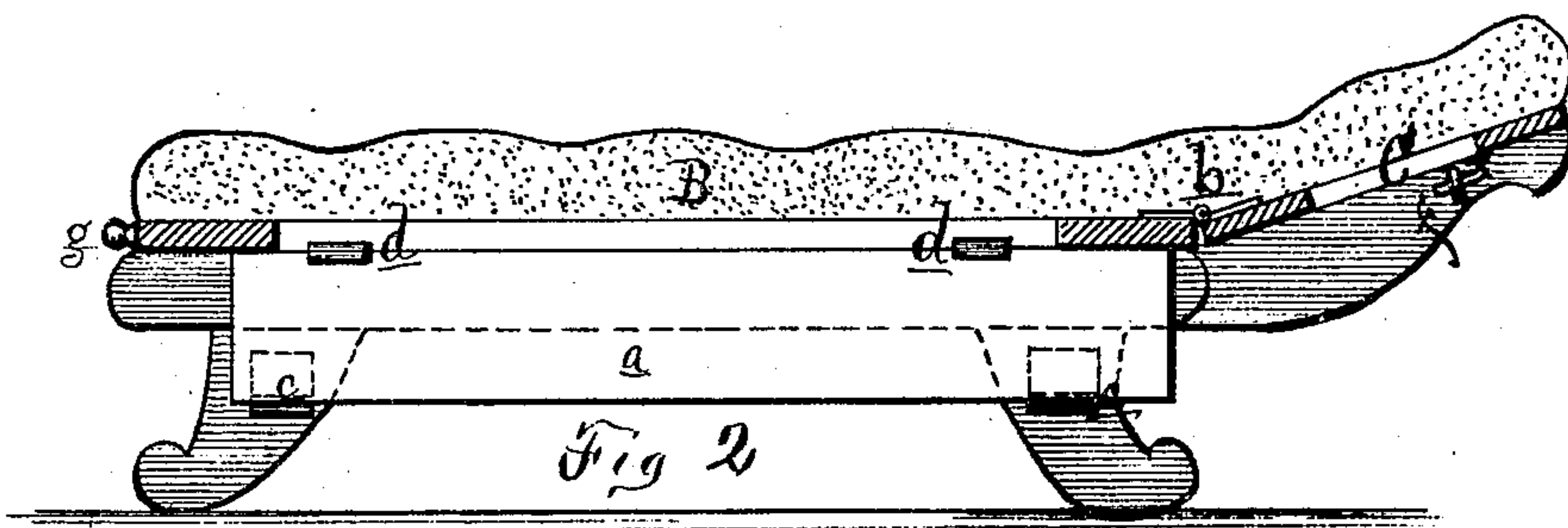
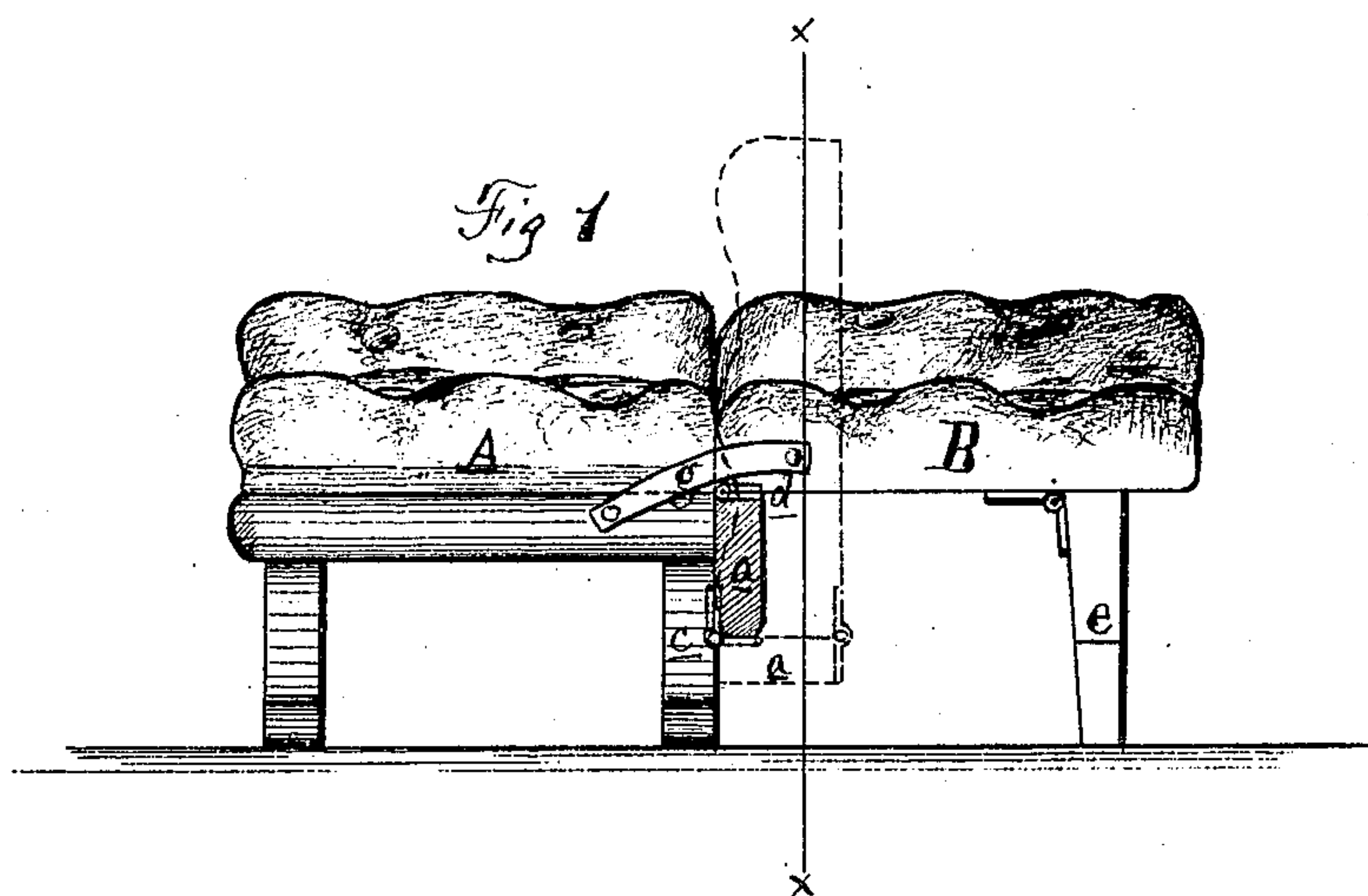


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IMPROVED BED-LOUNGE.

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

To whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, BENJAMIN C. WILKINS, of Elgin, in the county of Kane, and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Bed-Lounges; and I do declare that the following is a true and accurate description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, and being a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is an elevation of my improved lounge, from the foot, showing it arranged as a bed, and

Figure 2 is a vertical section on the line *x x*, in fig. 1.

Like letters indicate like parts in each figure.

The nature of this invention relates to an improved construction of lounges or ottomans, whereby the same may be converted, at will, into an easy bed or couch, and consists in the peculiar method of constructing and attaching the back to the body of the lounge, by means of an intermediate leaf, of wood, hinged to both; also in the arrangement of the various parts, as hereinafter more fully shown and set forth.

In the drawings—

A represents the body of a lounge, upholstered in any desired manner, and mounted on proper legs.

B is the back, of equal size with the body of the lounge, and similarly upholstered; its frame is hinged, as shown at *b*, fig. 2, so that when used as a bed, the shorter end, C, may be raised uniformly with the head of the body of the lounge, in which position, by

a hook and staple, *f*, or other suitable means, it may be secured.

a is a leaf, of wood or other material, hinged to the rear legs of the lounge, as shown at *c*. To its other edge is secured the edge of the back B, by means of the hinges *d*.

e is a leg, hinged to the rear or under part of the back B, and one or more of which are employed to support it, when thrown down to form a bed, the front, however, being supported, by resting on the upper edge of the leaf *a*, as shown in fig. 1.

When arranged as a bed, the head of the back, as before stated, is secured to the head of the lounge, by a hook, *f*, while the foot is secured in like manner by the radial hook *g*.

When it is desired to convert the article into a lounge, the hooks are disengaged, the back thrown up, and the leaf down, as shown in dotted lines in fig 1, with one-half of the back projecting above the plane of the lounge A, in which position the back is secured by the hook *g*, at the foot, and by a suitable hook at the head.

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

The construction of a bed-lounge, wherein the couch A, back B, leaf *a*, hinges *c* and *d*, hinged support *e*, and hooks *f* and *g*, are arranged and operated in the manner and for the purpose specified.

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