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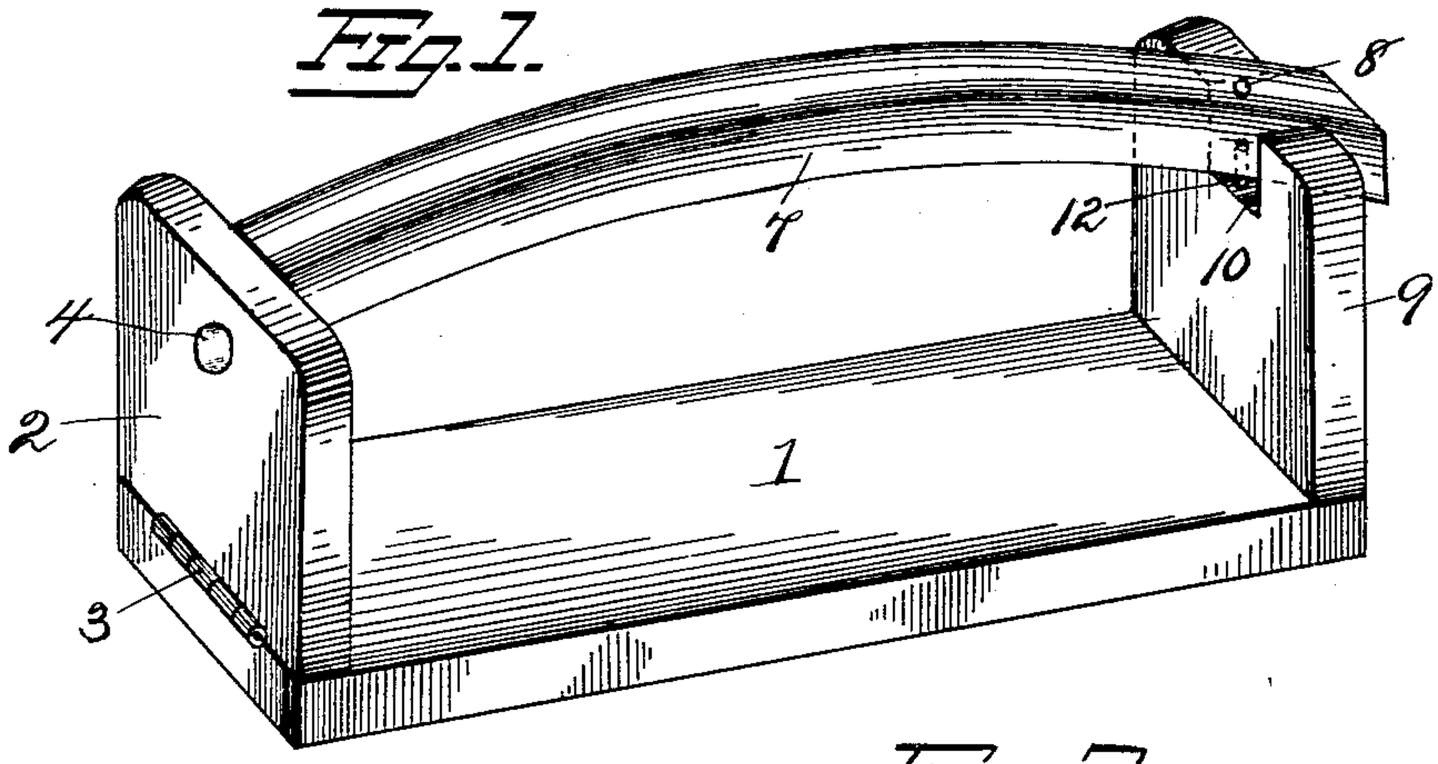
Fig. 1.



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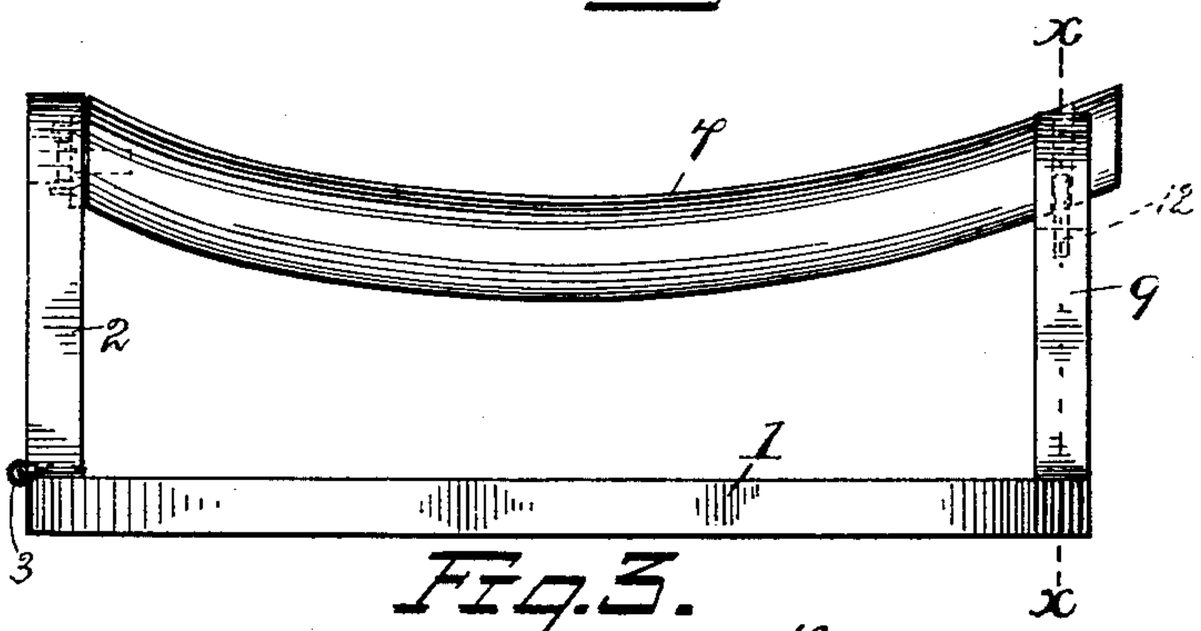

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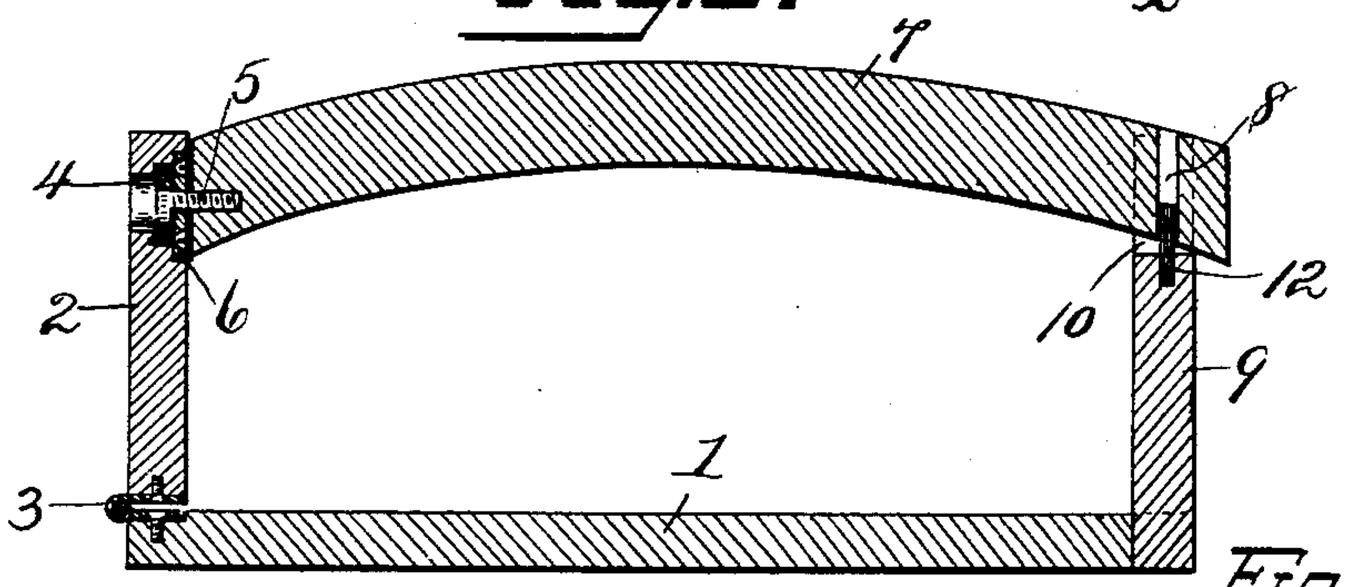

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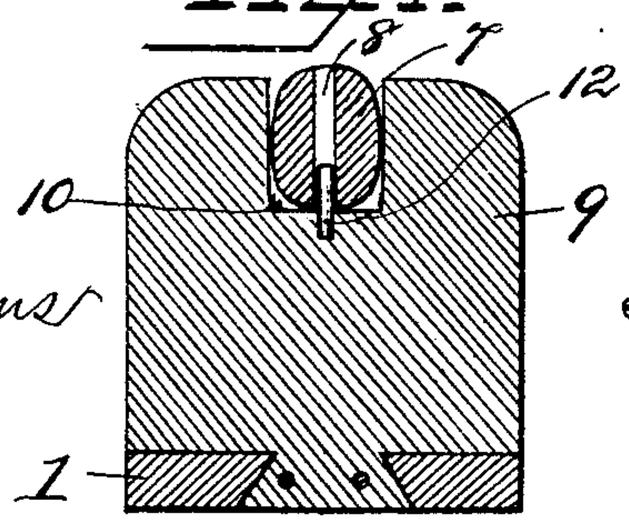

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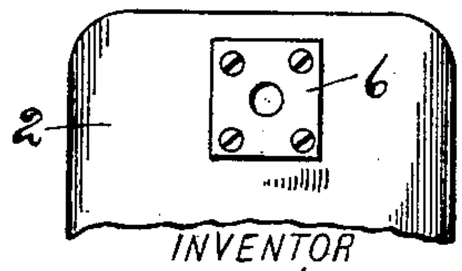

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARGARET STEELE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Pitcairn, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Press-Boards; and I do 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, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to press-boards for receiving and holding the sleeve of a garment while the seams of the same are being pressed.

The invention consists, essentially, in a base provided at one end with a hinged upright, having a hole or aperture near its upper end, a concavo-convex or curved reversible arm, approximately oval in cross-section, pivotally connected therewith, and having a hole near its free end, a fixed upright at the opposite end of the base, having a slot at the upper end and a pin which engages with the hole in said arm, as hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a press-board constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is an elevation of the same, showing the concavo-convex arm reversed. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal sectional view of the same. Fig. 4 is a vertical section on the line *x x* of Fig. 2. Fig. 5 is a view of part of the hinged upright, showing the rectangular plate attached thereto.

In the said drawings the reference-numeral 1 designates a base preferably made of wood, provided at one end with an upright 2, hinged thereto by means of a hinge 3. Near its upper end this upright is provided with a hole or aperture 4, for the passage of a headed screw 5, which forms the pivot for a concavo-convex arm, hereinafter described. This screw also passes through an aperture in a rectangular plate 6, secured to said upright and with which plate the head of the screw engages whereby it is held in place in said hole.

The numeral 7 designates the concavo-convex arm, approximately oval in cross-section, which receives the sleeve to be pressed. The said screw engages with one end of said arm, so that as the latter is rotated the screw will turn with it, the plate 6 forming the bearing for the screw. At the opposite or free end the said arm is formed with a hole or aperture 8.

At the opposite end of the base is a fixed upright 9, having a slot 10 in its upper end, with which engages the free end of the concavo-convex arm. Located in this slot and secured to the upright is an upwardly-projecting pin 12, which engages with the hole 8 in the said arm.

The operation is as follows: The arm is disengaged from the slot in the fixed upright and the hinged upright thrown back. The sleeve, the seams of which are to be pressed, is then slipped on the arm 7, and the hinged upright is then returned to normal position, the free end of said arm engaging with the slot in the fixed upright, the pin 12 entering the hole 8 and holding the arm in place. The seam is now pressed by a smoothing-iron, when the hinged upright is again thrown back and the arm 7 rotated so as to reverse its position and bring the other seam of the sleeve uppermost. The upright and arm are then again turned down and the pressing operation repeated.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim is—

In a press-board, the combination with the base, the upright hinged to one end thereof, having a hole near its upper end, and the rectangular plate secured to said upright and having an opening alined with said hole, of the headed screw passing through said plate, the concavo-convex reversible arm approximately oval in cross-section, to one end of which said screw is secured, and having a hole at the free end, the fixed upright having a slot in its upper end and the pin secured to said upright and adapted to engage with the hole in said arm, substantially as described.

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