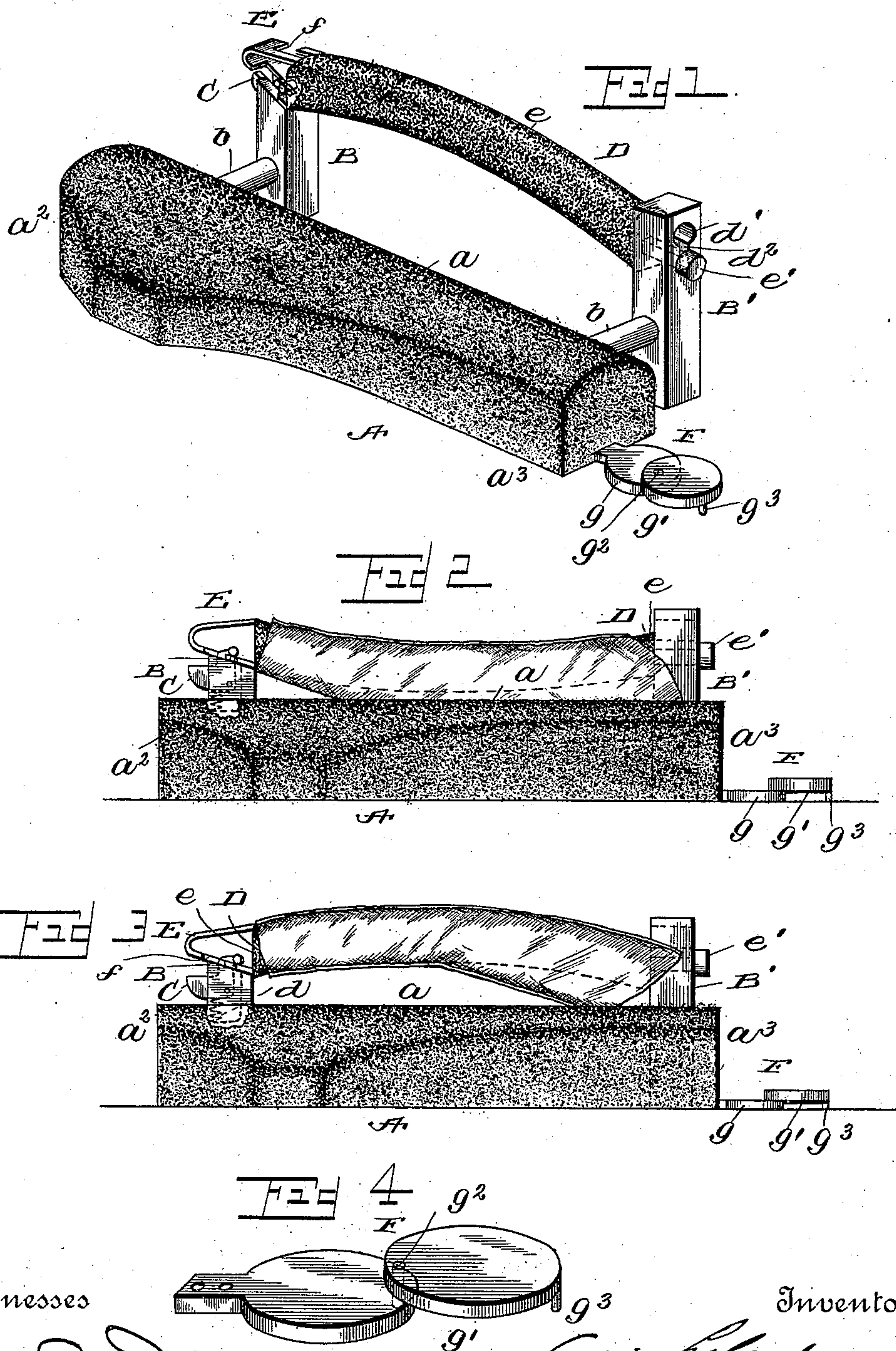


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## PRESSING-FRAME.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CARRIE LELAND, of Fremont, in the county of Dodge and State of Nebraska, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pressing-Frames; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to a pressing-frame for dressmakers; and it has for its object the production of a cheap, simple, and highly-efficient frame upon which all the seams of a dress can be readily and easily pressed, and the pressing-iron will only be permitted to come in contact with that portion of the material to be pressed.

The invention comprises the details of construction, combination, and arrangement of parts, substantially as hereinafter fully set forth, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a view in perspective of my improved pressing-frame. Fig. 2 is view showing the position of the curved arm ready for the pressing of the inner seam of a sleeve. Fig. 3 is a view showing the position occupied by said arm in the pressing of an outer seam. Fig. 4 is a detail view of the rest for the pressing-iron.

Referring to the drawings, A designates a board having an upper convexed surface, which is provided with heavy padding of felt or other suitable material. This board is widened near one end, as shown at  $a^2$ , and gradually curves inward, terminating in a narrowed or reduced portion  $a^3$ . Upon this board A are pressed the seams of the waist and other parts of a dress. By making the upper surface of this board convexed the pressing-iron is prevented from resting on any part of the waist except the seams to be pressed. From one side of this board A project two arms  $b b$ , which are secured at their outer ends to short posts B B'. In the post B is formed a slot, in which is located a catch C, held in its normal position by a coil-spring  $d$ . In the post B' is formed a circular hole or opening  $d'$ , from the lower portion of which extends a groove  $d^2$ , having straight or parallel side walls.

D is a curved arm, upon which the sleeves and darts of a waist are designed to be pressed. This arm is convexed on one face and concaved on the other or opposite face, and padding  $e$  is placed entirely around or over this arm. From one end of arm D projects a stud  $e'$ , having its outer end rounded and made wider than the body of the stud. This stud is first projected through the hole or opening  $d'$  in post B' and is then lowered into groove  $d^2$  and prevented from turning by the side walls of the latter engaging the squared body of the stud. To the other end of arm D is secured a plate E, having bayonet-slots  $f$  in its upper and lower portions. This plate is designed to rest upon the upper end of post B, and is securely held by the spring-pressed catch C, projecting through either one of the slots  $f$ . By disengaging this catch arm D can be readily released, and after having a sleeve inserted thereon can be again rigidly secured in position ready for the pressing of the seam in the sleeve.

F is a holder for the pressing-iron, the same being designed to hold the iron elevated from the stand or table, so as to prevent injury thereto by the heat of the iron. This holder consists of two corresponding plates or disks  $g g'$ , pivotally connected together by a pin  $g^2$ . The plate  $g$  is attached to one end of pressing-board A, and is designed to rest upon the table upon which the pressing-frame is supported. The plate or disk  $g'$  extends outwardly from plate or disk  $g$ , and from its under side projects a stud or leg  $g^3$  for supporting the outer portion thereof. It is upon this plate or disk  $g'$  that the pressing-iron is placed.

The advantages of my invention are apparent to those skilled in the art to which it appertains. It will be observed that when it is desired to press the darts of a waist or an outer seam of a sleeve the convexed portion of arm D is placed on top, permitting of the ready and easy pressing of such darts or seams. As shown in Fig. 2, the arm D is inverted, so as to present the concave surface upward for pressing the inner seam of a sleeve. By means of my improved pressing-frame all darts and seams of every portion of a dress can be pressed thereon without the use of any other form of pressing-boards. A



pressing-frame thus constructed is extremely simple and inexpensive, and being composed of but a few parts is not liable to readily get out of order or be deranged. Another and  
5 important advantage is that the different forms of pressing-boards are kept conveniently at hand.

I claim as my invention—

1. The herein-described improved pressing-  
10 frame, having the supporting-posts, the curved arm having one end projecting into one of said posts and the slotted plate on the other end thereof, and the spring-pressed catch for engaging said slotted plate, sub-  
15 stantially as set forth.

2. The herein-described improved pressing-  
frame, having the supporting-posts, one of  
20 which has a groove or opening therein, the spring-pressed catch in the other one of said posts, and the arm having concaved and convexed surfaces and provided at one end with a projecting portion extending through said

opening or groove of said post and having a plate at its other end provided with slots into which said spring-pressed catch projects, as  
25 set forth.

3. The herein-described improved pressing-  
frame, comprising the board formed substan-  
tially as described and having arms project-  
ing therefrom, the posts to which said arms 30  
are secured, provided one with a spring-pressed catch and the other with an opening or groove, and the curved invertible arm hav-  
ing a stud extended through said opening or  
groove and at its other end provided with a 35  
slotted plate designed to be engaged by said catch, as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscrib-  
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