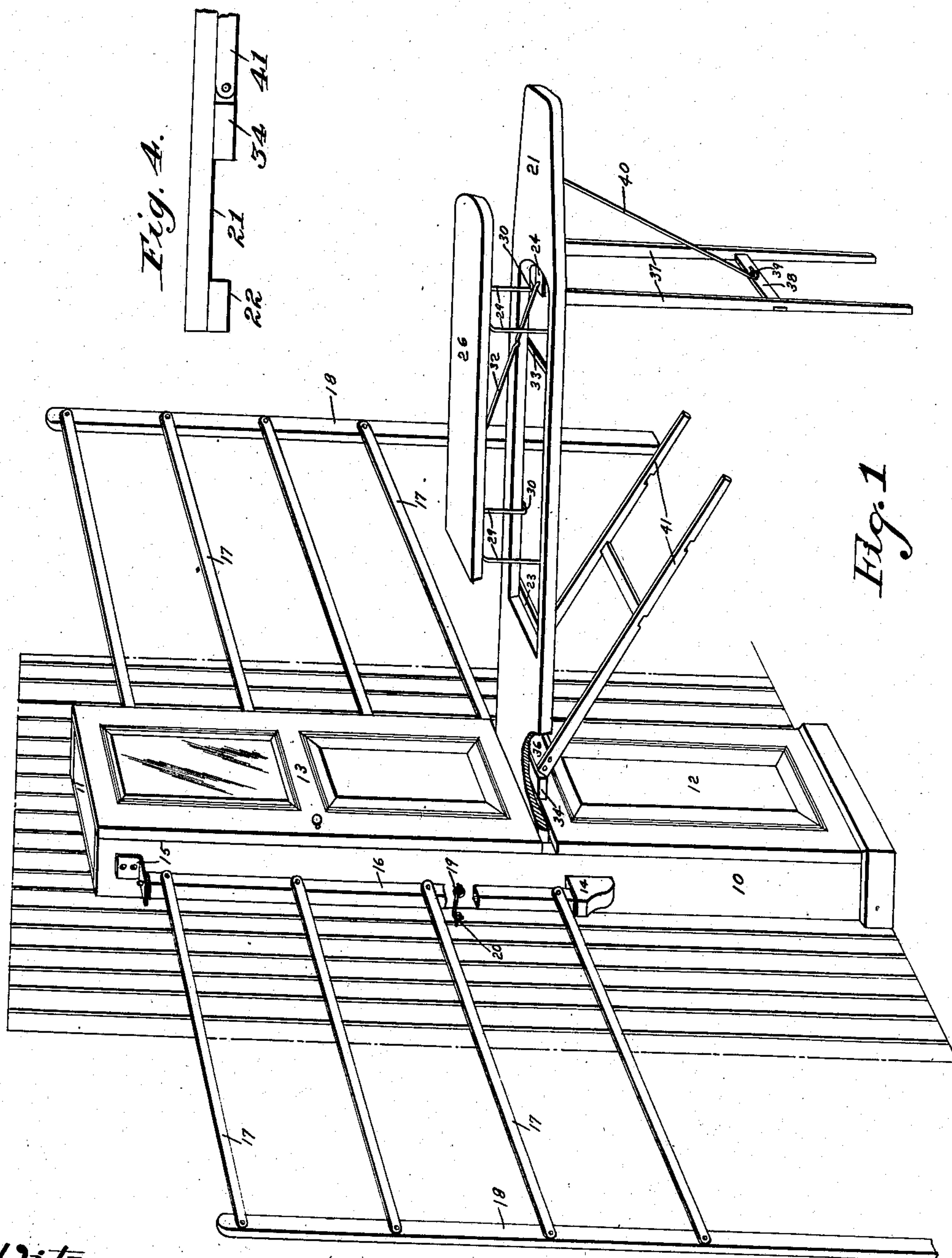


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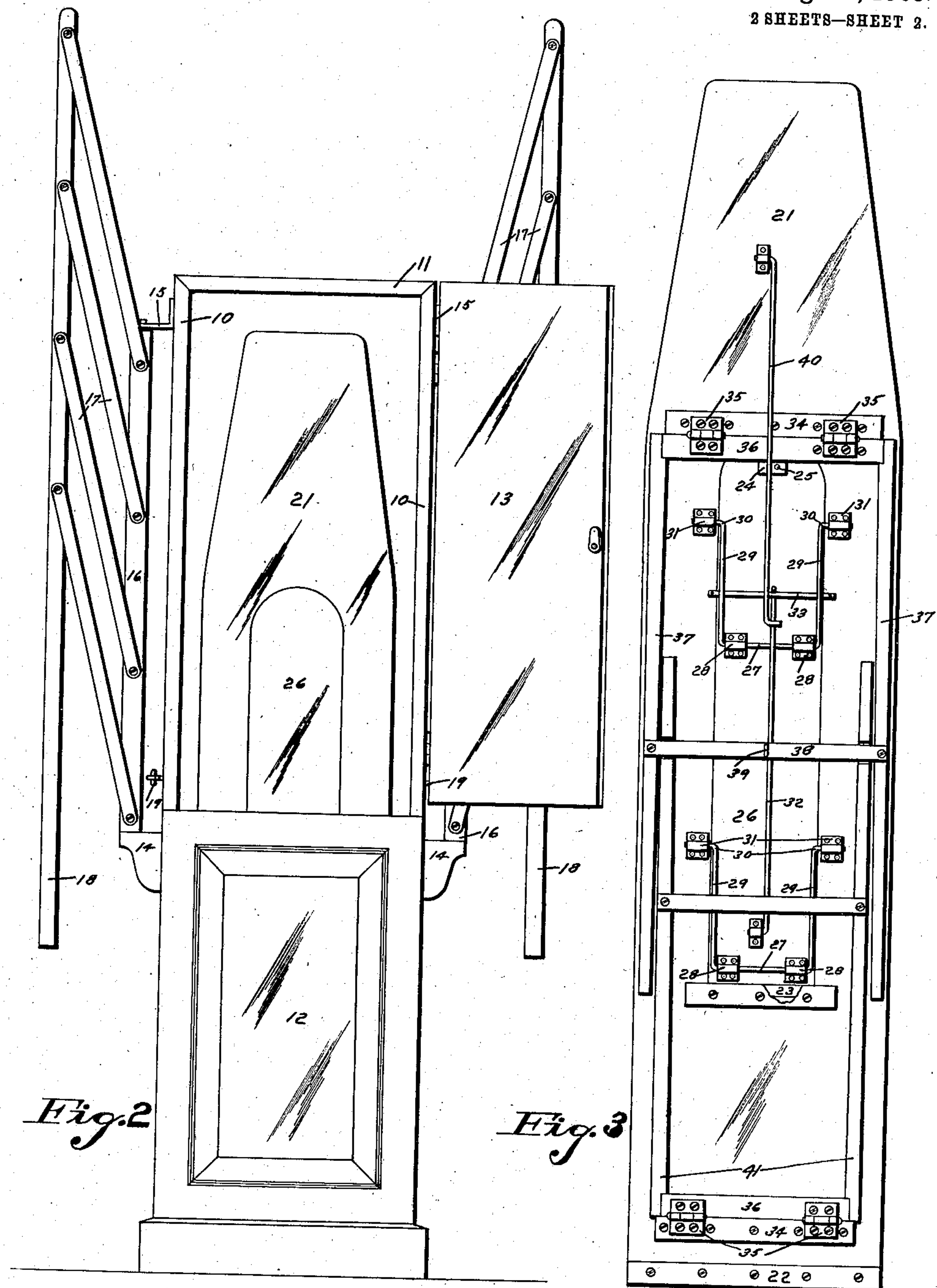
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN W. PETERMAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Exira, in the county of Audubon and State of Iowa, have invented a certain new and useful Ironing-Cabinet, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide an ironing cabinet of simple, durable and inexpensive construction designed to be supported against a wall or other upright support and to contain an ironing board in a folded position and to protect the same from dust and dirt when in said position.

A further object is to provide a sleeve ironing board which in one position has its top flush with the top of the main board, so that the main ironing board may be used in the ordinary way, said sleeve ironing board being so arranged that it may be quickly and easily moved to an elevated position above the main ironing board and firmly supported and held as a sleeve ironing board.

My invention consists in the construction, arrangement and combination of the various parts of the device, whereby the objects contemplated are attained, as hereinafter more fully set forth, pointed out in my claims and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 shows a perspective view of the device in position for use with the sleeve ironing board in an elevated position and the clothes drying frame extended for use. Fig. 2 shows a front elevation of the cabinet with the ironing board in position therein and the door open. Fig. 3 shows an inverted plan view of the ironing board detached. Fig. 4 shows a detail side view of the inner end of the ironing board.

Referring to the accompanying drawings I have used the reference numeral 10 to indicate the sides of the cabinet and 11 the closed top. The lower portion of the cabinet comprises a panel 12 which is fixed in position. Above the panel 12 is a hinged door 13 the lower edge of which is spaced apart from the panel 12 for purposes hereinafter made clear. On each side of the cabinet are two brackets 14 and 15 in which I have mounted an upright 16. Pivoted to each upright is a series of bars 17 and a second upright 18 is pivotally connected with the outer ends of said bars. In this way a clothes drying frame is provided which,

when it is in its extended position, will have its upright 18 supported upon the floor and the bars 17 in horizontal positions. These bars may be extended at any desired angle relative to the cabinet and when in a folded position the uprights 16 and 18 will be adjacent to each other and the entire drying frame will stand close to the side of the cabinet. I also provide a hook 19 on the side of the cabinet to engage an eye 20 placed in a wall for receiving the hook, in this way the cabinet may be firmly and detachably connected to a wall.

The ironing board proper, comprises a body portion 21 of the same size and shape as the ironing boards now in common use. Fixed to its under surface at one end is a strip 22 and formed near the central portion of the main ironing board is an opening of the size and shape of an ordinary sleeve ironing board. Beneath one end of this opening is cross piece 23 projecting a short distance across the opening and fixed to the body 21, and near the other end of said opening is a plate 24 projected under the opening and provided with a small round opening 25. The parts 23 and 24 are designed to hold the sleeve ironing board against downward movement when in said opening. The sleeve ironing board is indicated by the reference numeral 26 and is of the ordinary size and shape and is designed to enter said opening provided for it in the board 21.

I provide for supporting the sleeve ironing board in an elevated position upon the main ironing board as follows: Pivoted to the under surface of the sleeve ironing board are two supporting devices one at each end, each comprising a cross rod pivotally connected with the sleeve ironing board by means of loops 28 said cross rod 27 is provided with two arms 29 at right angles to its body portion and on the ends of the arms 29 are the right angled extensions 30 which enter the loops 31 fixed to the bottom of the ironing board 21.

By means of the device just described it is obvious that the sleeve ironing board may be moved from a horizontal position, flush with the top of the ironing board 21, to a horizontal position above the ironing board 21, as shown in Fig. 1. In order to support the sleeve ironing board in its elevated position I have pivoted to it the rod 32, the free end of which rod is designated to pass through the opening 25 in plate 24 and thus securely

support the sleeve ironing board in its elevated position. When it is desired to move the sleeve ironing board 26 from its elevated position to its normal position within the body 21 it is only necessary to release the rod 32 from plate 24 and in order to prevent said rod from hanging down when released I have provided a cross piece 33 to engage and hold said rod against downward movement.

I have provided for supporting the outer end of the ironing board as follows: Fixed to the under surface of the ironing board 21 is a cross piece 34 and connected to this cross piece, by the hinges 35, is a second cross piece 36 having the legs 37 fixed thereto. These legs are connected with each other by means of a rigid cross piece 38 and I have placed a screw eye 39 in said cross piece which screw eye is for the purpose of receiving a pivoted rod 40, which is connected with the under surface of the body 21, to serve as a brace for said legs when in an upright position. In some instances it is desirable to detach the board from the cabinet and use it independent of the cabinet. For this purpose I have provided a second pair of legs 41 hinged to the opposite end of the board and capable of lying flat against the under surface of the board and of being moved to an upright position.

In practical use and assuming that all of the parts of the ironing board are in position flat against the board, as shown in Fig. 3, then the door 13 of the cabinet may be opened and the board placed in the cabinet as shown in Fig. 2, then when the cabinet door is closed the ironing board will be protected and concealed. When it is desired to use it the operator opens the door of the cabinet and withdraws the board until the cross piece 22 engages the inner surface of the top edge of the panel 12 of the cabinet then when the board is moved to a horizontal position the door may be closed and locked whereupon the inner end of the ironing board will be firmly and immovably supported. Then the legs at the outer end of the board may be moved to a vertical posi-

tion and held therein by the rod 40 and the board is ready for use.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States thereof, is—

1. An ironing cabinet, comprising a lower and an upper panel spaced apart, said upper panel being hinged to the cabinet, an ironing board capable of standing within the cabinet and having a cross piece on one end designed to engage the inner surface of the upper portion of the lower panel when the ironing board is in a horizontal position, said upper door being spaced apart from the lower panel far enough to admit the board between it and the lower panel, and means for supporting the other end of the ironing board in a horizontal position.

2. In a device of the class described, the combination of an ironing board having an opening in its central portion of the size and shape of a sleeve ironing board, a sleeve ironing board designed to fit into said opening, two supports for the sleeve ironing board, each being formed of a metal rod having its central portion pivoted to the sleeve ironing board and having arms at its ends extended at right angles and pivotally connected to the under surface of the ironing board, a rod pivoted to the under surface of the sleeve ironing board, a plate fixed to the under surface of the ironing board and projected under the end of a sleeve ironing board and having an opening therein to receive said rod when the sleeve ironing board is in an elevated position, and a cross piece fixed to the under surface of the ironing board and extended across the opening therein, and in position to receive the said pivoted rod, and hold it in position parallel with the sleeve ironing board when it is detached from said plate, and when the sleeve ironing board is in position in the opening in the ironing board.

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