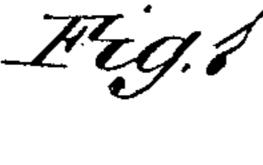
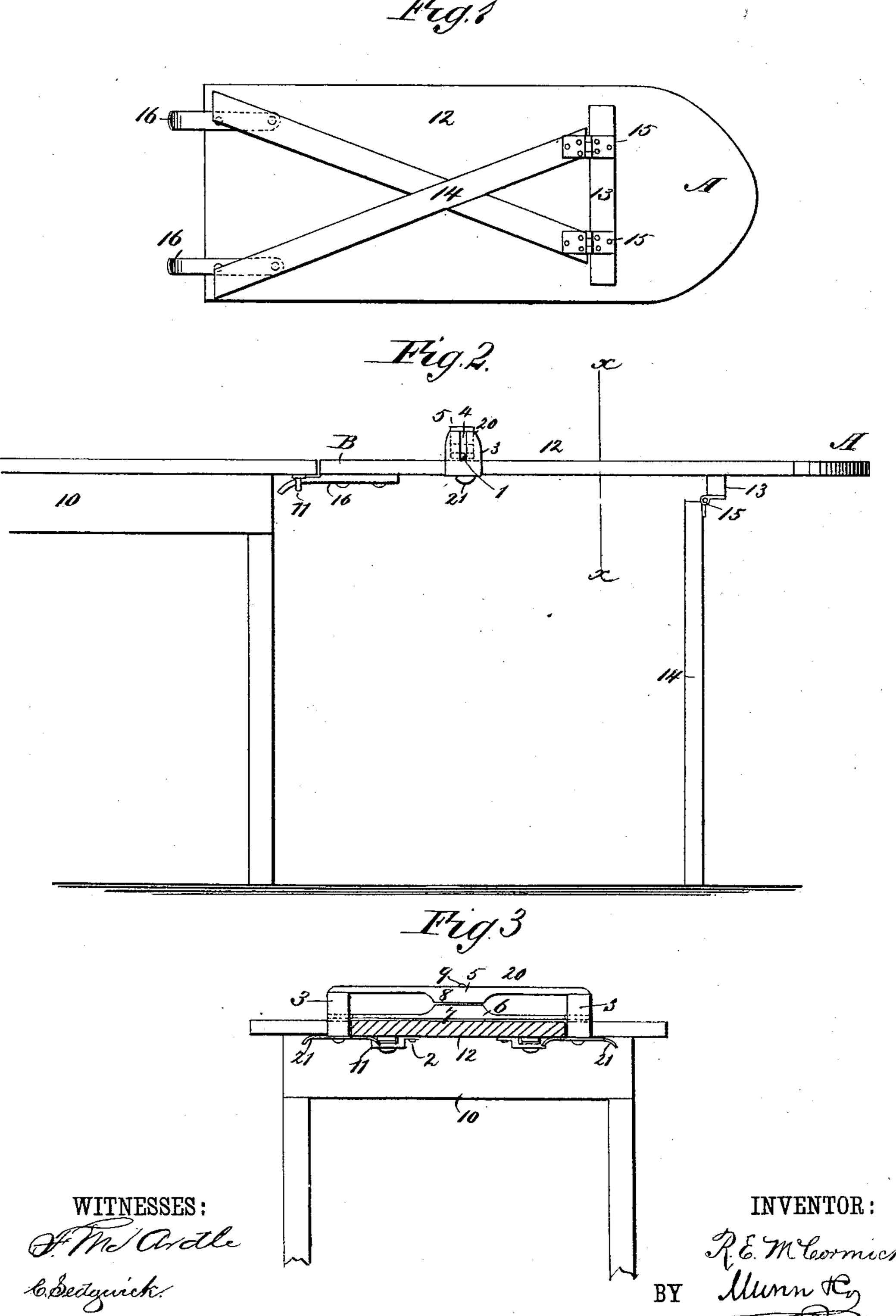
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Robert Edson McCor-Mick, of New London, in the county of Huron and the State of Ohio, have invented a new 5 Improved Ironing Board, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of my invention is to provide an ironing table or board with a proper form of clamp, whereby the shirts or other articles that are to be operated upon may be securely clamped to the board or table.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar figures of reference indicate

15 corresponding parts in all the views.

Figure 1 is an inverted plan view of my improved form of ironing board or table. Fig. 2 is a side view of the same, representing the ironing-board as mounted in connection with 20 an ordinary form of table; and Fig. 3 is a cross-sectional view taken on the line x x of Fig. 2.

In the drawings, 10 represents a table of any ordinary form, to the under side of which there are secured brackets 11, formed with central apertures, the brackets being preferably se-

cured to the table by screws 2.

12 is the ironing board or table, which may be made any width or length desired, and 30 to the under side of which there is secured a cleat or cross-bar, 13, which acts as the support for folding crossed legs 14, said legs being hinged to the cross-bar by hinges 15, as clearly shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

To the opposite end of the board 12 there are connected two prongs or bars, 16, the ends of which curve downward, asshown in Fig. 2, the arrangement being such that by slightly lowering the end A of the table or board 12 to the ends of the bars 16 may be inserted in the apertures of the brackets 11, after which the end B of the board 12 may be brought up close against the end of the table 10, the projecting end A at this time being supported by the fold-

ing legs 14, which are moved to the position 45 in which they are shown in Fig. 2, which arrangement, it will be seen, affords a steady and secure support for the table or board 12.

In connection with such table as has been described I employ a clamp, 20, which consists 50 of two end pieces, 3, that are formed with slots 4, an upper spring cross-piece, 5, that is secured to the upper ends of the blocks 3, and a lower spring cross-piece, 6, that is formed with an upwardly - extending projection, 7, which 55 meets a corresponding projection, 8, that is formed on the spring-piece 5, the two springpieces being united at this point by a bolt, 9, or in any other proper way. The ends of the spring-piece 6 are formed with extensions 1, 50 which ride in the slots 4 of the end pieces, 3. To the lower faces of the end pieces, 3, there are secured turn - buttons 21. In using this clamp the article to be held in place is placed upon the board or table 12. The clamp is then 65 placed upon the article, and the turn-buttons 21 are moved to a position so that one end of each button will extend beneath the table or board 12; and it will be found that when the clamp has been adjusted to the position just 70 described the article to be ironed will be firmly clamped to the board.

Having thus fully described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The combination, with an ironing board or table, 12, substantially as described, of a spring - clamp, 20, consisting, essentially, of slotted end blocks, 3, an upper spring-bar, 5, a lower spring-bar, 6, formed with extensions 80 which ride in the slots of the end blocks, and turn-buttons 21, all parts being arranged substantially as described.

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