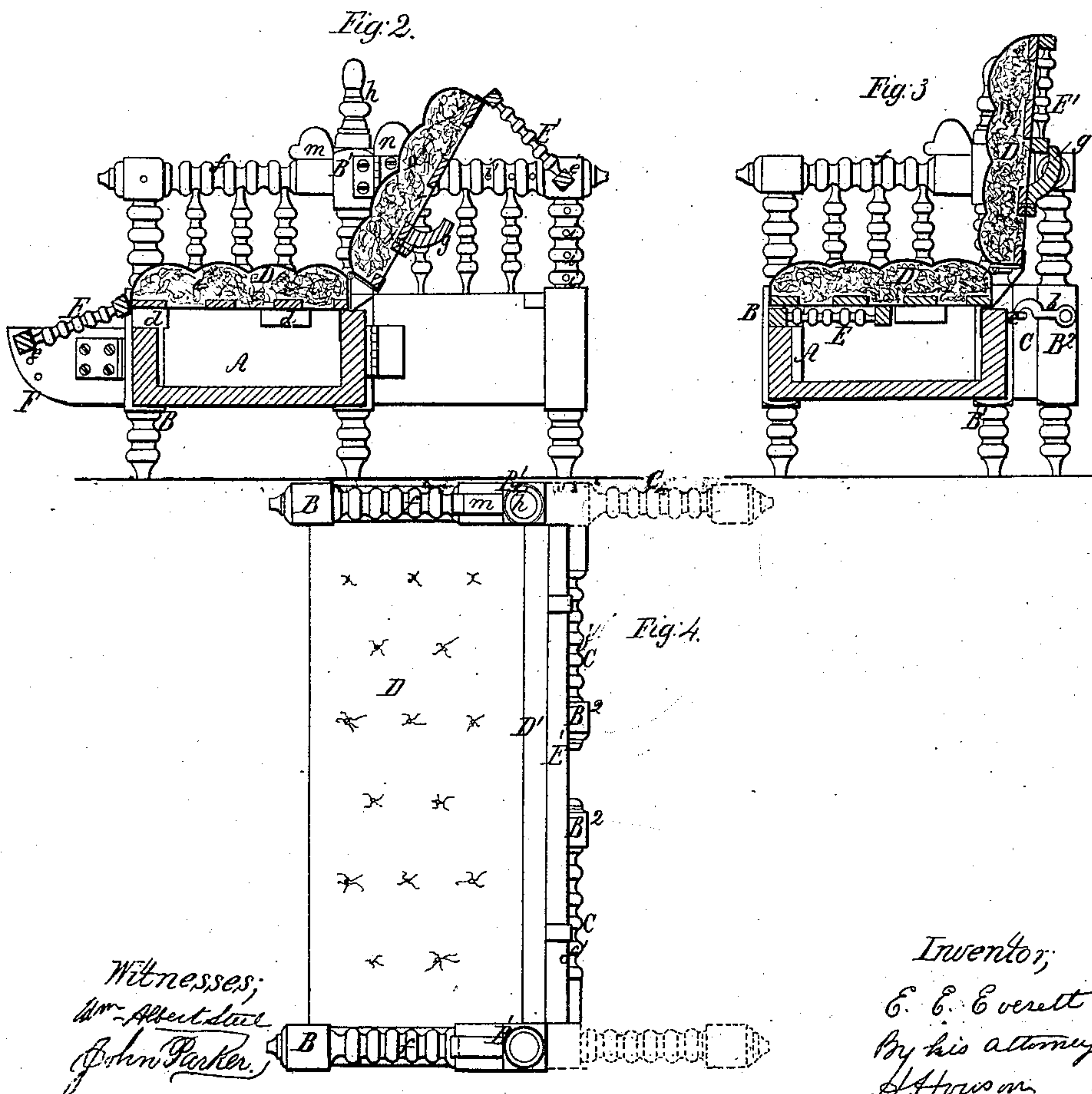


*Sofa Bedstead,*

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## IMPROVED SOFA AND CRIB.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, E. E. EVERITT, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, have invented an Improved Combined Crib and Sofa; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

My invention consists of the combination of a box or frame and certain adjustable frames and cushions, the whole being constructed and arranged, as fully described hereinafter, so that by adjusting the said frames and cushions either a sofa or a crib may be formed.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation.

On reference to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, Figures 1, 2, and 3 are sectional elevations of my improved combined sofa and crib, and Fig. 4 is a plan view of Fig. 3.

A is an oblong box or frame, the sides of which are secured at their ends to the posts or standards B B B' B', each post B being connected near the top to the opposite post, B', by an ornamental rail, *f*.

To each post B' is hung a frame, C, a post, B<sup>2</sup>, at the outer end of which is similar to the post B. On the inside of each frame C is a projection, *a*, and at the side of each post B<sup>2</sup> is a hook, *b*, which is adapted to a staple, *c*, at the adjacent side of the box A.

On projections *d d* at the ends of the box A rests a cushion, D, which is secured to a suitable frame, and to the rear edge of this cushion is hinged a similar cushion, D', also secured to a frame. Both cushions are connected to the box A, but so that their outer edges can be elevated to any required extent.

To the outer edge of the cushion D a frame, E, is so hinged that it can be turned up against the under side of the cushion-frame, as shown in Fig. 3, or outward at right angles to the cushion, as shown in Fig. 1, and at each end of the frame E is a bolt, *e*, which is adapted to an opening in the adjacent post B and to openings in a leaf, F, hung to the front side of the box A.

To the cushion D' is hinged a frame, E', similar to the frame E, bolts *e'* at the ends of the frame being adapted to openings *i* in the posts B<sup>2</sup> and to openings *i'* in the upper rails, *f'*, of the frames C.

To the frame of the cushion D' is secured a button, *g*, which serves to fasten the frame E' in its position when turned back against the cushion, as shown in Fig. 3.

At the upper end of each post B' is an ornamental projection, *h*, and on each of the upper rails, *f*, near the post B', is an ornamental projection or block, *m*.

On the rails *f'* of the frames C are ornamental blocks *n*, similar to the blocks *m*, which are so secured to the rails as to be detachable therefrom, for a purpose described hereinafter.

When it is desired to have a crib or bedstead, the frames C C' are turned out to the position shown in Fig. 1 and in dotted lines Fig. 4, the cushion D' is lowered until it rests on the projection *a* of the frames C, and both frames E E' are turned upward to the position shown in Fig. 1, when they are secured by the bolts *e e'*, after which the blocks *n n* are affixed to the rails *f' f'*, and suitable bed-clothing is placed on the cushions, when the crib will be ready for use.

When it is desired to form a lounge, the cushion D' is elevated and the frame E' is turned downward, so that the bolts *e'* may be introduced into the openings *i* or *i'*, the frame being thus secured so as to support the cushion in its elevated position. The leaf F is then turned out at right angles to the box A, and the frame E is brought to the required inclined position and secured by passing the bolt *e* into the adjacent opening in the leaf.

When a sofa is required, the bed-clothing is deposited in the box A, the frames E E' are turned up and secured against the under sides of the cushions, the leaf F is turned back, the cushion D' is elevated nearly at right angles to the cushion D, and the frames C are turned in toward the box A and secured by the hooks *b*, the detachable blocks *n* being removed and deposited in the box, in order that the lower rail of the frame E' may rest on the upper rails, *f' f'*, of the frames C.

A small crib for use during the day may be readily formed by turning out the frame E to the position shown in Fig. 1 while the remaining parts are in the positions shown in Fig. 3.

A sofa-crib of the above description is comparatively cheap and very simple in its construction, not liable to get out of order, and may be readily and quickly adjusted by those who would be incapable of arranging a more complicated apparatus.



Without confining myself to the precise construction and arrangement of the parts herein described,

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

1. The combination of the box or frame A, the adjustable frames C C, and cushions D D', the whole being constructed and arranged for joint operation substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. The combination of the cushion of a sofa-bedstead and a frame, E, hung to the cushion so as to be turned beneath or outward at right

angles to the latter, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

3. The combination of the above and a leaf, F, or equivalent device, for supporting the frame E at any required angle to the cushion, for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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