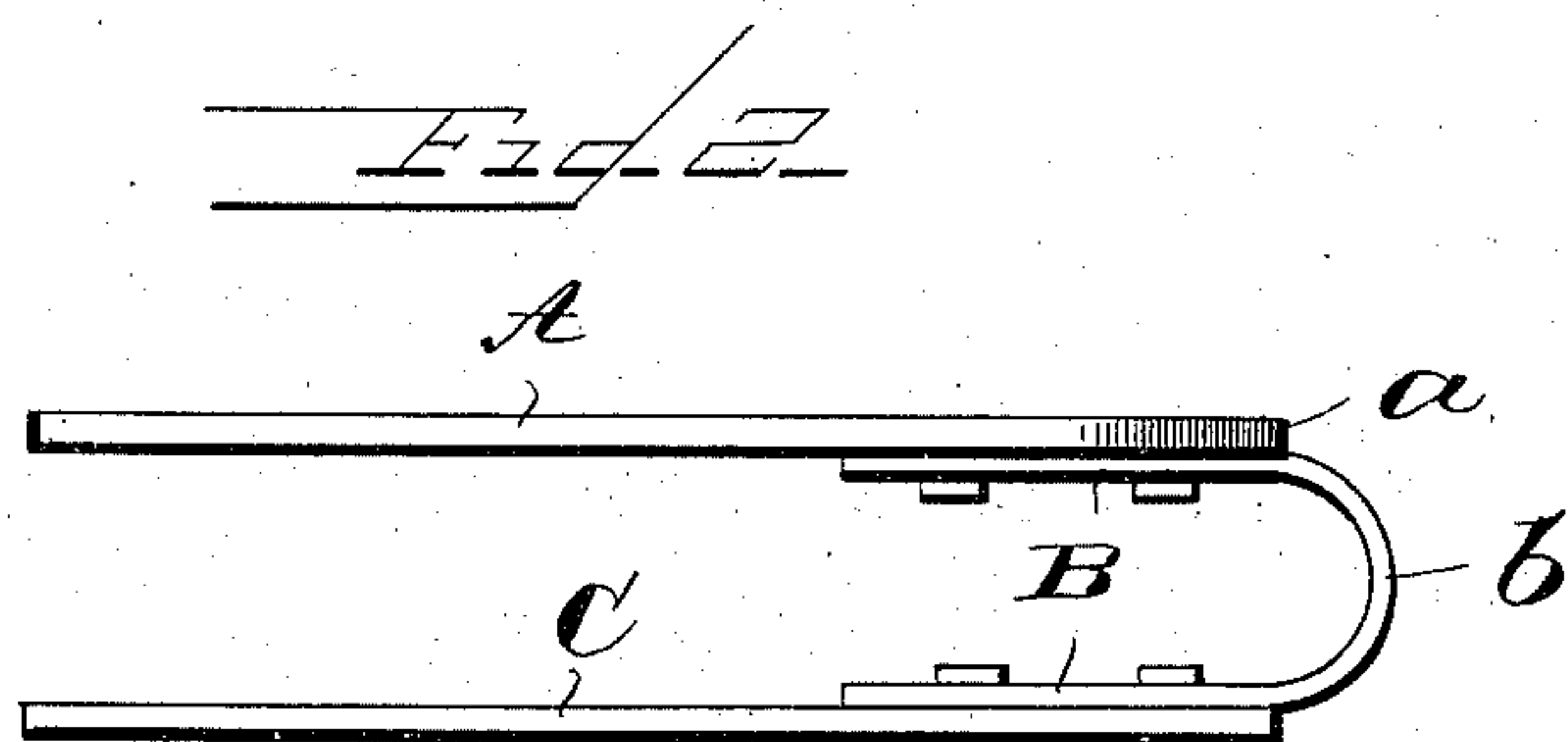
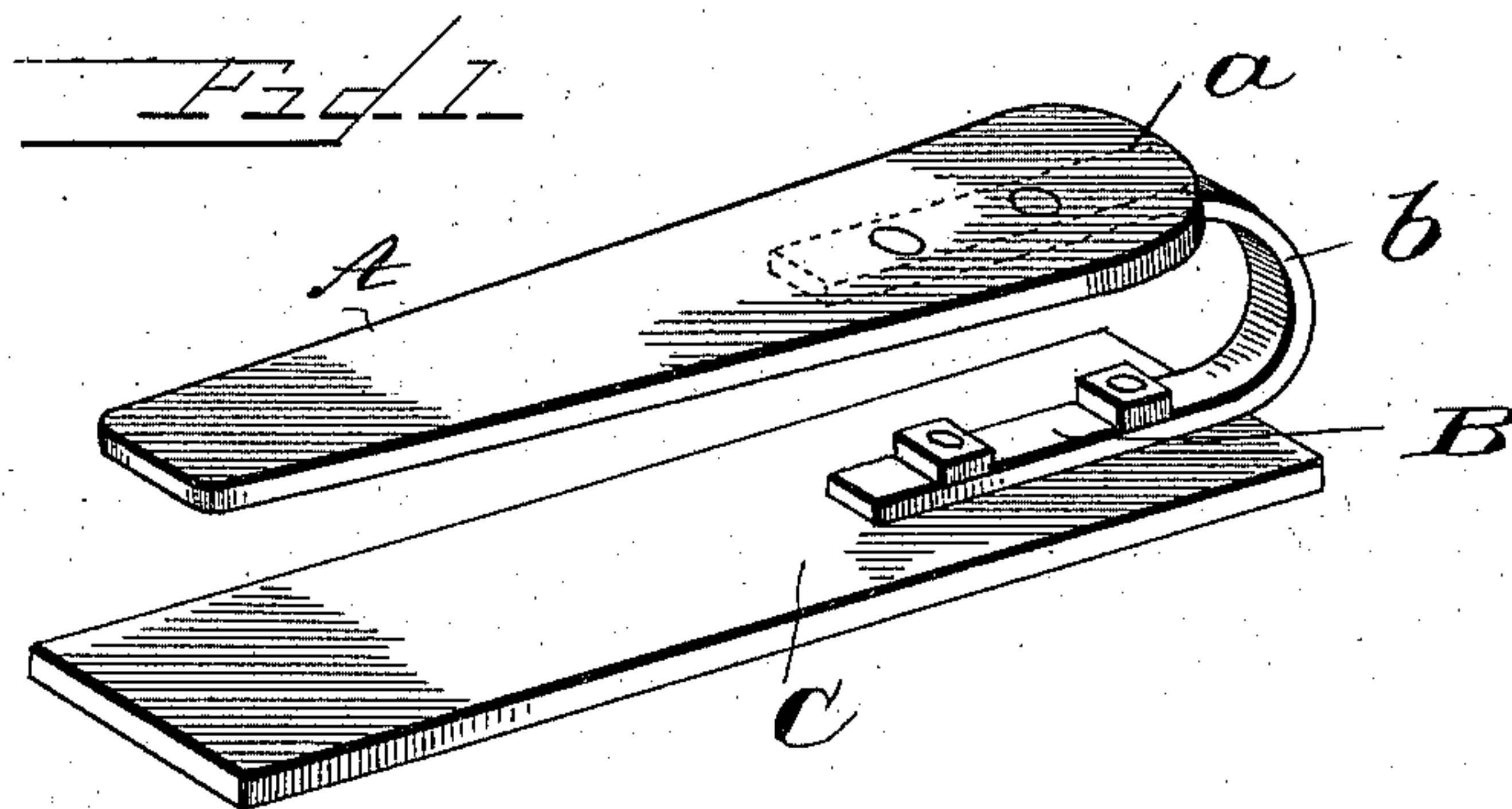


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY B. TEN EYCK, a citizen of the United States, residing at Johnstown, in the county of Fulton and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Ironing-Boards; 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.

My invention is an improvement in ironing-boards; and it consists in the novel features of construction hereinafter fully described, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which illustrate one form in which I have contemplated embodying my invention, and the said invention is fully disclosed in the following description and claim.

Referring to the said drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of an ironing-board constructed according to and embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same.

In the drawings, A represents the ironing-board proper, which is formed, preferably, of the length and width suitable for entering the sleeves of ladies' dresses. The said board is preferably a little wider at one end than the other, as indicated, and is rounded at its wider end, as shown at *a*, to conform to the shoulder-seam of dress-sleeves.

B represents a curved supporting-standard of resilient material, preferably steel, secured to the under side of the board A by screws or bolts or rivets, having their heads countersunk, so as to be flush with the top of the board.

The standard B has a curved shank *b* extending beyond the end of the board, as shown, so as to leave the entire space beneath the board free, and the said standard has a supporting-foot which is secured to a suitable base, as, for instance, the top of a table. In this instance, however, I have shown the foot of the spring-support secured to a base-board C of any desired shape and size to give a sta-

ble support for the ironing-board proper. I prefer to provide the base-board C for the reason that the board may be moved from place to place and used upon any suitable table or other supporting-surface.

In using the board it will be noted that sleeves of dresses and similar articles can be drawn entirely over the board A, thus enabling the iron to be pressed into the gathers about the shoulder-seam, which is brought over the curved end portion *a*. The sleeve can be turned to different positions as it is ironed, and the whole length of the sleeve will lie upon the board A, as the vertically-extending portion or shank of the spring-standard extends beyond the end of the board, and hence there is nothing beneath the board A to interfere with drawing the sleeve thereon. The standard B, being of spring material, yields slightly as the iron is pressed upon the board and gives the same effect as if the board were heavily padded, rendering such padding unnecessary and giving a better ironing-surface. When desired, the board may be used as a bosom-board, or, if not of sufficient width, the device may be turned over and the bottom of the base-board C may be used for this purpose.

This ironing-board can be very cheaply made and is very effective and advantageous for various laundry purposes, particularly the ironing of ladies' puffed sleeves, as before described.

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

In an ironing-board the combination with the board proper, of a single supporting-standard of resilient material having its vertically-disposed portion lying beyond the end of the board, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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