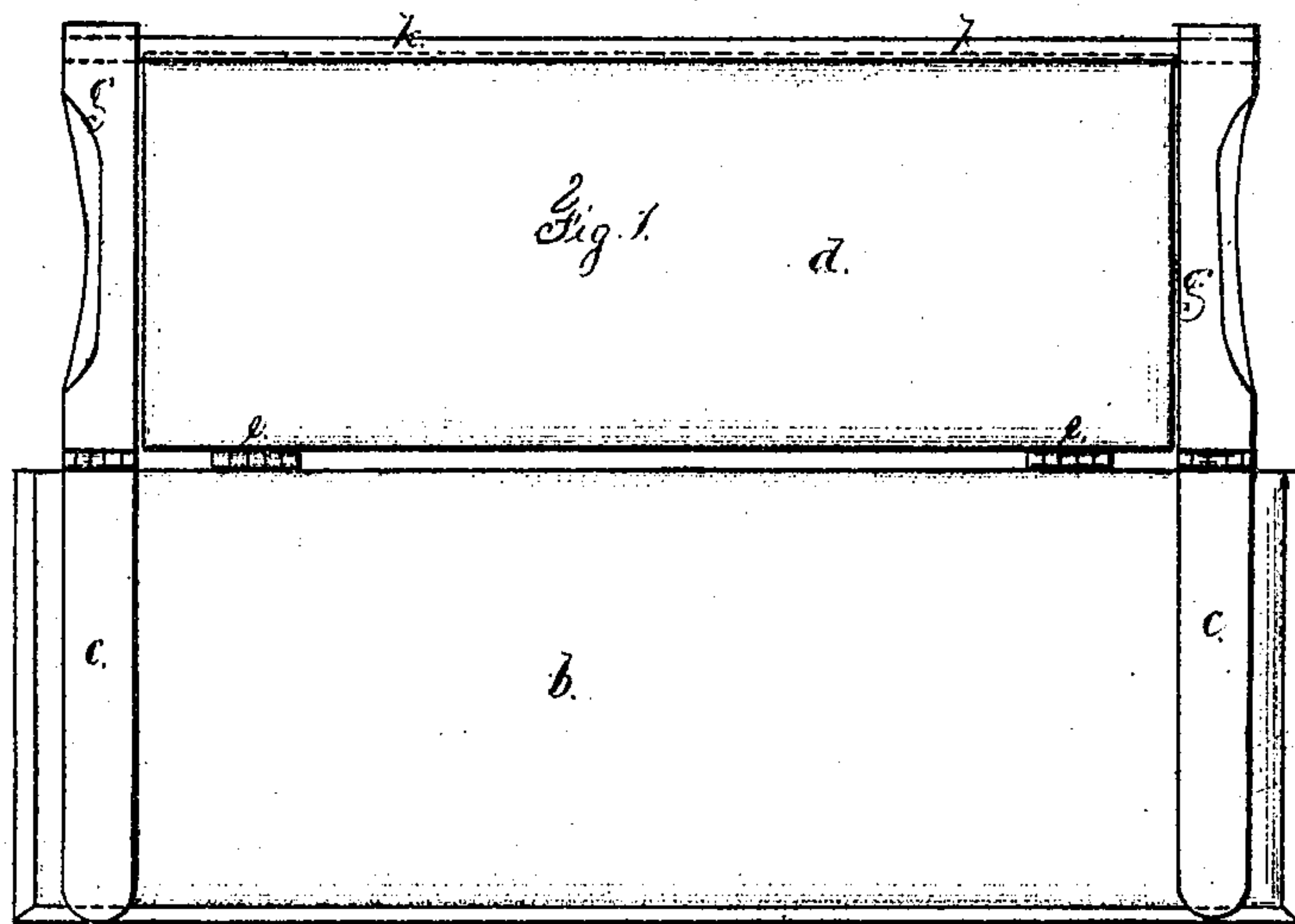
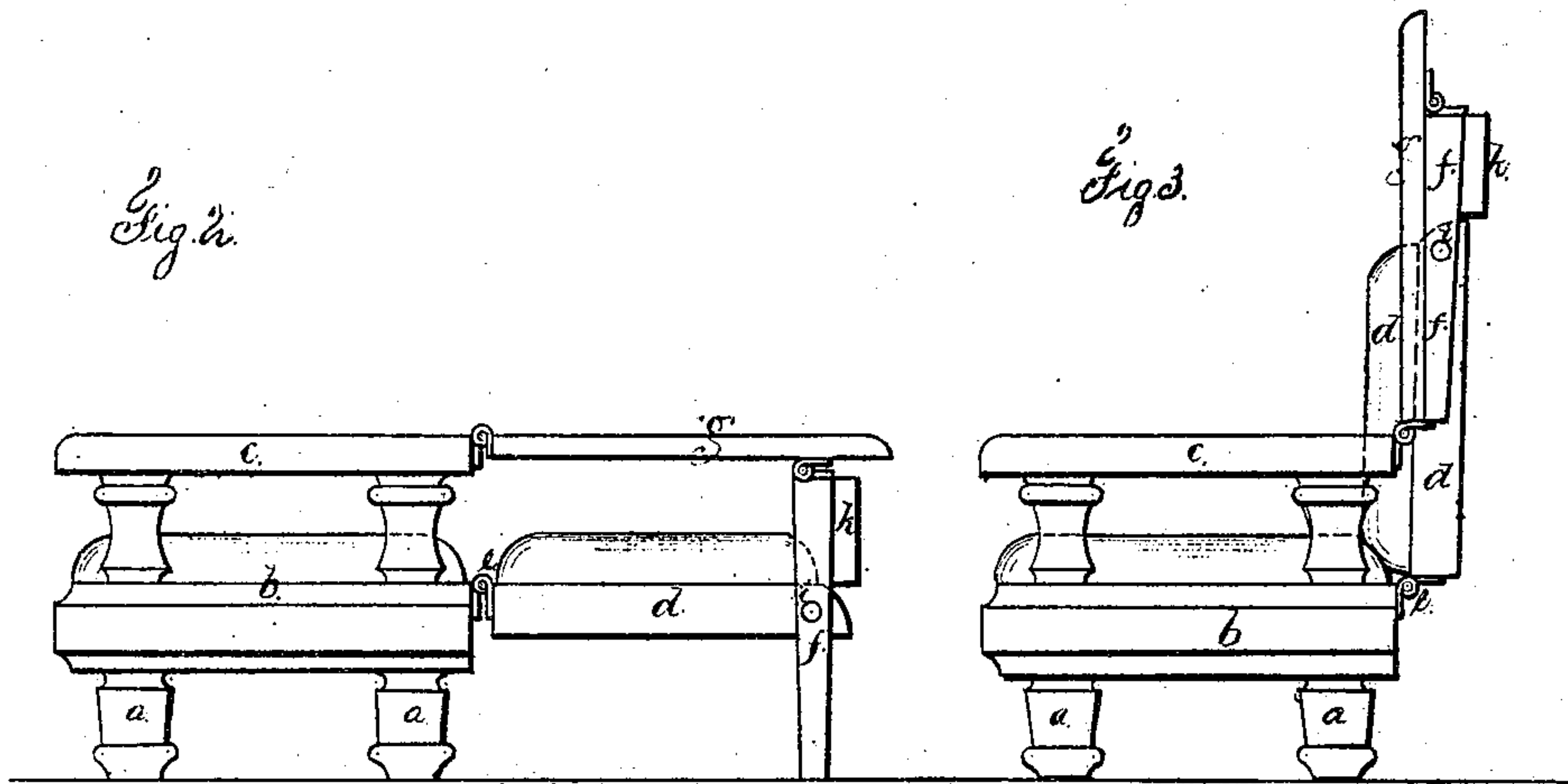


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## IMPROVED BEDSTEAD AND SOFA OR CHAIR.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

### To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES S. McCURDY, of the city and State of New York, have invented and made a certain new and useful Improvement in Sofa-Bedsteads; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawing, making part of this specification, wherein—

Figure 1 is a plan of the sofa opened out to form a bedstead;

Figure 2 is an end view of the same opened out as aforesaid; and

Figure 3 is an end view of the sofa, with the back folded up for use as a sofa or chair.

This invention relates to a sofa or chair that is convertible into a bedstead or crib.

The improvement consists in a connection extending from the arms to the folding legs of the back, so that the operation of opening moves the legs into position to support the back, and the connections from the arms to the legs form guards at the head or foot of the bedstead, or at the sides, as in the case of a crib. I also connect the folding back legs to the ornament or top rail of the sofa or chair-back, so that the same is brought into position for forming a side or guard to the bedstead, by the act of unfolding the bedstead.

In the drawing—

*a a* are the legs of the chair or sofa.

*b* is the bottom of the same, fitted with any suitable stuffing, padding, or cushions.

*c c* are the arms, of any desired shape or character.

*d* is the back, hinged at *e* to the sofa-bottom *b*, and also fitted with cushions or padded.

The legs *f f* are attached to the back *d* by hinges or pivots at *i*, and from the legs *f*, to the rear angle of the arms *c*, are the connecting-bars or links *g*, hinged at their ends to the arms and legs respectively,

so that the parts move parallel, or nearly so, as the back is turned up or down, the legs *f* being kept upright, and the connecting-links *g* forming guards to the bedstead when unfolded, as seen in fig. 2.

When the bedstead is folded to form a sofa or chair, the links *g* form a covering to the legs, as seen in fig. 3, and they may be of a more or less ornamental character.

When unfolded, the back *d* is supported by the legs *f*, and the parts are all held in the proper position, even should the back be allowed to drop accidentally.

When folded, as in fig. 3, the back will be held up by a catch or hook between the arms and back, or between the links and legs *f*.

The top rail *k*, or ornamental back of the chair or sofa above the cushions, when connected with the back itself, causes the bedstead to occupy more space when unfolded, and does not ordinarily produce any benefit.

I make use of the top rail *k*, of the sofa, as a side to the bedstead, by connecting the same to the upper part of the legs *f*, so as always to remain in an upright position, as seen in the drawings.

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

1. The connections or links *g*, extending from the upper parts of the arms *c* to the legs *f*, above the pivots *i*, in combination with the back *d* and bottom *b*, so that said links *g* form guards, as set forth.

2. The top rail *k*, attached to the legs *f*, in combination with the back *d* and connecting-links *g*, substantially as set forth.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my signature, this 28th day of April, A. D. 1869.

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