

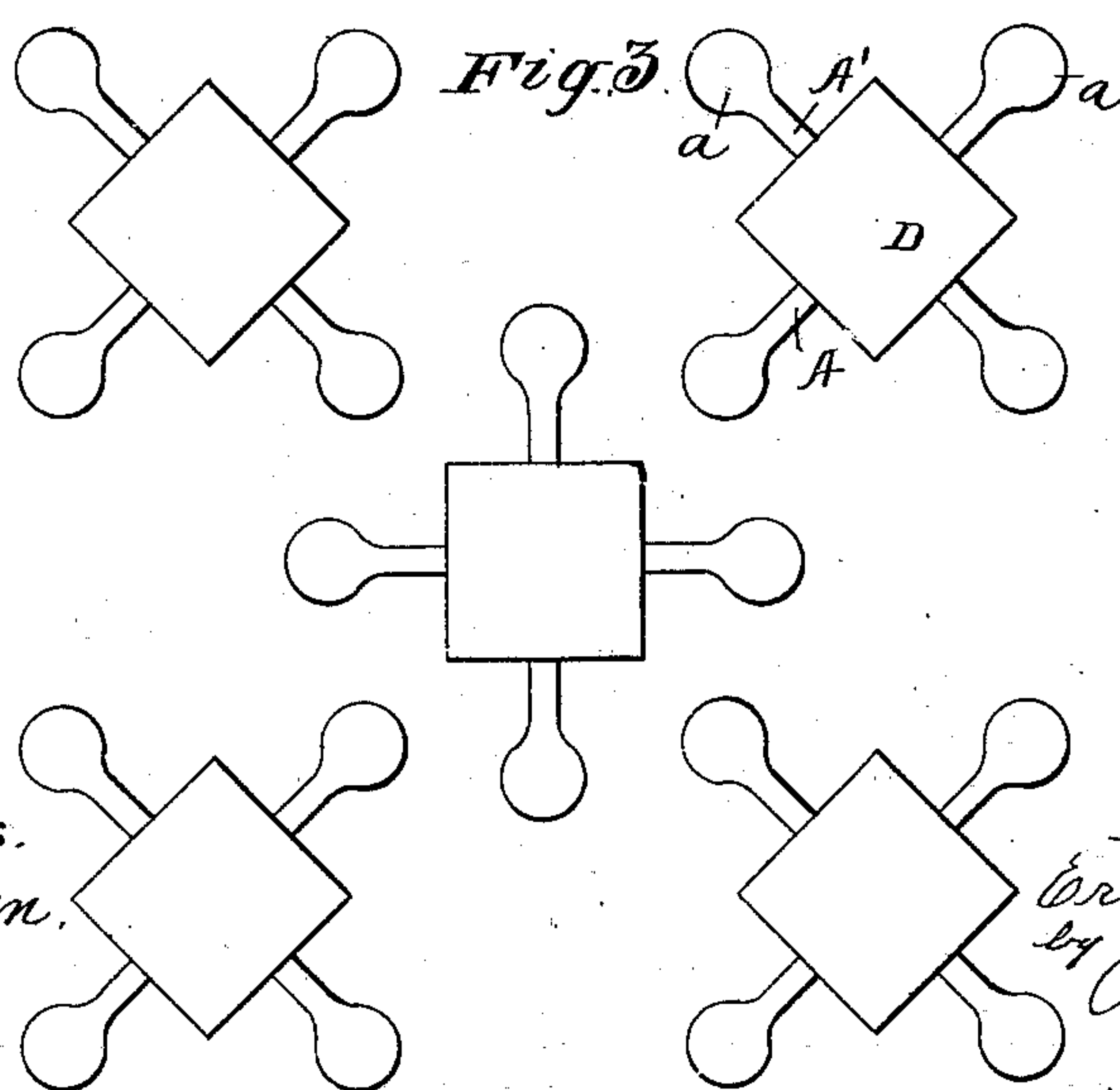
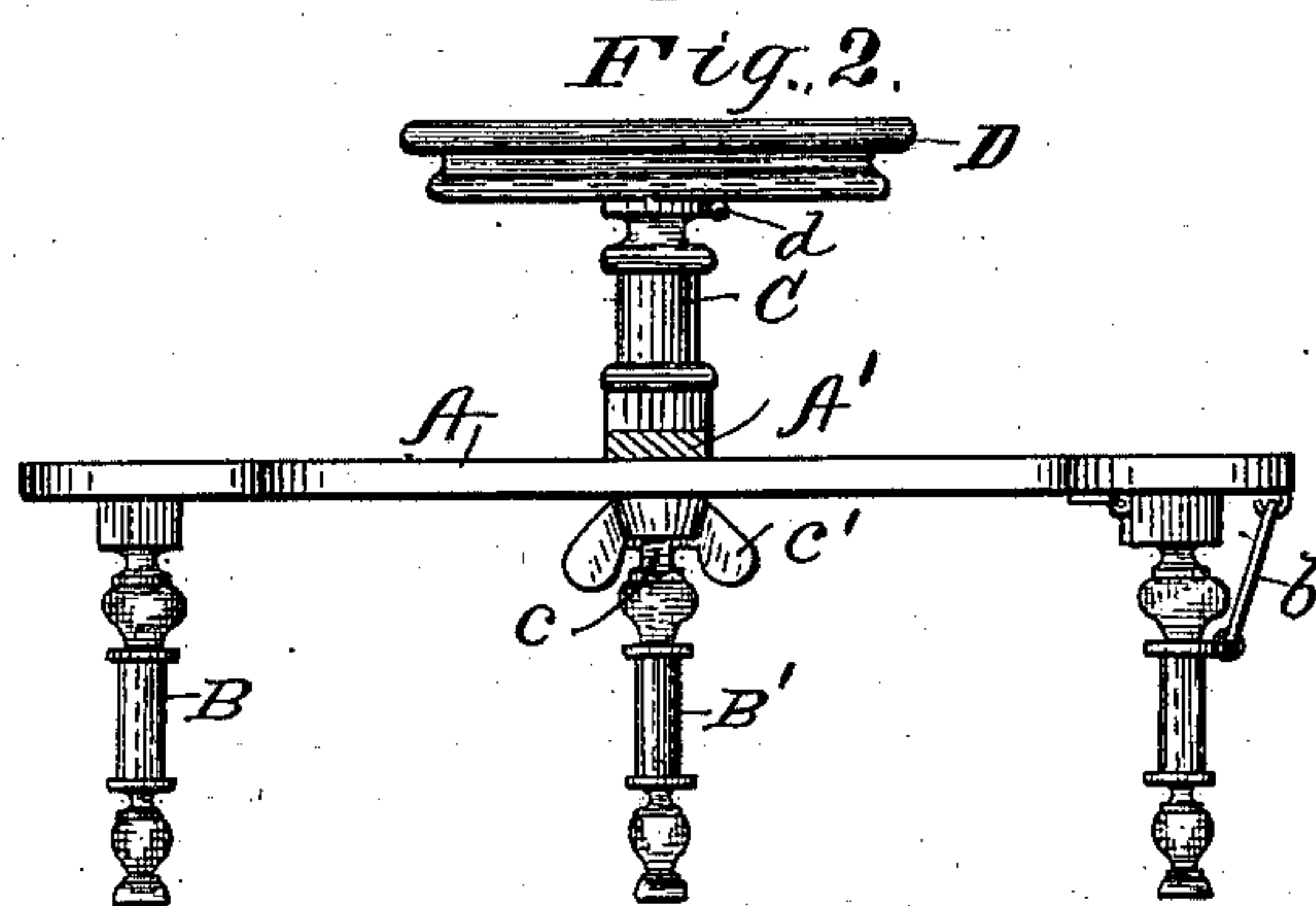
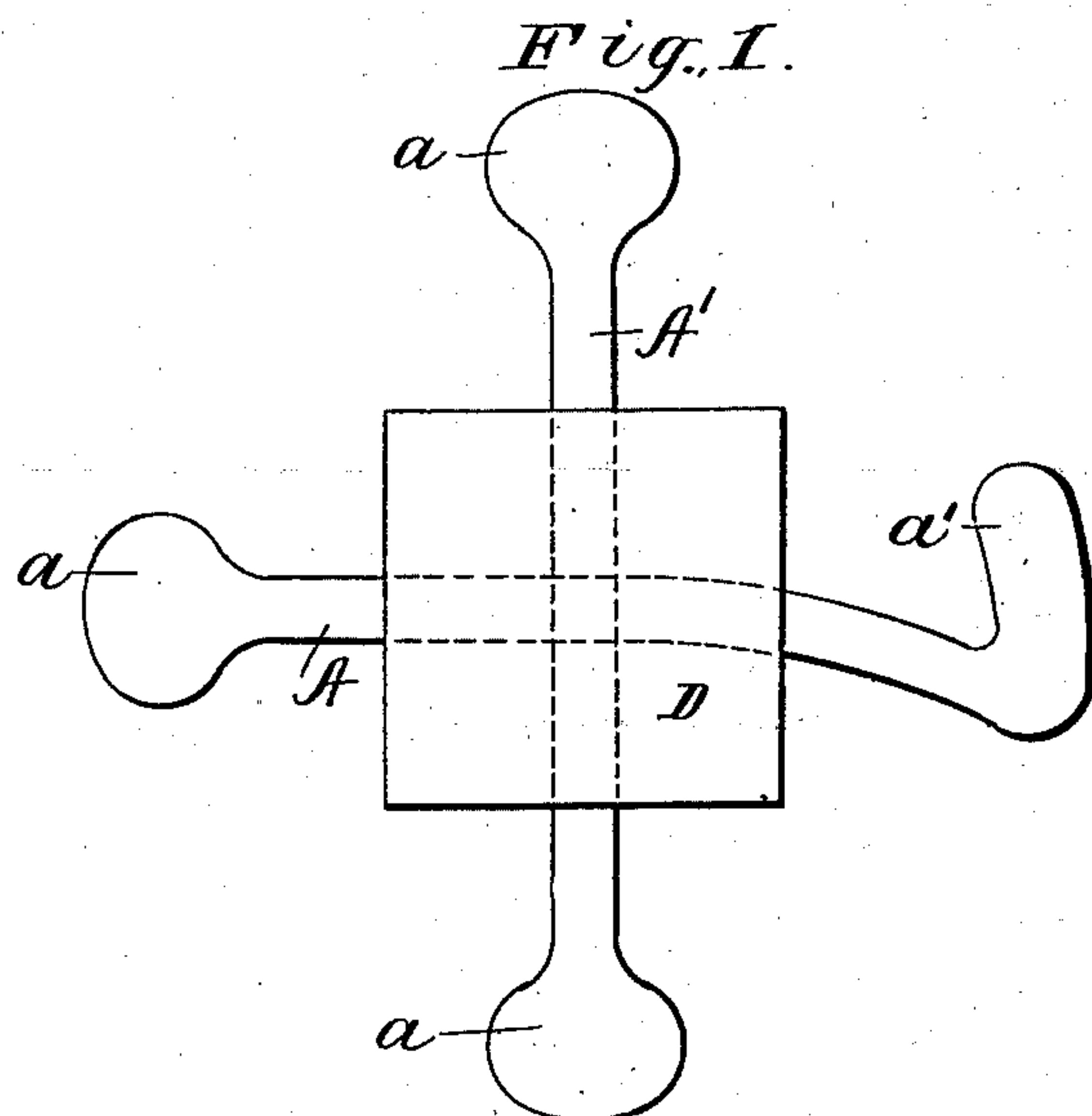
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ERNST HUETHER, of the city of New York, State of New York, have invented a new and useful Combination Table and Seat, which invention is fully set forth in the following specification.

This invention is a card-table with seats, and is particularly adapted for use where more than one game is in progress at the same time, as in progressive euchre or the like, where the players move from one table to another at the end of each game. An ordinary table is supported on four legs and each of four players requires a chair with four legs, making twenty legs in all, that take up floor-space and interfere with the feet of the players. When the partners move from one table to another, there is the inevitable shoving back and scraping of chairs and possibly upsetting of tables that is exceedingly objectionable. Besides, it is impossible to employ several tables in a small apartment without unduly crowding and inconveniencing the players.

My invention consists in providing two benches secured together at right angles to support a standard that carries the table and in certain minor details of construction to be pointed out.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a plan view; Fig. 2, an elevation, and Fig. 3 a plan showing how a number of tables may be arranged.

A A' are two boards or benches, preferably swelling out at their ends, as shown, to provide seats *a*. B B and B' B' are the four legs, one at each end of each bench. The two benches are arranged as shown, preferably pivoted at their centers, as by a rod *c*, depending from a standard C, a thumb-nut *c'* on the threaded end of the rod serving to clamp the benches in position. The standard C supports the table D at a suitable height. The table may be hinged to the standard, as shown at *d*, Fig. 2, and the legs to their respective benches, so as to fold down for convenience in moving or storing, suitable catches, as *b*, being provided to hold the table D and the legs in proper position. The seats may be provided with backs fixed, folding, or detachable, as desired.

The gentlemen can straddle the benches, while the ladies sit sidewise or upon seats shaped as shown at *a'*, there being abundant room for the players' feet.

It will be perceived that there are only four legs in all instead of the twenty necessary with the ordinary table and chairs, that the table will be absolutely non-upsettable, that there is no necessity for moving chairs when changing partners, that many tables can be placed in one room, and that this combination article of furniture can be folded together (or taken apart) for convenience in storing or moving.

I do not wish to limit myself to the exact construction or arrangement set forth, since many changes may be made in the forms, proportions, and arrangements indicated without in any case departing from the spirit of my invention.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

1. A combination table and seats, the same consisting of two benches secured together transversely and a table carried thereby, substantially as described.

2. The combination of two benches secured together, a standard supported thereby, and a table carried upon said standard, substantially as described.

3. The combination of a table, a standard hinged thereto, two benches pivoted upon the lower end of said standard, means for clamping said benches in position, and hinged legs supporting said benches, substantially as described.

4. The combination of a standard, a table carried by the upper end thereof, and two supporting-benches pivoted on the lower end of said standard and providing seats, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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