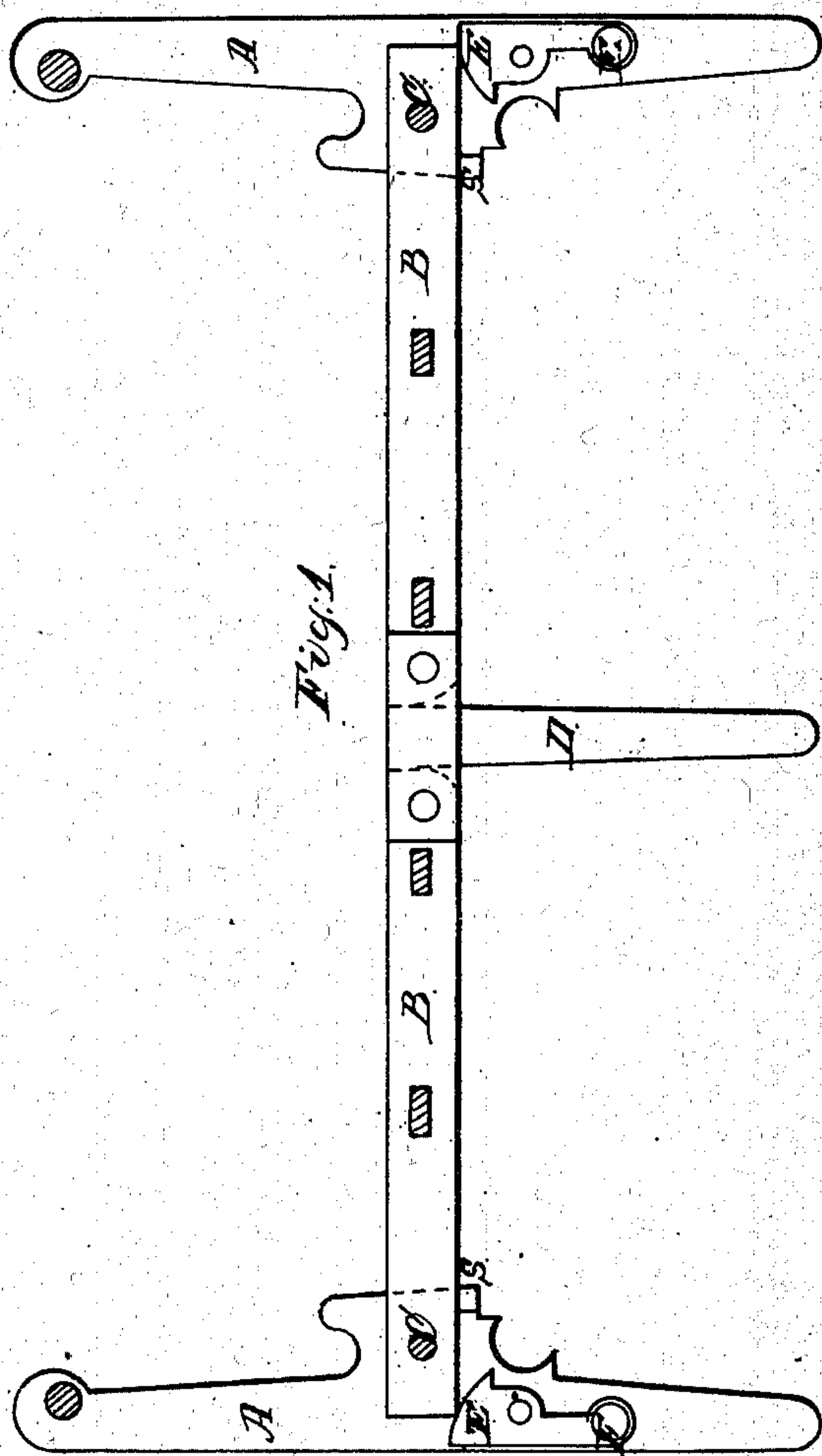
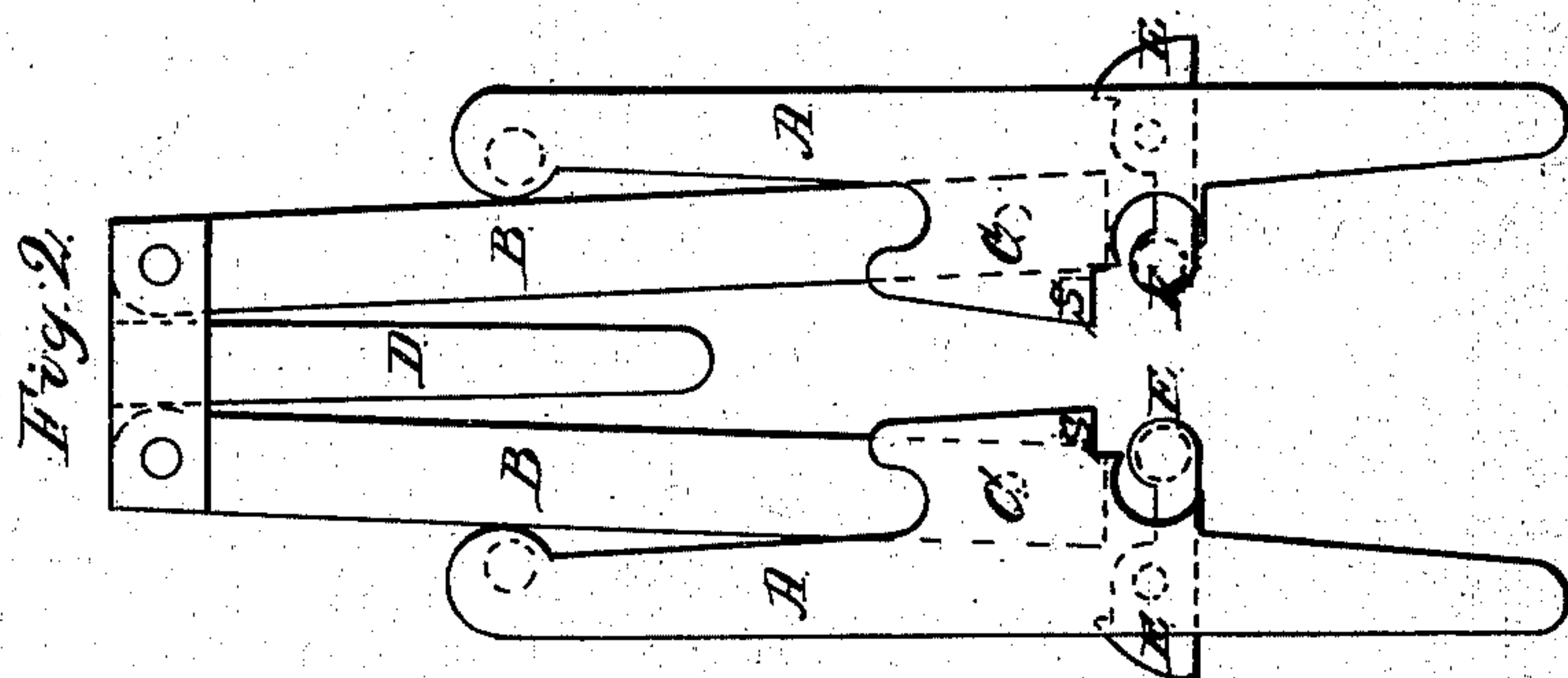


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN P. KOCH, of New York, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Folding Bedsteads; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

10 Figure I represents a longitudinal section of a bedstead when unfolded ready for use, and Fig. II shows the same when folded up.

15 The nature of my invention consists in the combined operation of an eccentric cam and shoulder, both situated below the rail, for the purpose of securing the side rails in their proper place, and at the same time to relieve the pin upon which the side rail 20 turns, when the bedstead is in an unfolded position.

25 A, are the feet of the bedstead to which the rails B are attached by means of pins, C, in the usual manner, and capable of turning on the same, for the purpose of folding the bedstead together, when not in use.

30 D is a foot in the middle of the bedstead to which the rails are likewise jointed, and which supports the center of the same when unfolded and in use.

s, is a small projection or shoulder fast to the inner side of the bedposts A upon which the rails rest when unfolded.

E is an eccentric cam turning on a pin, p, and operated by the lever F. 35

When the bedstead is unfolded the rails B will come to rest upon the shoulders or projections, s, and then the eccentric E is brought into an upright position and forced under the end of the rails B so as to fasten 40 and support the same, and at the same time take the strain off the pins, C, on which the rails turn.

I do not claim a bedstead which may be folded together, nor do I claim a shoulder 45 to support the rail when unfolded, but

What I claim as my invention and desire to secure by Letters Patent is—

The combined arrangement of the shoulder, s, and eccentric, E, both situated below 50 the rails and inside the bedstead to secure the side rails in their proper place when the bedstead is unfolded, and at the same time to relieve the pins, C, of the strain in the manner and for the purpose substantially as 55 specified.

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