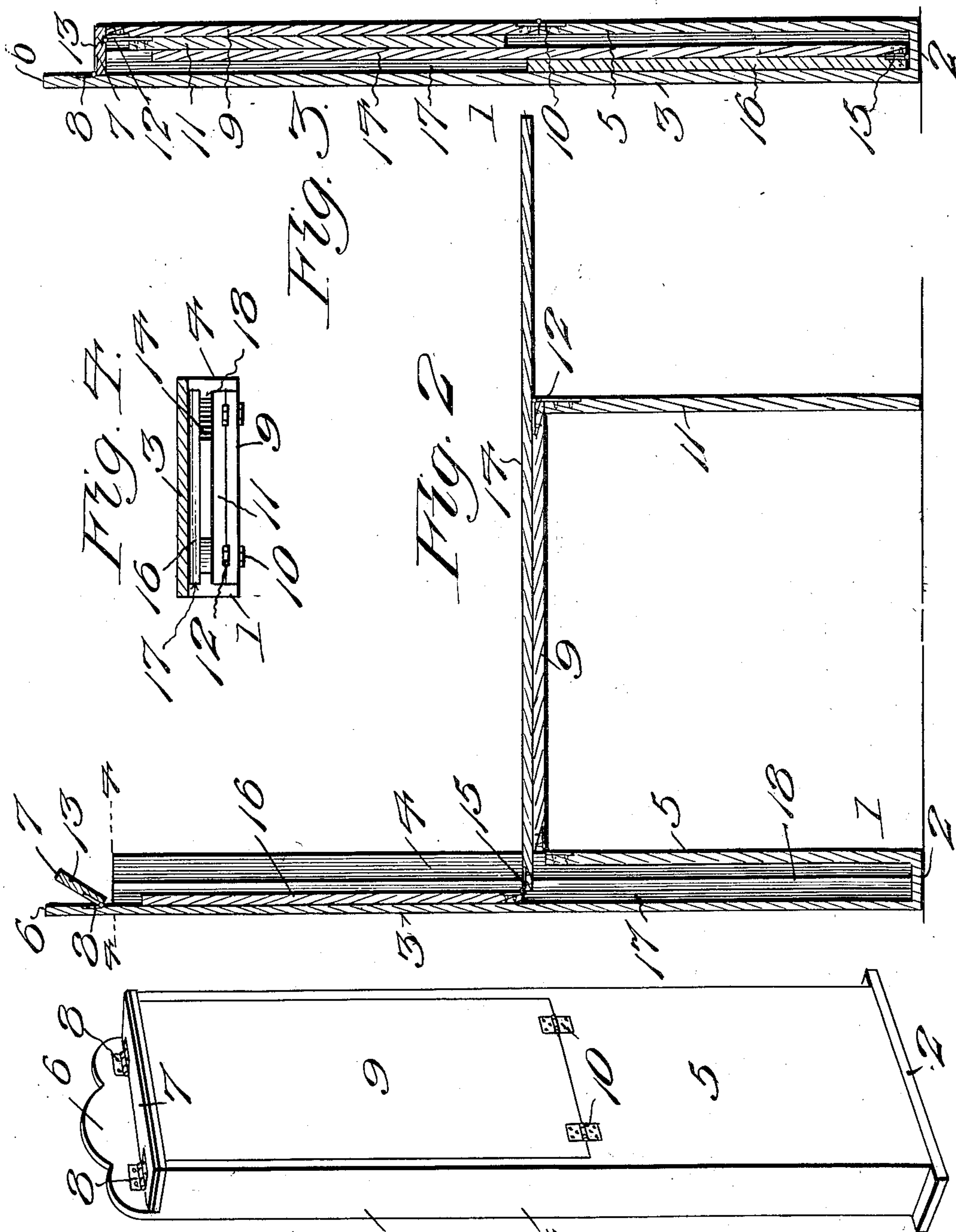


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM D. FREYTAG, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Stillwater, in the county of Washington and State of Minnesota, have invented new and useful Improvements in Ironing-Boards, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in ironing-boards, the object of the invention being to provide a device of this character in which the board is mounted in such a manner as to fold within an inclosing case or cabinet, forming an ornamental article of furniture, the construction being such that the parts of the device may be adjusted to form a shelf, table, or small ironing-board and to adapt the latter for use as a shelf to sustain a long ironing-board and to provide simple and effective means for locking the parts in closed position.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a cabinet ironing-board embodying my invention, showing the parts thereof folded to form a closed cabinet. Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section of the same, showing the ironing-board lowered for use. Fig. 3 is a view similar to Fig. 2 through the closed cabinet. Fig. 4 is a sectional plan view on the line 4 4 of Fig. 2.

The device comprises an inclosing case or cabinet 1, embodying in its construction a base 2, a back wall 3, side walls 4, and a stationary lower front section or wall 5, permanently closing the lower front portion of the cabinet. The rear wall 3 has an ornamental bracket or extension 6 projecting above the side walls and forming a support for a lid or cover 7, hinged or pivoted, as indicated at 8, to the said bracket extension.

The upper half of the front wall or cabinet is open for the outward and inward movement of the folding parts of the device and is adapted to be closed by a combined door and shelf or table 9, connected at its lower edge to the upper edge of the wall 5 by hinges 10, so that it may be moved to a vertical position to close the cabinet or turned down to a horizontal position, as shown in Fig. 2, to form a table or shelf and to serve as a support for the ironing-board. To the upper end of the part 9 is attached a leg-section 11, hinged thereto, as indicated at 12, and adapted to fold down upon the inner face of said part 9 and to depend therefrom when the

said part 9 is projected outwardly from the cabinet to form a leg or support therefor. The hinges 12 are so arranged as to project upward beyond the upper edges of the parts 9 and 11 when said parts are folded and to seat within notches or recesses 13, formed in the lid or cover 7, thus forming a lock to hold the combined shelf and door 9 in closed position.

The ironing-board 14 is hinged at its lower or inner end, as indicated at 15, to the lower edge of a guiding and retaining member 16, the said guiding and retaining member being shown in the present instance in the form of a board having its side edges slidably mounted in guideways 17, formed at the sides of the cabinet between the back wall 3 and beads or strips 18, fastened to the side walls 4. The part 16 not only serves to hold the board 14 adjustably connected with the body of the cabinet, but also acts as a counterweight to permit the board to be readily and conveniently swung to closed position.

It will of course be understood that the part 9 may not only be used as a shelf or table, but also as a small ironing-board, and the mode of unfolding it for use will be readily understood. After the parts 9 and 11 have been adjusted to the position shown in Fig. 2, the ironing-board 14 may be swung outwardly for use by grasping the upper edge thereof and giving an outward and forward pull thereto, whereby the member 16 will slide upward in the guide-groove 17 and permit the board to swing downward until it rests upon and is supported by the combined door and shelf 9. When it is desired to fold the parts within the cabinet, the board 14 is swung upward on its hinges 15 and then forced downward under pressure until it assumes the position shown in Fig. 3, in which it is fully folded within the cabinet-body, but slight pressure being required to secure the folding of said board, owing to the counterweight action of the member 16. After the ironing-board has been swung to closed position, as described, the leg-section 11 is swung outward and over upon the inner or upper side of the part 9 and the latter then swung to closed position and the lid 7 turned down, thus locking the part 9 to hold the cabinet closed.

It will thus be seen that the invention provides an ironing-board which may be folded into the form of an ordinary cabinet and

conveniently adjusted for use and that the device is of comparatively simple structure and may be manufactured at a low cost.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is—

1. A cabinet ironing-board comprising a casing, a hinged door at the front of the casing having a hinged leg-section adapted to fold down upon the inner side thereof, a retaining member slidably mounted within the casing, and an ironing-board pivotally connected with the retaining member and adapted to open outwardly and to be supported by the door.

2. A cabinet ironing-board comprising a casing open at its upper front portion, a combined shelf and door for closing said upper front portion, said shelf being pivotally mounted to swing outward to a horizontal position, a leg-section hinged or pivoted to the upper edge of the combined shelf and door and adapted to support the same and to fold over upon the inner side thereof, and an ironing-board slidably and pivotally connected with the casing and adapted to fold therein and to rest when opened upon the combined shelf and door.

3. A cabinet ironing-board comprising a casing having a closure adjustable outwardly to form a support, and carrying a hinged supporting member, and an ironing-board

slidably and pivotally mounted within the casing and adapted when open to rest upon said closure.

4. A cabinet ironing-board comprising a casing, a slidable counterweight within the casing, an ironing-board hinged or pivoted to said counterweight so as to have vertical sliding and pivotal movement, and means forming part of the cabinet for supporting the board in unfolded position.

5. A cabinet ironing-board comprising a casing having an opening in its upper front portion, and guides upon the sides thereof, a combined table and shelf hinged to the cabinet and adapted to close said front portion and to be turned out to a horizontal position, a leg-section hinged to the upper end of the combined table and shelf adapted to fold over upon the inner side thereof, a counterweight-retaining member slidably mounted in the guideways of the cabinet, and an ironing-board hinged to the lower edge of said counterweight and adapted to be swung outwardly to rest upon the outwardly turned combined table and shelf.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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