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Fig. 1.

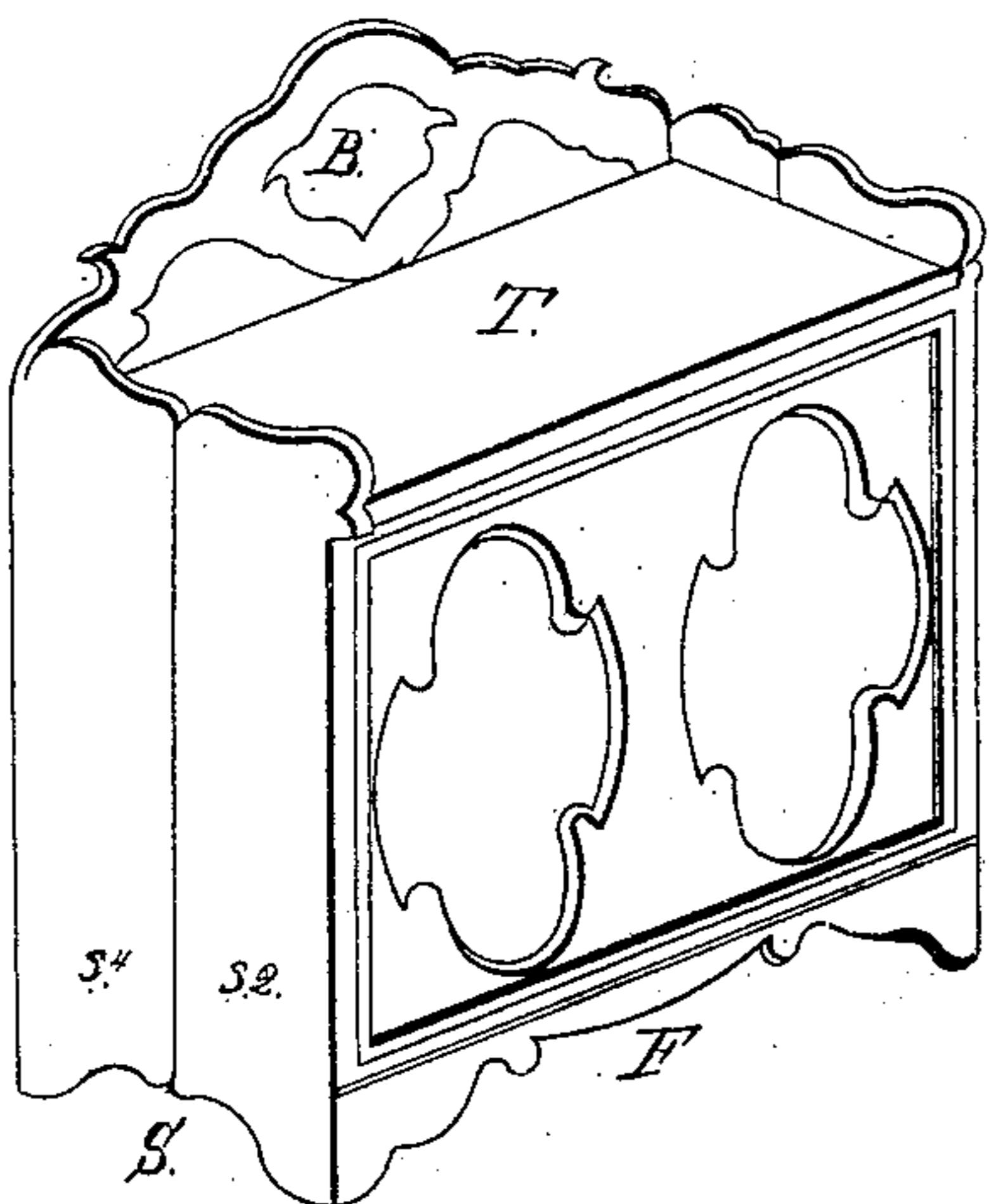


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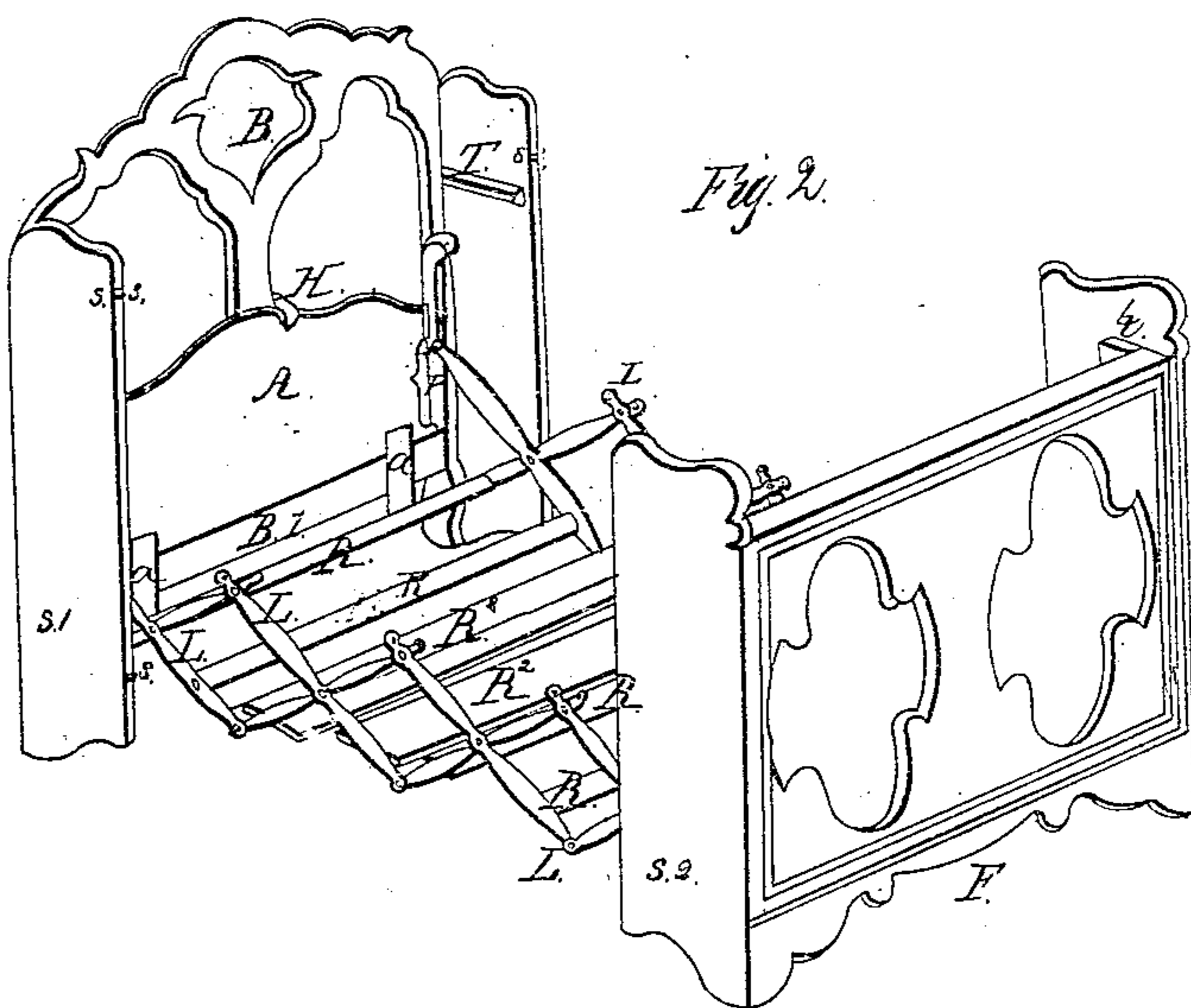


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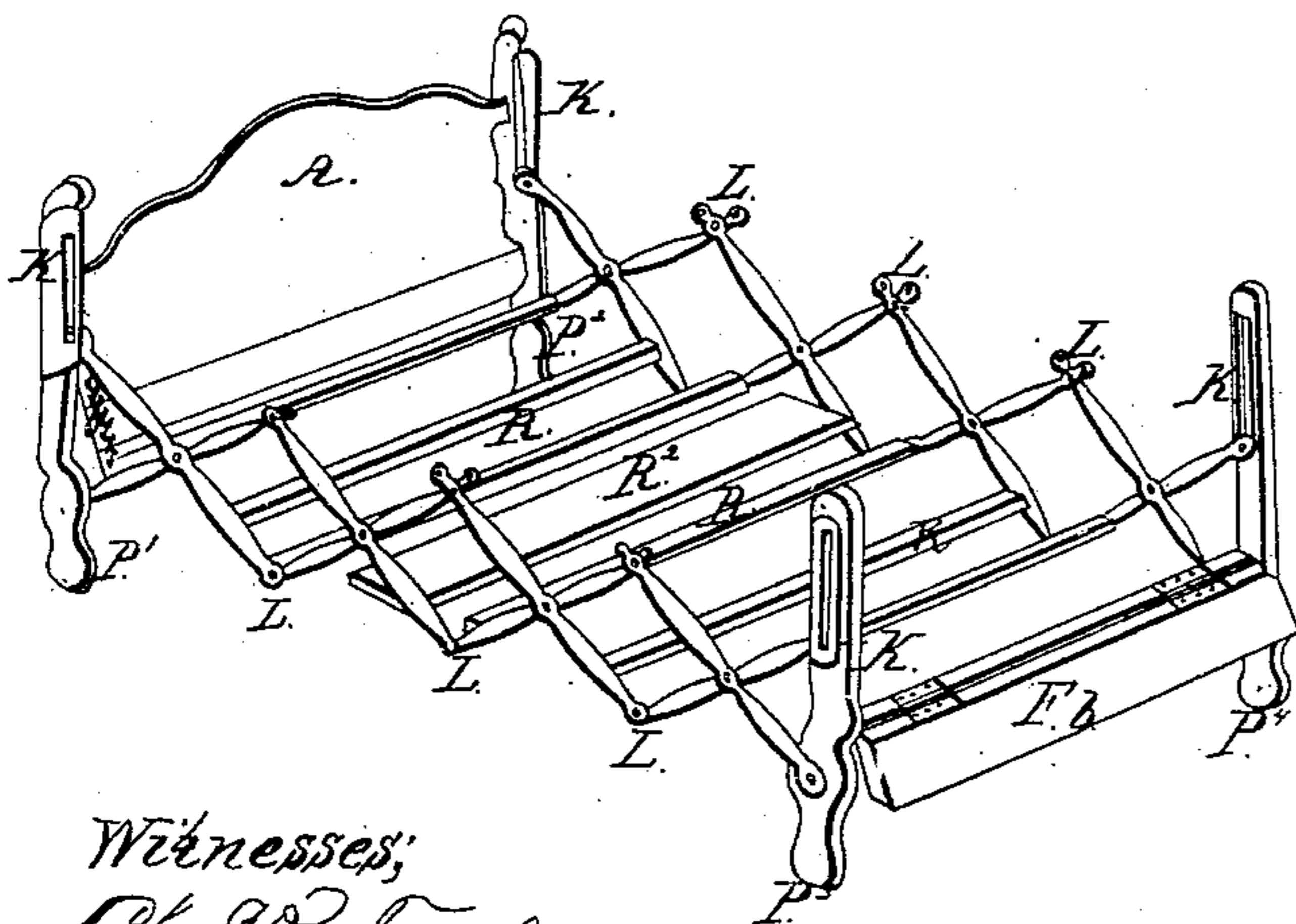
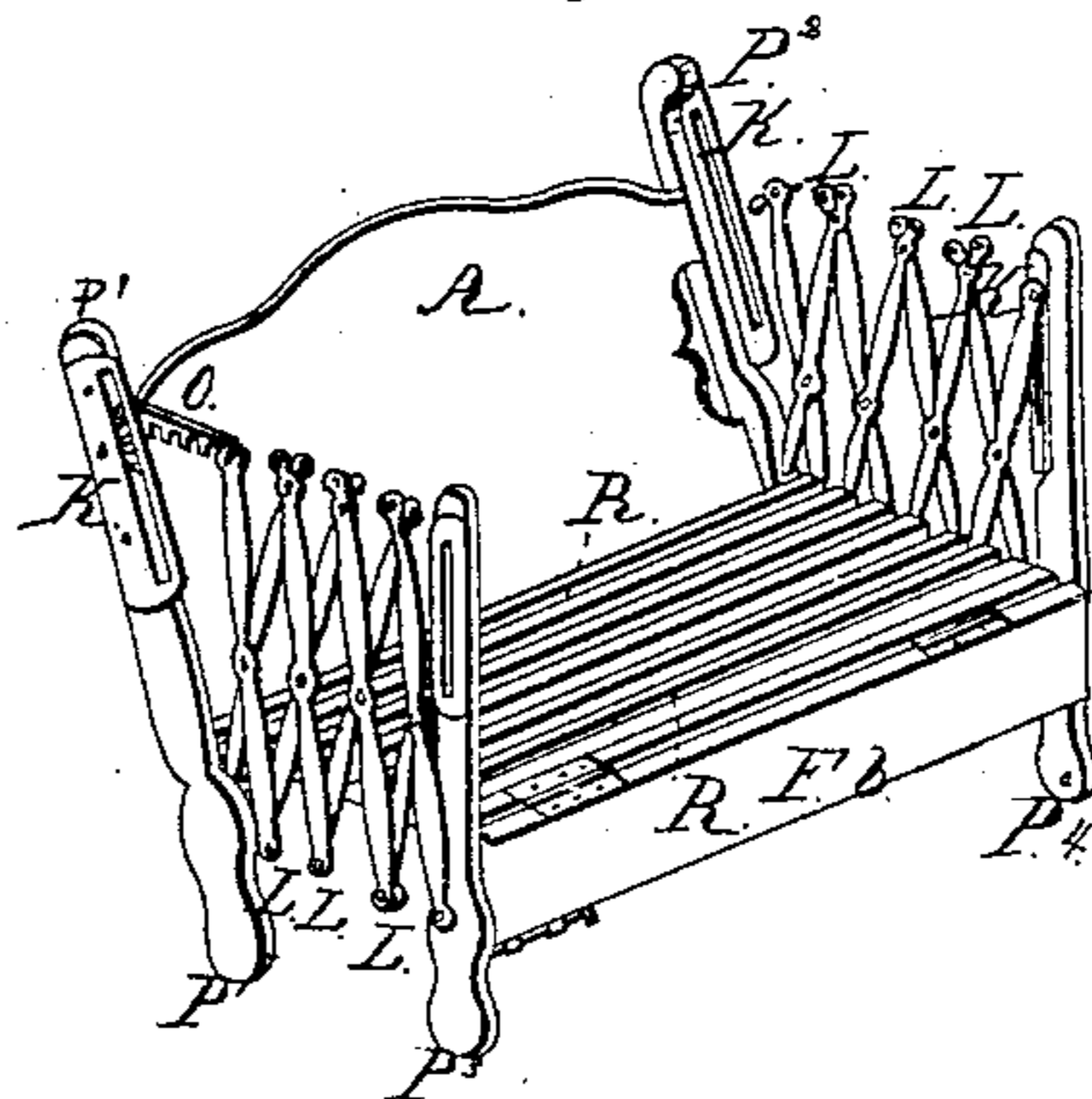


Fig. 4.



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IMPROVED EXTENSION-BEDSTEAD.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANTONI ISKE, of the city of Lancaster, in the county of Lancaster and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and improved mode of constructing convertible extension cribs and bedsteads with or without sideboard adjustment; 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.

Figure 1 shows the bed or crib closed up, with the loose top T laid on, forming in appearance a sideboard or dresser. Fig. 2 shows the same extended, the bedstead or crib attached to the front and rear *s* 1 and *s* 2 of the sideboard. Fig. 3 shows the bedstead or crib removed from the sides *s* 1 and *s* 2 extended. Fig. 4 shows the same closed up with back or head-board A inclined outward, forming a lounge or settee.

The object of this improvement is to obviate the unsightly appearance of a crib or bedstead in a sitting-room during the day-time, besides economizing the room, as well as to adapt it for children or adults, accordingly as the same is more or less extended from a settee to a crib or full-length bedstead. The pivoted cross-pieces are not new, having been employed in various devices by myself in my extension-table, fire-escapement, &c.

Fig. 2 show the cross-slats L affixed to a head and foot board, A and F *b*, Fig. 3, set within the front F and back B of the external sideboard, Fig. 1, held by cleats *a a* on a cross-rail, B 1, Fig. 2.

S S show the pins on the edges of the sides *s* 1, fitting into corresponding holes in the edge of the sides *s* 2.

t, Fig. 2, shows the ledge for supporting the loose top T, Fig. 1, when the sides are closed up.

R represents the cross-rails, affixed to the folding slats at any desired point for the support of the mattress. These cross-rails R may be round or flat, as shown by R 2, affixed by means of a screw-pivot in the ends, which will allow them to be turned up edgewise in closing up. These cross-slats may be affixed directly to the front and rear of the sideboard

without a separate head or foot board, when desired for a crib or bedstead with the ornamental sideboard adjustment. By affixing the cross-slats L to a head-board, A, by means of a movable pin entering the slotted plates K, of which there is one to each post or side of the dresser, in which the heads of the slats slide up and down in extending or closing the slats. By withdrawing the pins above, the head-board A can be inclined outward and held in that position by the toothed or ratchet plate *o*, Fig. 4; or, by affixing the head-board A by means of hinges on the cross rail, similarly as shown by the foot-board F *b*, it can be inclined independently of the posts P 1 and P 2, and affixing the ratchet-plate *o* onto the post P 1 to secure it when so inclined. As all the cross-rails form a level seat, when closed, as shown in Fig. 4, it answers for a settee or lounge adapted for convalescents, and readily convertible into a bedstead.

The drawings show the construction, and the operation and various adjustments are readily understood and require no further description.

As intimated, I do not claim the cross-slats L, held by pivots at those points, as shown, but rather their application, when used in the manner and for the purpose shown, connected with the head and foot board, or in place thereof the front and rear sideboard casing, or both combined, as set forth. In other words,

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

1. The employment of pivoted cross slats L, in combination with the head and foot board of a bedstead, A and F *b*, or their equivalent, the front and rear portions of a sideboard, B and F, with their sides *s* 1 and *s* 2, and loose top T, made and arranged substantially as shown, with the slotted plates K.

2. The ratchet *o*, in combination with the affixed or hinged head-board A, cross slats L, and rails R, when arranged substantially in the manner shown, for the purpose specified.

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