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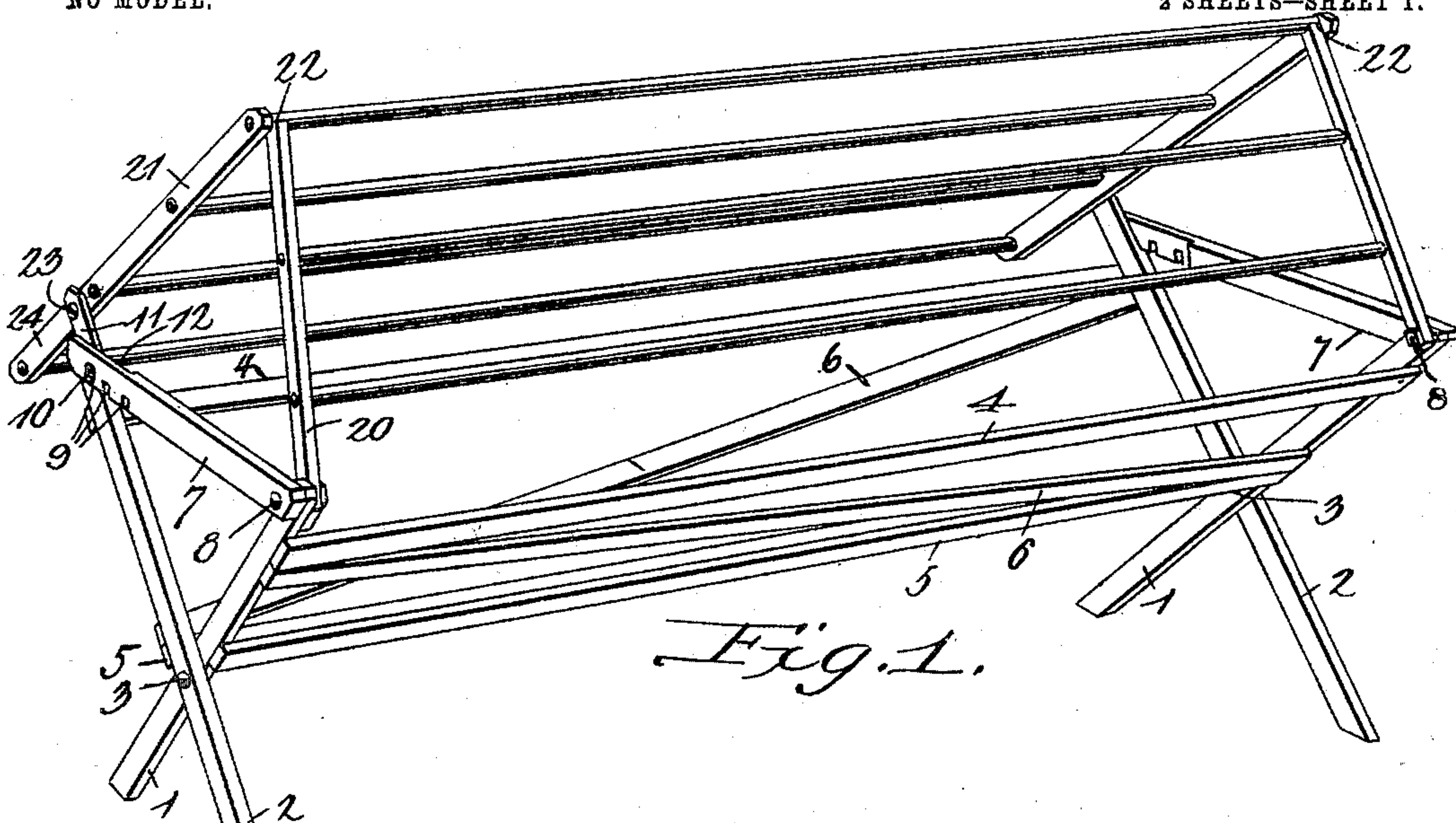


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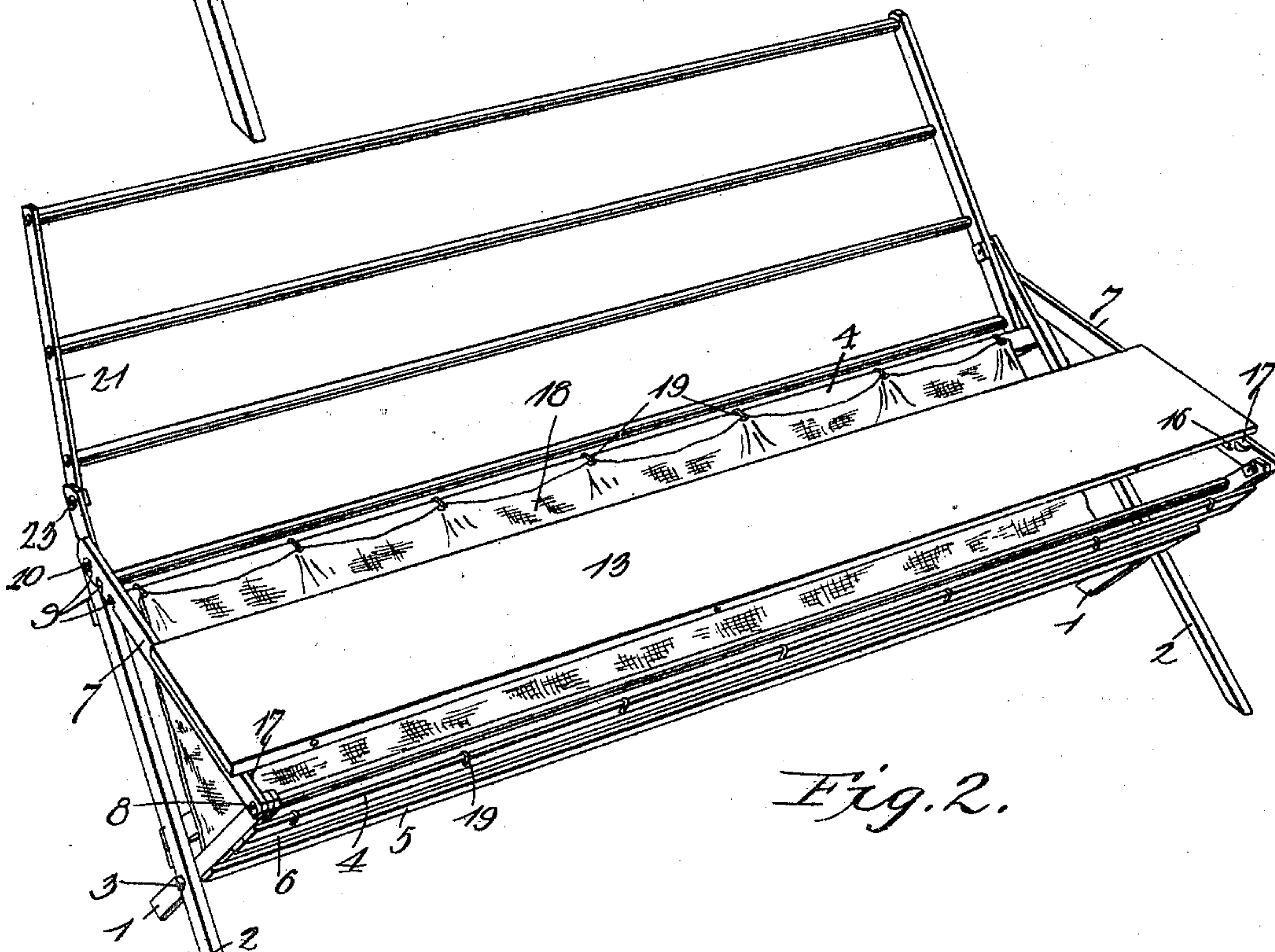


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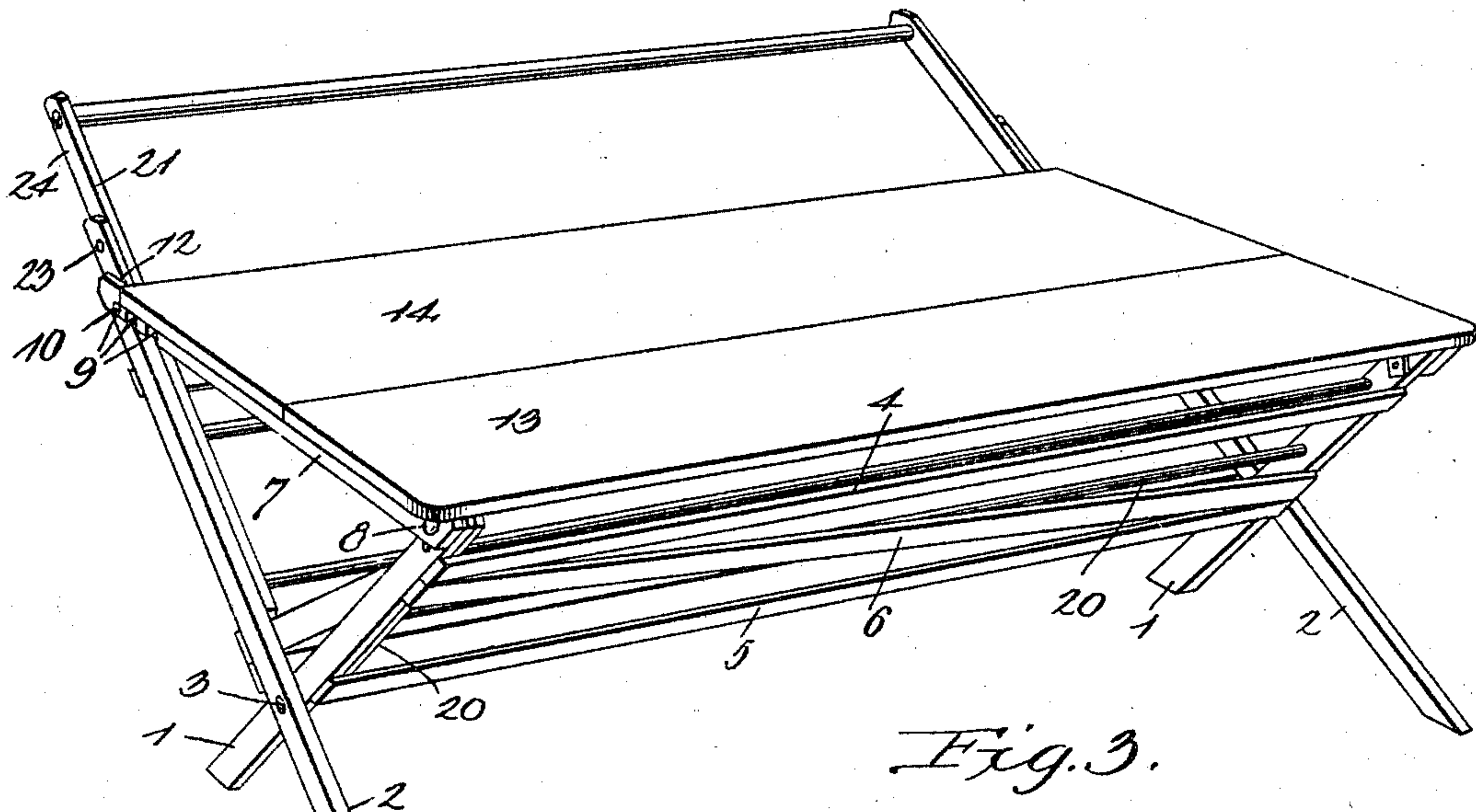


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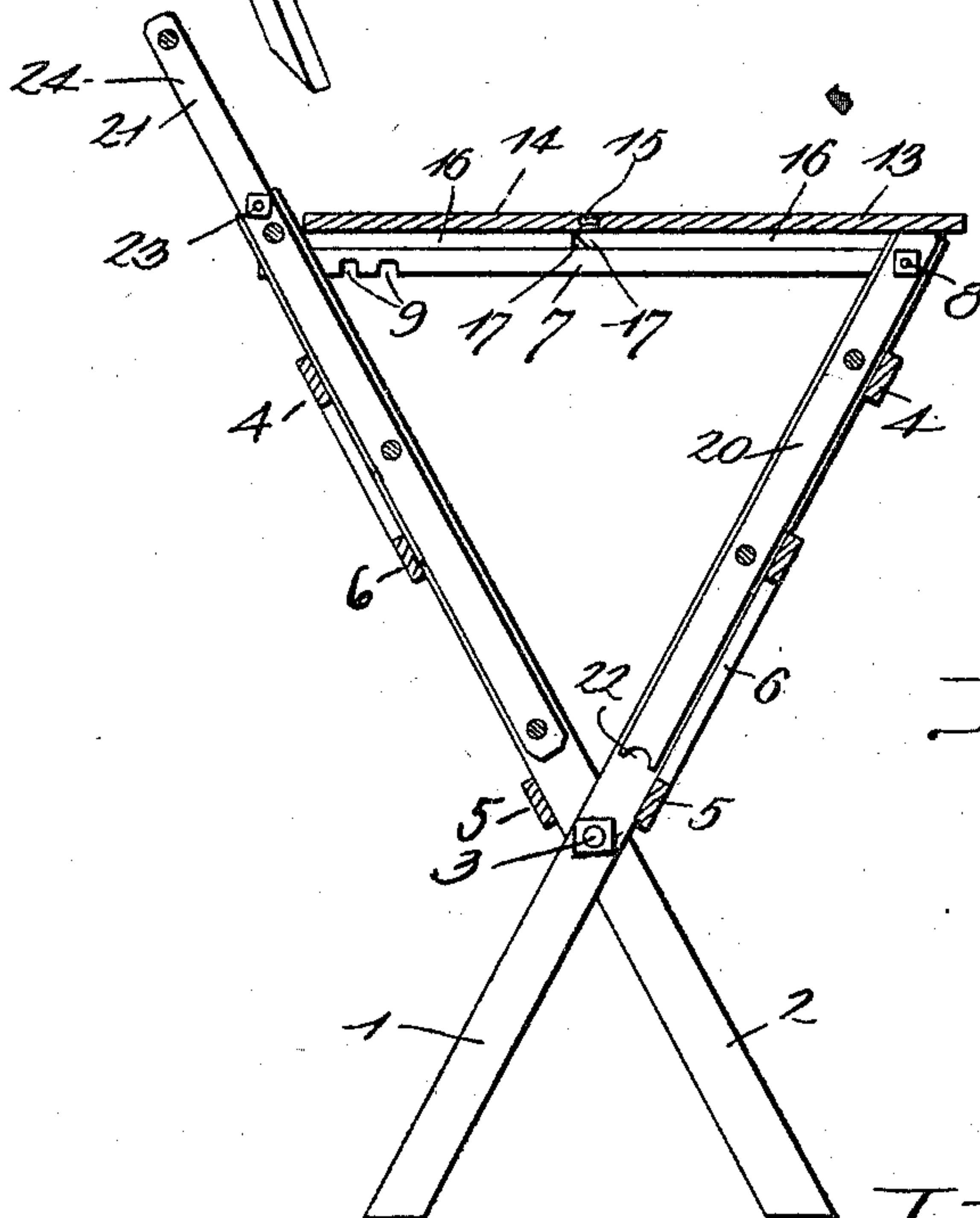


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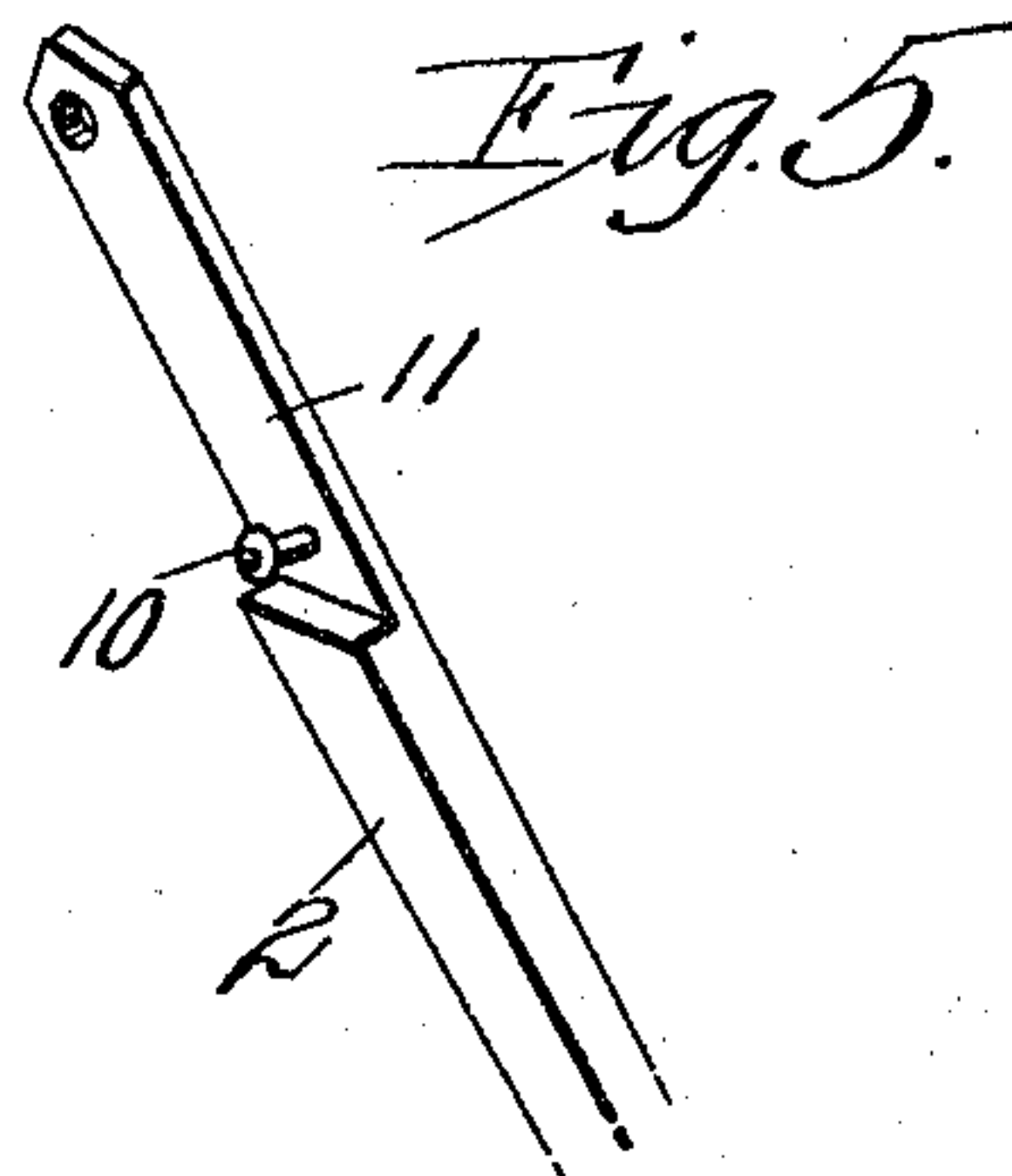


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## COMBINED IRONING-TABLE AND CLOTHES-RACK.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN CARROLL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Canisteo, in the county of Steuben and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Combined Ironing-Table and Clothes-Rack, of which the following is a specification.

The invention relates to a combined ironing-table and clothes-rack.

The object of the present invention is to improve the construction of ironing-tables and clothes-racks and to provide a simple and comparatively inexpensive structure of great strength and durability, adapted to be readily arranged to form a clothes rack or horse and capable of being readily changed therefrom to form either an ordinary table or an ironing-table and clothes-rack.

The invention also has for its object to provide a device of this character which may be compactly folded when not in use and which when in use as an ironing-table will prevent skirts and other garments from touching the floor or other supporting-surface while being ironed.

The invention consists in the construction and novel combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, and pointed out in the claims hereto appended.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a combined ironing-table and clothes-rack, the parts being arranged to form a clothes rack or horse. Fig. 2 is a similar view, the parts being arranged to form an ironing-table and a clothes-rack. Fig. 3 is a perspective view, the parts being arranged to form a kitchen-table. Fig. 4 is a transverse sectional view of the same. Fig. 5 is a detail view illustrating the construction of the reduced upper ends of the legs.

Like numerals of reference designate corresponding parts in all the figures of the drawings.

1 and 2 designate inclined legs, pivoted together by bolts 3 and arranged at the ends of the combined ironing-table and clothes-rack and connected by upper and lower horizontal bars 4 and 5 and inclined braces or bars 6, the braces or bars being oppositely inclined, as clearly shown in Fig. 1. The legs are locked at the desired adjustment by

means of bars 7, pivoted at their front ends by bolts 8 or other suitable fastening devices to the upper ends of the inclined legs 1 and provided at their rear ends with a series of notches 9, which are adapted to receive headed studs or projections 10, consisting of screws or other suitable fastening devices mounted on the upper ends of the legs 2. The upper ends of the legs 2 are recessed or reduced at their outer faces at 11, and the locking-bars are correspondingly recessed at their inner faces at 12 to enable the inner and outer faces of the legs 2 and the locking-bars 7 to be arranged flush with each other. The upper ends of the legs 1 and 2 are adapted to be adjusted toward and from each other by means of the locking-bars, and by this construction the said locking-bars, which are adapted to support table-leaves 13 and 14, may be readily arranged at the desired elevation. The table-leaves, which are connected detachably at their inner adjacent edges by dowel-pins 15 and suitable sockets, are provided near their ends with cleats 16, having recessed overlapped ends 17 and located at the inner faces of the locking-bars, whereby the leaves are held against accidental longitudinal movement on the supporting-frame formed by the pivoted legs and the connecting-pieces. When both leaves are used, as illustrated in Figs. 3 and 4, the device forms a convenient kitchen-table, which may be used for a variety of purposes similar to the ordinary kitchen-table, and it is adjusted in height by the means before described. When the device is used as an ironing-table, one of the leaves—the one having the dowel-pins—is removed and the other leaf is arranged as shown in Fig. 2 and is adapted for ironing skirts and other garments.

In order to prevent skirts and other garments from touching the floor or other supporting-surface and becoming soiled, a fabric lining 18 is arranged within the upper portion of the supporting-frame and is provided at its upper edges with a series of hooks 19, arranged to engage the upper horizontal connecting bars or pieces 4 and adapted to be readily disengaged therefrom when it is desired to remove the lining. After the operation of ironing has been completed the lining is designed to be removed to prevent it from becoming soiled.



A pair of clothes-racks 20 and 21 is provided, and these racks, which are arranged at the front and back of the supporting-frame, are pivoted by bolts to the upper ends of the legs and are composed of longitudinal rods and end bars. The end bars of the front clothes-rack 20 are pivoted to the upper ends of the legs 1 by the said bolts 8 and their upper ends 22 are provided with notches, which are adapted to receive and engage the top rod of the rear rack 21. The side bars of the rear rack are pivoted between their ends by bolts 23 to the upper ends of the legs 2, and the said bolts 23 are located near the lower ends of the side bars of the rear clothes-rack to form short arms 24, which are adapted when the rear rack is swung backward, as illustrated in Fig. 2 of the accompanying drawings, to engage the upper horizontal bar 4 of the legs 2, whereby the rear rack is supported in an inclined position within convenient reach of the operator to enable clothes to be readily hung upon it as they are ironed. When the ironing-board is used, as shown in Fig. 2, the front rack is swung downward and folded within the front portion of the supporting-frame, and it fits between the legs 1, as clearly indicated in Fig. 4 of the drawings. When both leaves of the table are employed, as shown in Fig. 4, the rear clothes-rack is also folded downward and inward within the supporting-frame, and it lies between the upper portions of the legs 2. The racks when thus folded are within easy reach and are adapted to be readily brought into position for use. The supporting-frame and the racks may be conveniently folded by disengaging the locking-bars and swinging the same forward and downward against the upper portions of the legs 1, and this will permit the legs to swing on their pivots, whereby the two sections or members of the supporting-frame may be folded together.

It will be seen that the combined ironing-table and clothes-rack is exceedingly simple and inexpensive in construction, that it possesses great strength and durability, and that it is adapted to be readily arranged to form a kitchen-table, an ironing-table and clothes-rack, or a clothes horse or rack. It will also be seen that it is adapted to be compactly

folded when not in use and that when in use as an ironing-table skirts and other garments are prevented from touching the floor or other supporting-surface.

What I claim is—

1. A device of the class described comprising a supporting-frame composed of two pivoted sections or members, means for holding the sections or members at the desired adjustment, and a pair of racks pivotally mounted on the sections or members at the tops thereof and arranged to engage each other at a point above the supporting-frame to form a clothes-rack, said racks being also arranged to fold within the supporting-frame, substantially as described.

2. A device of the class described comprising a supporting-frame composed of two pivoted sections or members, means for securing the sections or members at the desired adjustment, and a pair of pivoted clothes-racks mounted on the sections or members at the tops thereof and arranged to engage each other above the supporting-frame and adapted to fold downward within the same, one of the racks being pivoted between its ends to form an arm and the latter being arranged to engage the adjacent section, whereby such rack is supported in an elevated position independently of the other rack, substantially as described.

3. A device of the class described comprising a supporting-frame composed of two pivoted sections or members having legs and provided with connecting-bars, locking-bars pivoted to one section and detachably engaging the other section and forming supports arranged to receive table-leaves, and a pair of clothes-racks pivoted to the sections or members at the upper ends of the legs and arranged to engage each other above the frame and adapted also to fold within the same, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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