

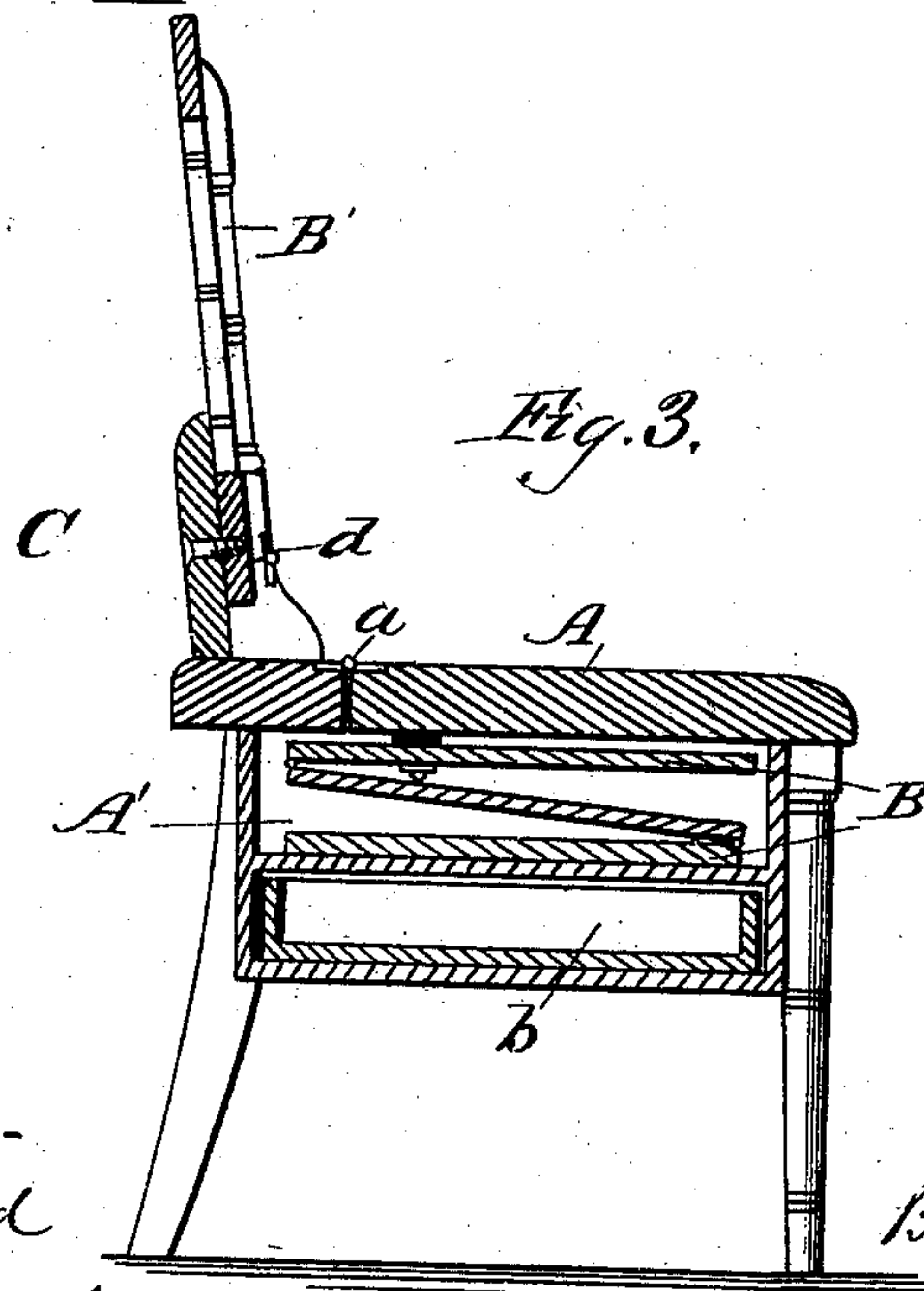
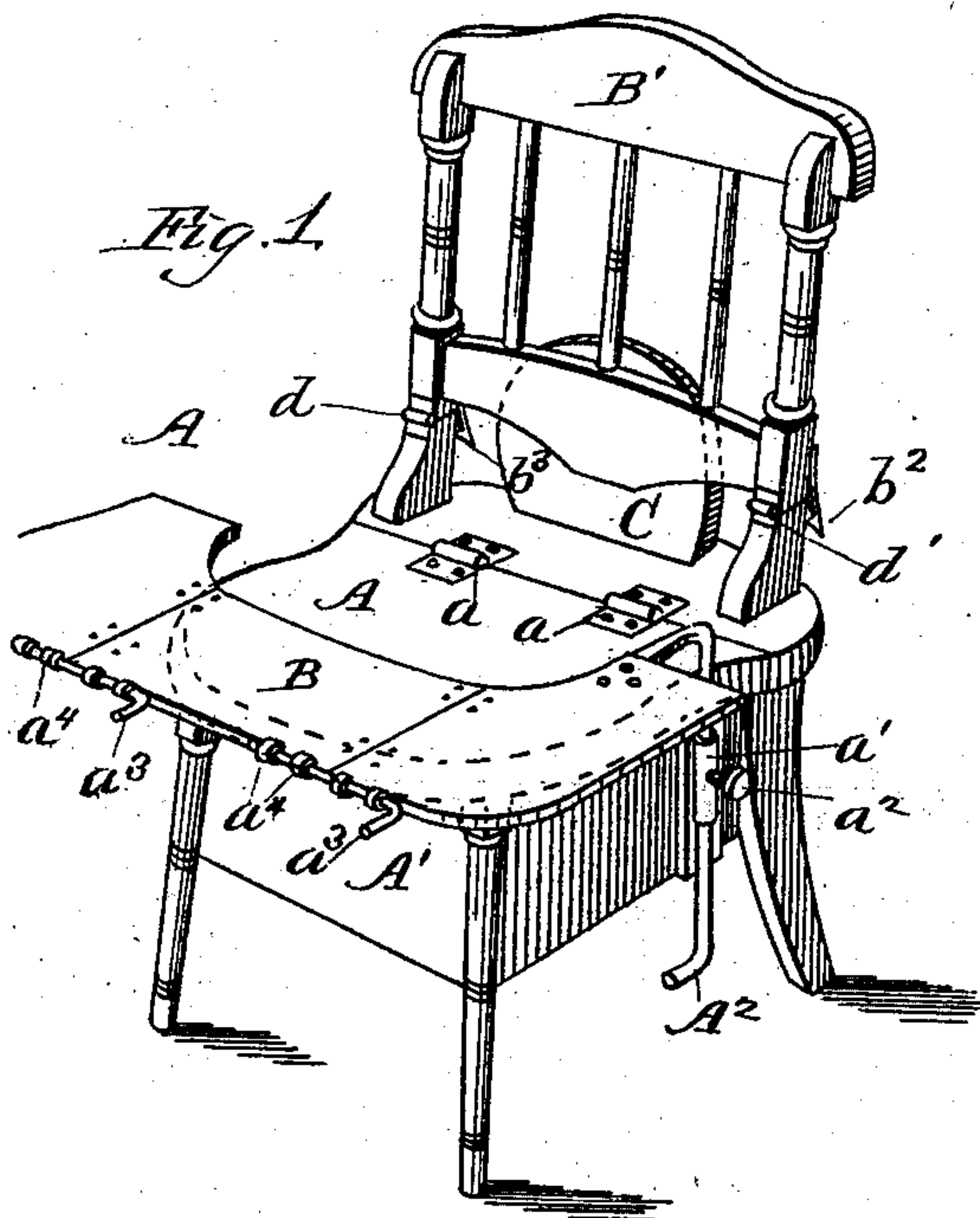
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, BYRON A. HATHAWAY, of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Combined Chair and Cutting-Table, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, that will enable others to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters of reference marked thereon, forming a part of this specification.

This invention relates to improvements in a combined chair and cutting-table or lap-board; and it consists in attaching to a chair an adjustable folding lap-board supported by a suitable standard, whereby the lap-board is adapted to have a vertical adjustment, and also arranged to swing around in a horizontal plane to a position in front of the operator seated in the chair, and when not required for use the lap-board may be conveniently folded and dropped into a receptacle underneath the chair-seat without detaching the same from the fastenings connecting it with the chair, the exact construction and arrangement of which will be hereinafter more fully set forth in detail.

Figure 1 is a front elevation of a chair embodying my improvement. Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section.

Referring to the drawings, A represents the chair-seat proper, provided at the back side with the hinged joints a a , which arrangement permits of the seat being thrown up against the back of the chair for the purpose of giving access to the box-compartment A' , placed underneath the seat, which provides a receptacle for the folded lap-board when the same is not required for use.

The cutting-table or lap-board B, as herein shown, is constructed in three parts, hinged together so as to fold over upon each other for the purpose of reducing it to a compact form corresponding to the storage-room in the compartment under the chair-seat. The lap-board is supported by the angular standard A^2 , attached to and placed at one side of the chair. The upper horizontal end of this standard is attached to the under side and

at one end of the lap-board, as shown in Fig. 1 of the drawings. The vertical part of the standard passing through the sleeve a' , attached to the side of the chair, is adjustably secured in relation thereto by means of the thumb-screw a^2 , which arrangement permits of the lap-board being conveniently adjusted to any required height. When the lap-board is folded up and stowed away underneath the seat, as shown in Fig. 3 of the drawings, the standard is dropped clear down, the upper angular end fitting into a rectangular notch in the side of the inclosing-box A' , so as to be entirely out of the way of the hinged seat, and allowing the same to shut close down. The lap-board may also be swung off to one side out of the way without being folded, thus enabling the operator to leave the chair without disturbing the work. The hinged joints of the board are stiffened and strengthened by means of the detachable pins a^3 , inserted in the rings a^4 , as shown in Fig. 1 of the drawings. The inner edge of the lap-board is cut out on a curved line, so that the same may be brought close up to the operator.

Underneath the box A' is placed the drawer b , which provides a convenient receptacle for miscellaneous articles; and b' is a pin and needle cushion for the convenience of the operator.

The back of the chair is provided with hinged joints d d' , whereby the same may be turned down onto the chair-seat.

The hoop-straps b^2 b^3 , attached to the back, are adapted to engage with the catches d^2 d^3 , for the purpose of locking the back in a vertical position. The back of the chair is also provided with the disk C, which forms a seat when the back is turned down for the purpose of converting the chair into a stool.

No claim is made in this application to the improvement last described, the same being reserved to become the subject-matter of a future application.

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

1. In a chair provided with a hinged seat,

adapted to be thrown up against the back, the combination of the folding lap-board B with the box-receptacle A', arranged underneath the chair-seat, substantially as described.

2. The combination, with a chair, of the adjusting-standard A², the folding lap-board B,

the sleeve a', and the thumb-screw a², substantially as described.

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