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Combined Clothes and Quilting Frame.

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Fig. 2

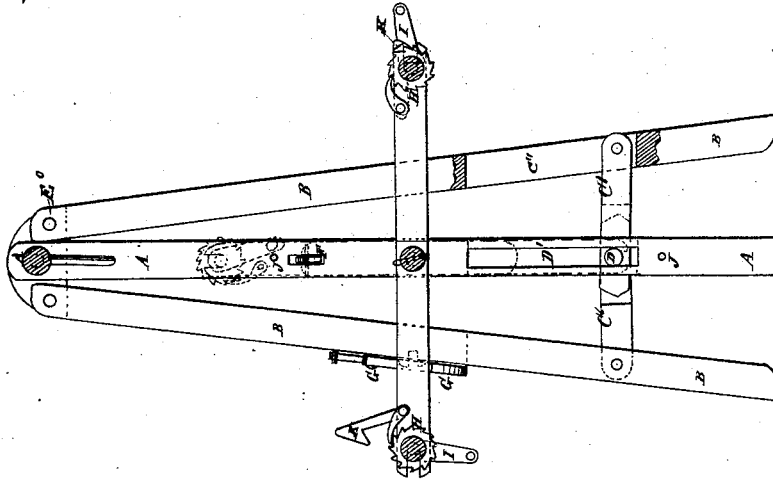
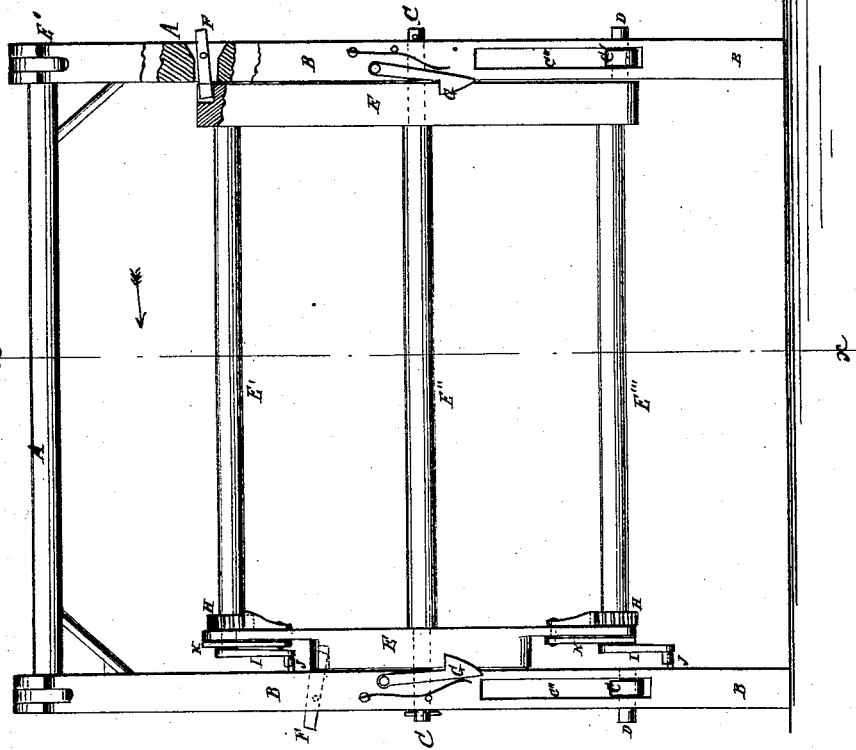


Fig. 1



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IMPROVEMENT IN COMBINED CLOTHES AND QUILTING FRAMES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MELVIN CHURCHILL, of Helvetia, in the county of Waupaca and State of Wisconsin, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Combined Quilting-Frame and Clothes-Rack, of which the following is a specification:

The object of this invention is to furnish a quilting-frame combined with a clothes-rack, the two being connected so as to be used for either purpose when required, so that they may be folded into a small space for storage, transportation or when not in use; and consists in the construction and arrangement of parts hereinafter described.

In the drawing, Figure 1 represents a side elevation, showing the quilting-frame turned up or parallel with the central stands or frame. Fig. 2 is a vertical section of Fig. 1, taken on the line *x x*, looking in the direction indicated by the arrow.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A A represent two central stands or upright frame, to which the quilting-frames E are pivoted, as seen at C C. B B are two brace-stands, which are pivoted to the top of the central frame A, as seen at E, and are connected with the central uprights below the quilting-frame by the pivoted tongues C' C'. These tongues lap past each other, and are confined to the central stand by the pin D. In folding the stands together the pin D works up in the slot D', and the tongues work into the slots C'' in the brace-stands, so that the three stands at each end are adjusted in contact with each other. The quilting-frame consists of two end pieces and the three longitudinal bars E' E'' E'''. E'' is the pivot-bar, and E' and E''' are revolving bars, which are turned by cranks I I, and held in position by the ratchets and

pawls H H. K K are hooks, pivoted to the end piece E, which serve to hold the outer bars in the slotted ends of the end piece. These outer bars are arranged so as to be taken out for attaching the quilt, and are then put back and rolled from one bar to the other as the quilting progresses. The quilting-frames are held in a horizontal position by means of pins in one of the brace-stands, and by the spring-hook G on the other brace-stand.

When the quilting-frame is not in use, and is folded to use as a clothes-rack, it is turned on the pivot C to a position parallel with the upright frame, where it is fastened by means of the buttons F F. J J are pins in the central stand, which prevent the cranks I from being turned when the frame is in this position.

The quilting-frame may be used as a clothes-drier when it is arranged in a horizontal position, as may be desired.

When the combined article is folded up for storage the brace-stands are brought up in contact with the central stand A, as before described, the quilting-frame remaining in the position seen in Fig. 1

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

The slotted stands A B and pivoted tongues C' C', combined with pivoted quilting-frames E, having pivot-bar E'' and revolving bars E' E''', the buttons F, pawls H, cranks I, pins J, and hooks K, being arranged and applied as and for the purpose specified.

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