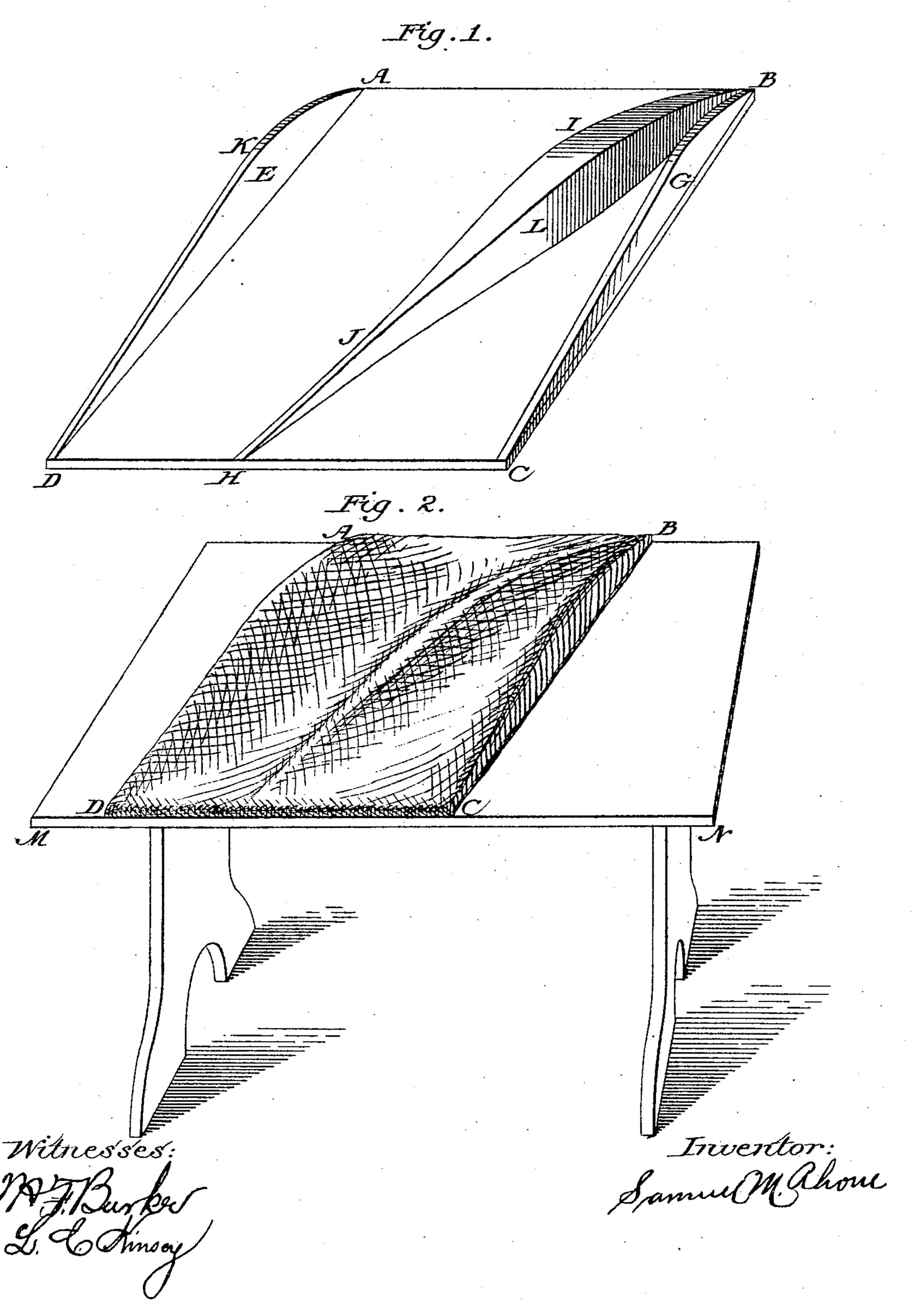
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL MATTHIAS RHONE, of Wilkes-Barré, Pennsylvania, have | If the top be made of other material than cloth, invented a new and useful Sewing Table and 5 Cushion, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to furnish those engaged in sewing, dressmaking, tailoring, hand-work, and such work generally, with a 10 table and cushion by which they can perform their work neatly and substantially without pain or fatigue other than that caused by continued sitting.

My invention will first be described, and 15 then more particularly pointed out in the claims hereinafter made.

In the drawings hereto annexed, Figure 1, A BCD is a bottom piece, cut nearly diamond shape.

Piece E is flat, one edge straight, the other, beginning at A, is curved to a point, K, say, five inches from A; then an easy turn is made and gradually sloped to a sharp edge at D. At K the piece is, say, three inches wide. 25 This piece is placed upon its straight edge, and upon the side of the bottom piece from A to D.

L is a piece like E, only longer, and about one and a half inch wider at I, with the wider 30 end placed at B, this piece extends obliquely across the bottom piece to H. It also stands upon the straight edge.

G is a piece like E, about the same size, with the straight edge beveled, so that, being placed 35 upon bottom piece from B to C, it leans to the right of a perpendicular to the base B C. This piece, with its wider end at B, stands upon the beveled edge and extends to C.

The pieces may be fastened together by 40 means of screws or nails, if made of wood. The whole is covered with any material wood, wire, cloth, or other material—cloth being preferable, as it gives the arms and hands a chance to move upon a bottom, which fits 45 itself to them. L is cushioned from I to J, the cushion at I being about one inch thick and gradually sloping toward either end of the piece L. This cushion is about three inches . wide, and also slopes toward the sides E and 5c G. Another piece of material is now placed

upon the top of the frame, extending over the whole to the edges of the bottom piece. If desirable, L may be cushioned before any covering is placed upon it, in which case the cush-

ion is fastened to the under side of the cover- 55 ing, and then the second cover is not required. the cushion is placed outside the first cover and the whole is covered again. When complete the cushion is placed upon the table with the 60 point D at the left elbow, and the side C D passes across the stomach. L being cushioned, there will be a ridge from I to J. The work or cloth to be sewed is fastened to this ridge at any point. The left arm rests upon the 65 left side of the ridge, between the parts E and L. The hand of this arm, holding the sewing, passes down the same side of the ridge, and the hand holding the needle passes down the right side of the ridge. The work may be 70 fastened by a pin passing through the material and into the cushioned ridge. The frame or entire cushion, being loose upon the table, may be turned to any position to suit the performer, and may be of any size, taking care 75 to preserve the shape.

My invention brings the work nearer the performer, who can sit erect or lean back in their chair.

By removing the frame or cushion the table 80 can be used instead of a lap-board for cutting, basting, &c.

By reversing the pieces the frame or cushion may be made for a person using the left hand.

Fig. 2, hereunto annexed, represents the 85 cushion upon the table. The edge D C of the cushion is placed upon the edge M N of the table. Point D of the cushion will then be at the left elbow of the performer, and the side D C will pass across the stomach to the right. 90 The whole will then be in front of the performer, who can proceed to work, as above specified.

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

1. A sewing frame or cushion consisting of a bottom piece or base, end pieces, and a diagonal partition-piece, the whole covered with cloth or other material, in combination with an ordinary table or stand.

2. A frame or cushion consisting of a base, end pieces, and diagonal partition-piece, the whole covered with cloth or other material, as shown and described.

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