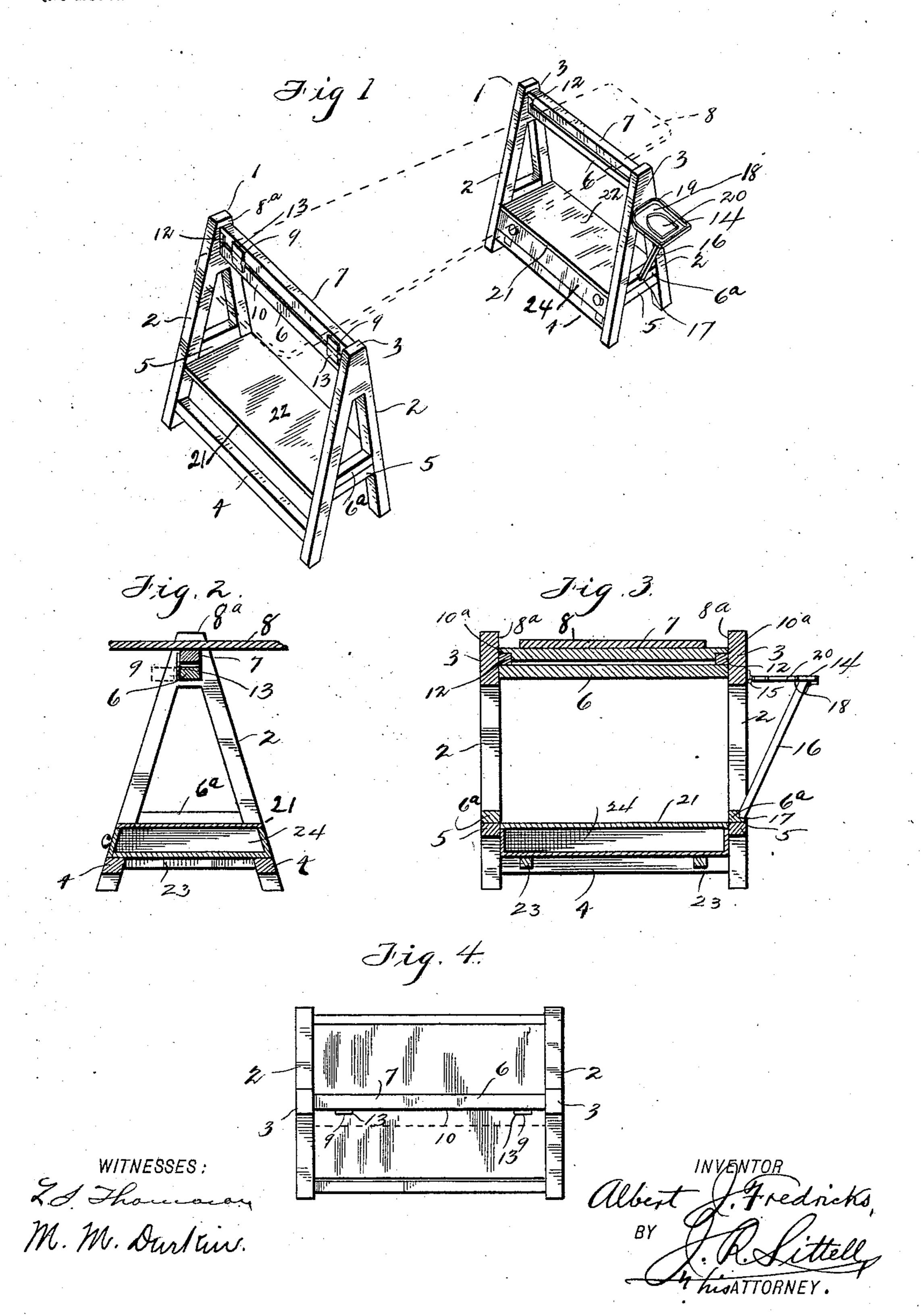
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Albert J. Fredricks, a citizen of the United States, residing at Scarsdale, in the county of Westchester and 5 State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Ironing-Board Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to ironing-board to holders; and it has for its object to provide an improved device of this class which will be relatively simple in construction and effective in use and upon which the ironing-board may be conveniently supported in op-

15 erative position.

Another object of this invention is to provide an ironing-board holder which is independent of the ironing-board in non-use, whereby it may be conveniently stowed away in a relatively confined space and which is adjustable to the several heights required in

use by different persons.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved ironing-board holders, showing two of the same in use. Fig. 2 is a detail longitudinal sectional view of the ironing-board and one of the holders in Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a detail transverse sectional view taken through one of the holders and one end of the ironing-board, as shown in Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a detail top plan view of one of the holders, the board-rest being shown in dotted lines in one of its two positions.

Corresponding parts in all the figures are denoted by the same reference characters.

Referring to the drawings, 1 designates my improved ironing-board holder, which comprises, in the main, a pair of side supports or standards 2, which converge and are connect-40 ed at their top portions, as at 3, and are provided with side cross-braces 4 and end crossbraces 5. The tops of the side supports or standards are connected by a transverse top piece 6, to which is hinged a transverse board-45 rest 7 and upon either of which one end of the board 8 is rested in using the same. The top piece 6 and the board-rest 7 are spaced a slight distance beneath the tops of the side supports, whereby the extreme tops 8a of said 50 supports serve as stops to prevent lateral displacement of the board.

The board-rest 7 in the preferred form of

construction consists of an elongated angular block, which is hinged at one side edge, as at 9, to one side edge 10 of the top piece 6, 55 whereby said block may be turned upon its hinges to lie alongside the top piece. The under side of the block 7 is cut away at each end, as at 10^a, and two blocks 12 are secured to the top piece 6 at the ends of the same in 60 position to fit the cut-away portions. The hinges 13 of the board-rest are so placed as to raise the board-rest above the top piece at any desired height, in which position the board-rest is supported by the blocks 12.

Hinged to one of the side supports of one of the holders, as at 15, is a folding iron-rest 14, which may be supported in horizontal operative position by a leg 16, hinged to the iron-rest, the lower end of which leg fits a 70 socket 17, formed in the cross-brace 6° at the side of the holder. The iron-rest 14 may be of any suitable form, but preferably consists of a broad base 18, provided with side flanges 19, and upon which is secured the rest proper, 75 20, which may be of any of the usual forms of infusible stands. When not in use, the iron-rest, including the leg 16, may be lowered against the side of the holder.

ered against the side of the holder.

A horizontal shelf 21 is arranged between 80 the two side supports 2 of both holders, and said shelf may be provided with a tin or other covering 22, whereby irons may be placed upon the same without burning or scorching the shelf. Beneath and spaced from the shelf 85 21 in one of the holders are arranged two transverse braces 23, which are connected to cross-braces 4 and upon which is supported a drawer 24, which slides beneath the shelf 21, so that the latter constitutes a closure for the 90 drawer. In this drawer ironing-wax and other articles for use in ironing may be retained.

The operation and advantages of my improved ironing-board holder will be readily understood. Two of said holders are commonly employed, and the board 8 is normally rested at each end upon one of the boardrests 7, with the latter resting upon the blocks 12. The board-rests may, however, be lowered upon their hinges 13 to permit the board to rest directly upon the top pieces 6. The board may thus be conveniently supported at two working altitudes and adapted to use by persons of varying height. By varying the

proportions of the hinges 13 and the blocks 12 the variation of altitude of the board may be regulated as desired. The iron-rest 14 is readily thrown into and out of operative posi-5 tion and is conveniently arranged for use at one side of the board when the latter is in operative position. The board and holders may be readily disconnected for storage in convenient position.

The entire device is simple and durable in construction and is desirable in point of con-

venience and general efficiency.

I do not desire to be understood as limiting myself to the details of construction and ar-15 rangement as herein described and illustrated, as it is manifest that variations and modifications may be made in the features or construction and arrangement, in the adaptation of the device to various conditions of use, 20 without departing from the spirit and scope of my invention and improvements. I therefore reserve the right to all such variation and modification as properly falls within the scope of my invention and the terms of the follow-25 ing claims.

Having thus described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Pat-

ent—

1. An improvement in means for support-30 ing an ironing-board, comprising side supports or standards, a transverse top piece extending between the top portions of said side supports or standards, a board-rest hinged to said top piece and extending longitudinally 35 of the same, and means for supporting said board-rest in superposed position upon said top piece, said means consisting of a plural-

ity of blocks secured to said top piece, said !

board-rest being recessed to receive said blocks.

2. An improvement in means for supporting an ironing-board, comprising side supports or standards, a transverse top piece extending between the top portions of said side supports or standards, a board-rest hinged to said 45 top piece and extending longitudinally of the same, and means for supporting said boardrest above and spaced from said top piece; said means consisting of a plurality of blocks secured to said top piece and interposed be- 50

tween the same and said board-rest.

3. An improvement in means for supporting an ironing-board, comprising side supports or standards, a transverse top piece extending between the top portions of said side 55 supports or standards, a board-rest hinged to said top piece and extending longitudinally of the same, means for supporting said boardrest above and spaced from said top piece, an iron-rest hinged to one of said side supports 60 or standards and provided with means for maintaining the same in horizontal position, a shelf extending between the lower end portions of said side supports or standards, and a drawer supported by said side supports or 65 standards in a plane directly beneath said shelf whereby the latter constitutes a closure for the drawer.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name in the presence of the subscribing wit- 70 nesses.

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