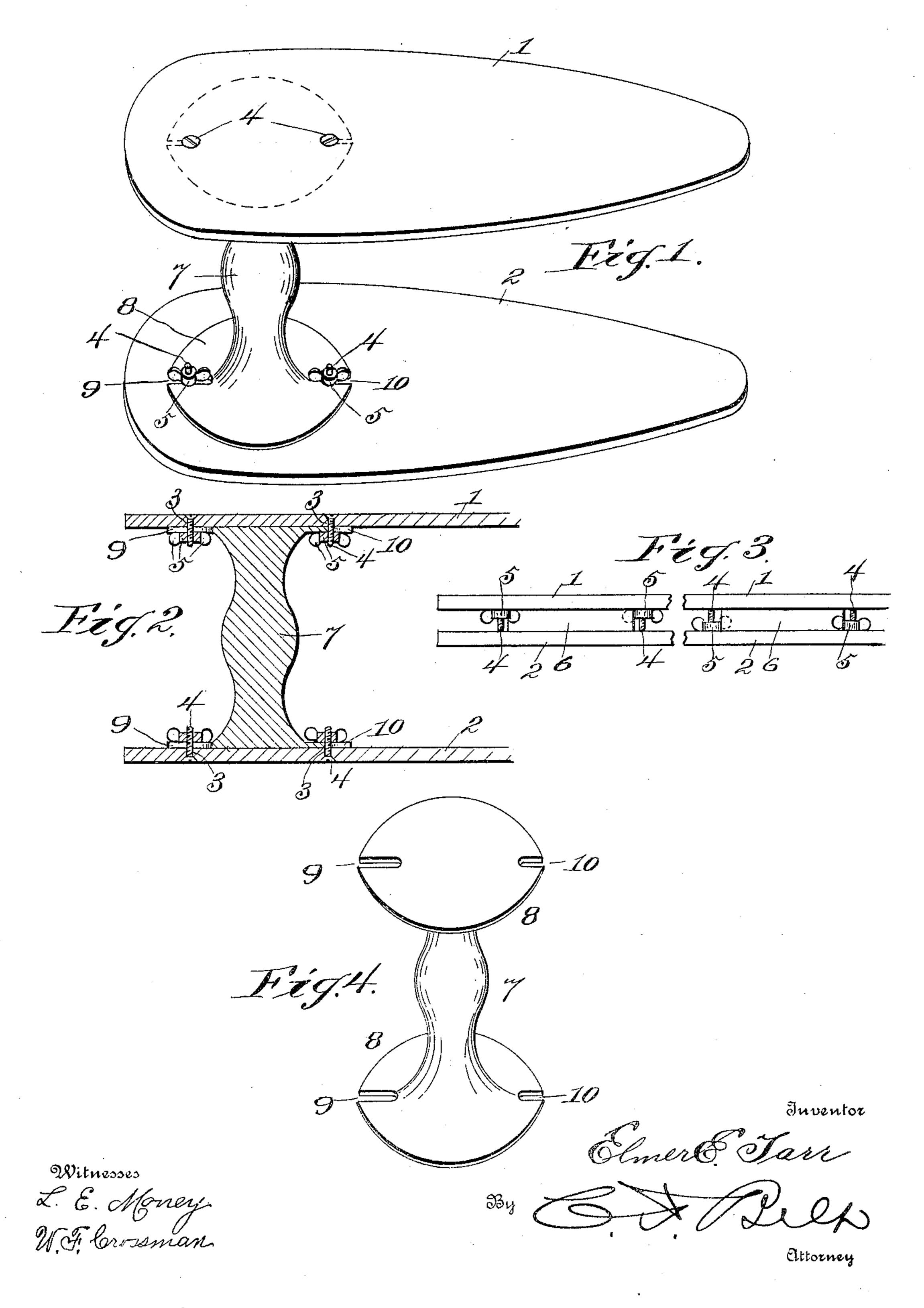
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## KNOCKDOWN IRONING-BOARD.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Elmer E. Tarr, a citizen of the United States, residing at Mount Vernon, in the county of Knox and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Knockdown Ironing-Boards, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to the class of ironing-tables, and pertains especially to such tables or boards for ironing shirts, shirt-waists, and the sleeves of these and other garments.

The object of the invention is to provide a knockdown board of such novel and peculiar construction and arrangement of parts that the latter may be assembled and disassembled in a most expeditious manner, and when assembled for use the parts are rigidly fixed together against accidental turning or displacement, and when disassembled the parts are adapted to lie flat together, affording compactness for storing and shipping.

A further object of the invention is to provide a knockdown ironing or pressing board of simple and inexpensive construction having a coupling-post forming a handle by means of which the board may be conveniently carried, such post being reversible and having slotted end flanges adapted to be engaged by suitable thumb-screws projecting from the inner sides of the boards to effect said coupling.

In the accompanying drawings, forming part of this application, Figure 1 is a perspective view. Fig. 2 is a central longitudinal section. Fig. 3 is a side edge elevation showing the board packed for storing or shipping,

partly broken away. Fig. 4 is a detail per-40 spective view of the coupling-post.

The same reference-numerals denote the same parts throughout the several views of

the drawings.

The board-arms 1 and 2 for supporting the garment to be ironed may be of unequal length and of different shape for convenience in pressing or ironing garments or wearing-apparel of various character, size, and shape; yet the arms may be of the same shape and sength, and in either case the arms are reversible, so that either may be used for ironing. The arms have screw-threaded holes 3 countersunk from the outer side for screw-studs 4, having thumb-nuts 5. The screw-studs are retained by the arms whether the

board is in set-up or knockdown position, and when in the latter position an ordinary block of wood 6 is placed between the nuts of each pair thereof on the boards to prevent the board-surface being injured by the ends 63 of the screws and to form a solid bearing or rest for the boards in packing them together.

The coupling-post 7 has an enlarged central portion which not only strengthens the post, but forms a convenient handle for car- 65 rying the board or adjusting it as desired. Each end of the post is provided with a circular-shaped flange 8, having a deep slot 9 and a short slot 10 opposite the slot 9. The flanges sit flat on the arms and the slots are 70 engaged by the screw-studs for coupling the arms together without removing the thumbnuts or the studs.

In assembling the parts without removing the nuts each flange by means of its long slot 75 is first slid on the outer studs under the outer nuts, the flanges are swung so that the short slot of each flange will be in line with the inner studs, then the flanges are slid in the opposite direction to have the inner studs 8c enter the short slot of each flange with the flanges under the inner nuts, and all of said nuts are screwed down to clamp the flanges to the boards.

Having thus described my invention, what 85 I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A knockdown ironing-board comprising a pair of ironing-arms, a coupling-post having end flanges, each of said flanges hav- 90 ing a pair of slots of unequal depth through the edge thereof, and screw-studs upon which the flanges are adapted to be slid under suitable nuts on the studs.

2. A knockdown ironing-board compris- 95 ing a pair of ironing-arms having countersunk screw-threaded apertures, a coupling-post having a handle portion, flanges formed on the ends of the post having short and long slots to register with the apertures, the 100 thumb-nuts, and the screw-studs fixed in the apertures and adapted to enter the slots without removing the thumb-nuts.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand in the presence of two witnesses.

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