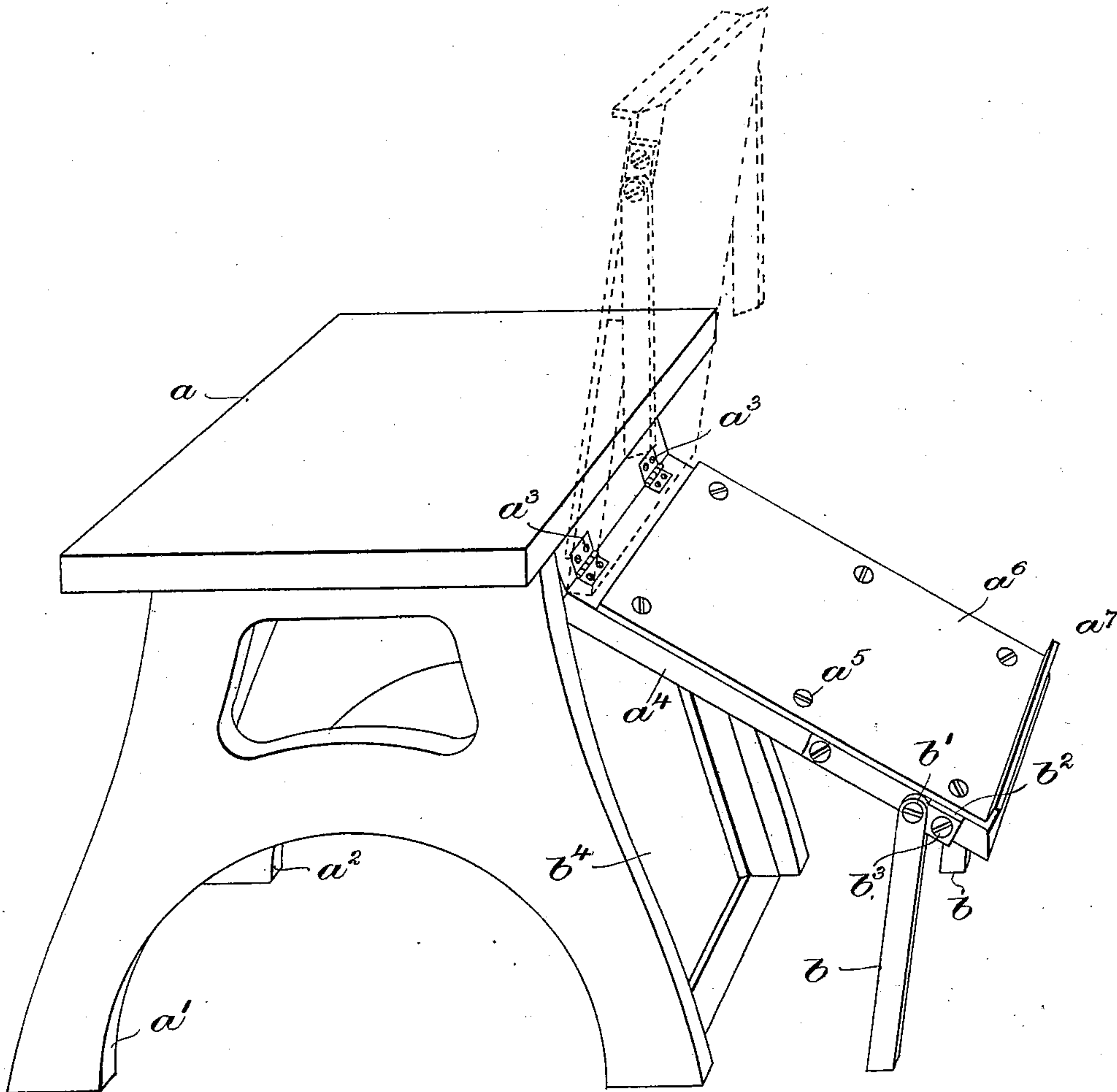


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FOOT-REST.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EUGENE L. BUTTON, of Brooklyn, county of Kings, State of New York, have invented an Improvement in Foot-Rests, of which the following description, in connection with the accompanying drawing, is a specification, like letters on the drawing representing like parts.

This invention relates to foot-rests especially adapted to be used in retail boot and shoe stores for trying on the boots and shoes of ladies and children.

My present invention is an improvement upon the foot-rest substantially such as shown and described in another application, Serial No. 343,640, filed by me March 12, 1890.

In my present improvement I use a stool or seat for the salesman, this stool or seat being hereinafter designated the "main frame," and to it is pivoted a foot-supporting frame having the capacity of folding outwardly and being thus supported to receive a foot while fitting a shoe, and also having the capacity of being folded against the main frame to cover a mirror affixed to said main frame, and also having the capacity of being raised above the main frame to uncover or expose the mirror to enable a customer to inspect the foot, all as I will proceed now particularly to set forth and claim.

The drawing represents a foot-rest embodying my invention, the movable foot-support being shown by dotted lines in its elevated position.

The main frame of my improved foot-rest is composed, as herein shown, of a top a and sides a' a^2 . The main frame has pivotally secured to it, as by hinges a^3 , a foot-support a^4 , preferably a solid piece of wood or other material, having secured to it, as by screws a^5 , a metallic plate a^6 , provided with an up-turned flange a^7 , forming a rest for the heel of the boot or shoe. The foot-supporting plate or frame a^4 is provided near its outer end with a support, preferably two legs b , pivoted, as at b' , to the frame a^4 and which sustain the outer end of the foot plate or frame when in its operative position. (Shown by full lines in the drawing.) The legs b co-operate with and bear against stops b^2 . (Shown as pieces of metal secured to the sides of the supporting-plate by screws b^3 .) The foot-supporting

frame forms a cover for a mirror b^4 , fastened in position between the side pieces a' a^2 of the main frame. The foot-supporting frame a^4 when not in use occupies a position between the sides a' a^2 of the main frame, and its front face is preferably substantially flush with the front edges of the said sides, the legs b at such time being turned up alongside of the foot-supporting frame. The mirror b^4 is at such time completely protected from liability of being broken or otherwise injured, and the foot-rest may be used as a stool or stand, if so desired.

When it is desired to try on a boot or shoe upon the foot of a customer, the clerk or other person opens out the foot-supporting frame a^4 , and the legs b will preferably fall by gravity into proper position to support the said frame, as shown by full lines in the drawing. The clerk or other person may kneel or sit upon the top a of the main frame and fit the boot or shoe upon the foot of the customer, and after the said boot or shoe has been adjusted the foot is removed from the supporting-frame and placed upon the floor, whereupon the supporting-frame a^4 is turned up into its dotted-line position, leaving the mirror exposed, so that the customer may clearly see the boot or shoe and thus be able to better judge how it looks upon the foot. When the foot-supporting frame a^4 is in its normal position, covering the mirror b^4 , the foot-rest may be readily removed from one place to another without danger of doing damage to the mirror.

In practice the plate a^6 may be provided with a suitable inscription.

I claim—

1. A foot-rest comprising a main frame consisting of a top and sides, a mirror secured between the sides, a foot-supporting frame pivoted at or near the top and over the mirror and adapted to be swung upwardly above the mirror to expose it and to be closed down between the sides to cover the mirror, and legs attached to the foot supporting frame to hold it in an intermediate position to serve as a foot-rest, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. In a foot-rest, the combination, with a main supporting-frame, consisting of a top a and sides a' a^2 , and a mirror secured to the said frame between its sides, of a foot-sup-

porting frame and mirror-cover pivotally at-
tached to the main frame near its top, and legs
b, pivoted to the sides of the foot-supporting
frame near its outer end, the foot-supporting
5 frame resting between the sides and covering
the mirror when in inoperative position, sub-
stantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my
name to this specification in the presence of
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