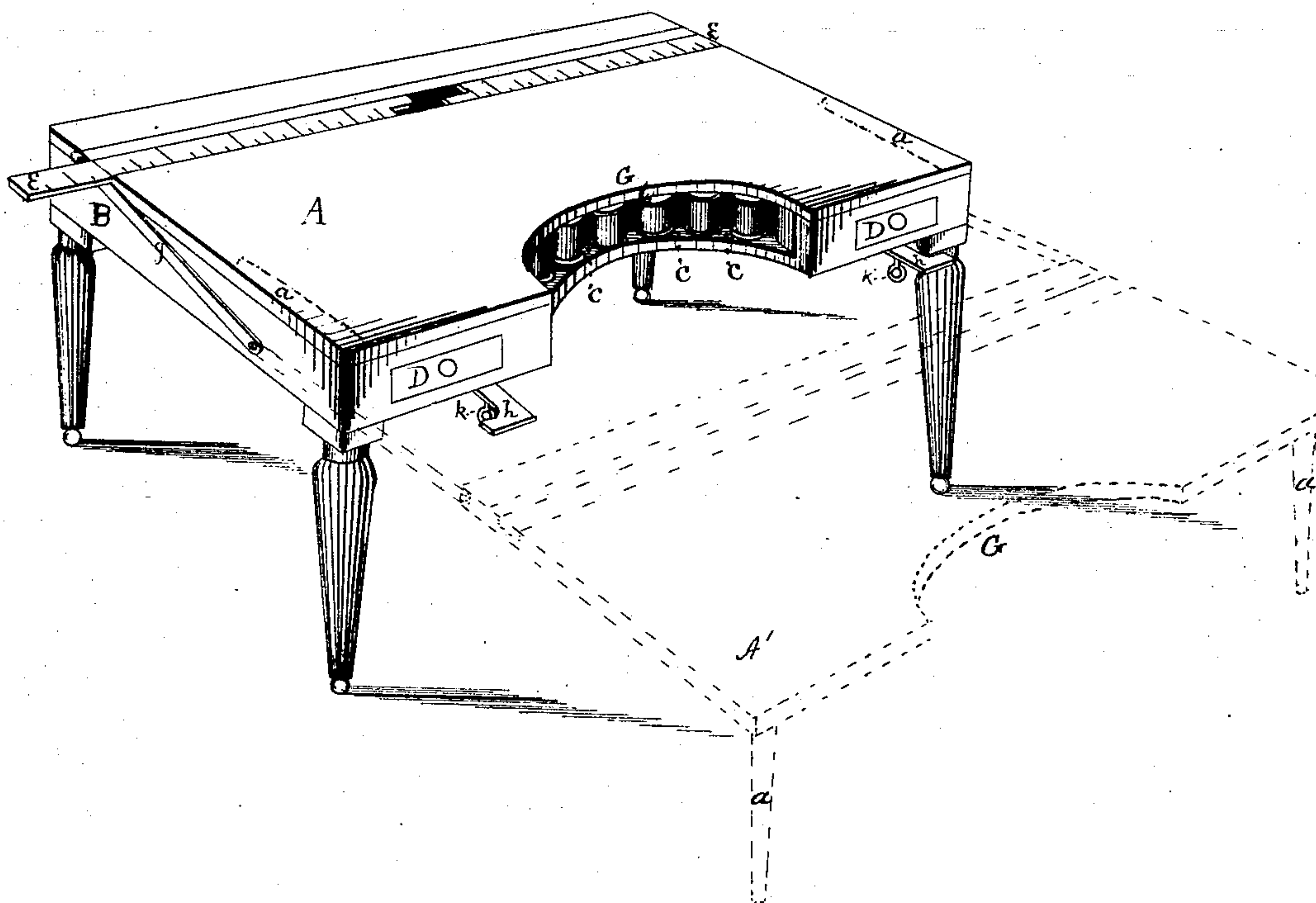


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IMPROVEMENT IN LADIES' WORK-TABLES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES R. SNYDER, a resident of Minneapolis, county of Hennepin and State of Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Ladies' Work-Tables, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, the drawings annexed hereto being made a part of this specification:

The object of my invention is to produce a neat, complete, and convenient form of a lady's work-table, with a lid thereto, constructed in such manner that it may be thrown in any desired position, and utilized as a lap-board.

The figure is a perspective view of my improved table.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe it.

Letter B represents a lady's work-table. The top A is fastened to the table B by the aid of the elongated hinges *g*, so that the top A can easily be converted into a lap-board of any required height, being thrown in the position as shown at A'. Should it become necessary or desirable to remove the lap-board A from the table B entirely, the hinges *g* can be unpivoted, and the elongated hinge be used for the legs of the board. Letter *e* is a graduated scale or rule, which slips into a beveled slot or groove in the top A, forming the cover to an aperture, which may be utilized for any desired purpose.

Letters D D represent drawers, divided on the inside in any suitable manner. Letters *c c c* represent cavities for spools of thread, their arrangement being secured and retained by suitable wires passing through their centers, the same being attached to the table proper. The skein-holders *h* are made adjustable by means of the thumb-nut and its counter-bolt *k*, said bolt working in an elongated slot, allowing the skein-holders to be placed closer together or farther apart, as may be desired. Underneath of the top A are secured the legs *a*, folding within the table when the top is on, but unfolding and acting as supports when the top is being used as a lap-board. The curve G in the front of the table is to accommodate it to the person using table or lap-board.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and want to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A lady's work-table constructed with compartments, as described, and provided with the top A, hinged to the frame by means of the elongated links *g*, in the manner set forth, whereby the top can be drawn over and adapted for use as a lap-board.

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