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IMPROVED SOFA, CONVERTIBLE INTO A TABLE, TRUNK, COT, &c.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN C. HALL, of Cincinnati, Hamilton county, Ohio, have invented a new and useful Convertible Army Cot or Sofa-Bedstead; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making part of this specification. The purpose of this invention is to provide for the use of persons camping out or occupy. ing confined apartments an article of furniture that may be readily converted into the several forms of settee or sofa, chest, sleepingcot, &c. Figure 1 represents the article in the form of a settee or sofa, as well as of a traveling trunk or chest. Fig. 2 is the same in the form of a cot or couch. Fig. 3 represents the table form of the article. Fig. 4 is the desk form thereof. A is a box formed of two halves, a a', which part diagonally of the box and are hinged (E) together at one of the longitudinal corners, so as (when desired) to open in form of Fig. 2 for sleeping purposes, or, being reversed, to serve as a table, as in Fig. 3. The back BB' of the settee consists of two

similar bows hinged (F) to each other, which in their extended condition (see Fig. 2) form the bed-bottom.

Legs C, hinged within the box A, serve, when desired, to give a convenient elevation to the table.

Casters D may be provided, which may be removed when the device is to be used as a table. The sockets d of the casters D may receive the dowels of a pair of common rockers. (See dotted lines in Fig. 1.) Inverted and partially extended the device becomes a very convenient writing-desk, as shown in Fig. 4, the projecting portion G' of seat G serving as a ledge. I claim as new and of my invention— The arrangement of box A a a', seat G, ledge G', hinges E, and hinged and folding back B B'F, the whole forming a convertible cot, settee, desk, and table, as described. In testimony of which invention I hereunto set my hand.

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