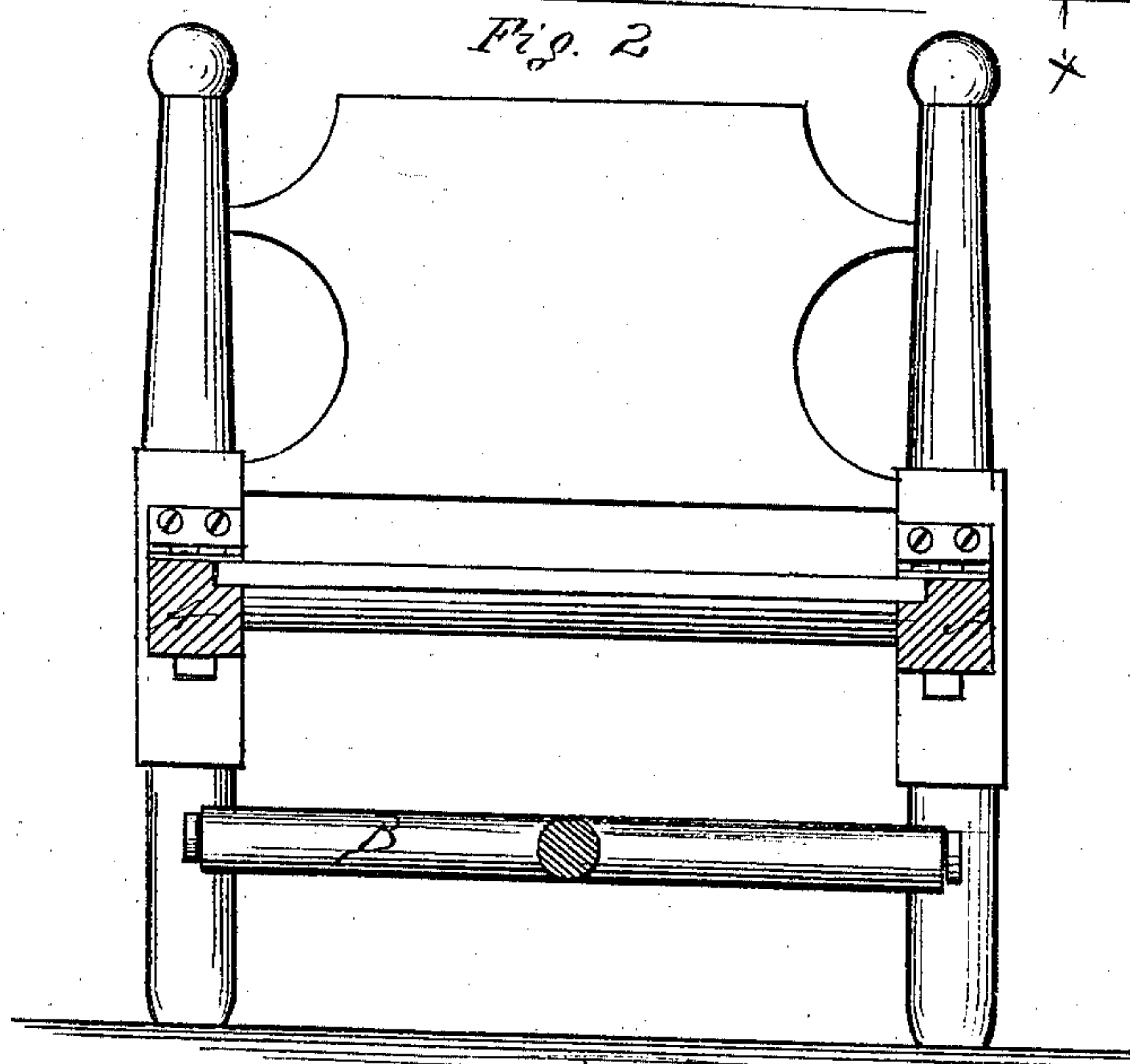
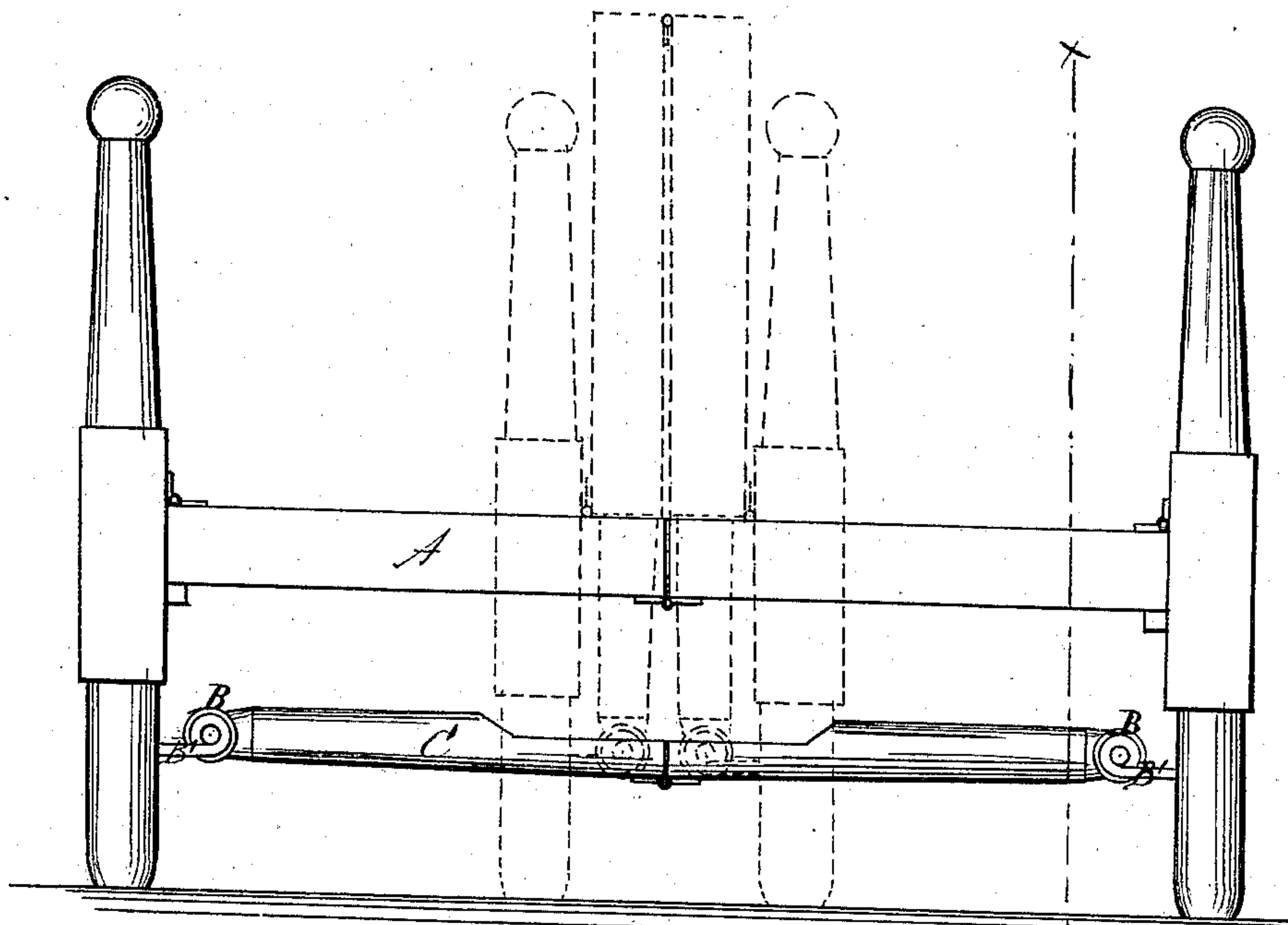


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IMPROVEMENT IN FOLDING BEDSTEAD.

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

I, W. H. BUELL, of Laughlinton, in the county of Westmoreland, and State of Pennsylvania, have invented an Improvement in Folding Bedsteads, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an improved arrangement of the devices for bracing or holding the bedstead in proper position when opened out or set up for occupancy.

In the accompanying drawings—

Figure 1 is a side view of a folding bedstead, of the kind to which my improvement is adapted.

Figure 2 is a cross-section on line *z z* of fig 1.

A A are the side pieces of the bedstead, divided in the middle, and hinged together, and also hinged to the ends of the bedstead, as shown in fig. 1, so that it may be closed up, as clearly represented in dotted lines in the drawings.

B B, cross-bars at the ends of the bedstead, and made to turn in suitable bearings or journals *B' B'* attached to the legs of the bedstead, about midway between the side pieces *A A* and the floor. Said bearings may consist of rods *b b*, inserted in the legs, and properly turned at their ends to receive the ends of the cross bars *B B*, as shown in fig. 1.

C is a brace secured at each end to the bars *B B*,

and extending lengthwise of the bedstead. It is divided into two parts in the middle, which are hinged together, so that the brace may be doubled up with the other parts of the bedstead.

By arranging cross-pieces *B B* in the manner described, and securing the ends of the brace thereto, greater firmness is secured than when the brace is hinged directly to the ends of the bedstead, since this latter arrangement, without some additional locking device, can be but little better for bracing than the sides of the bedstead itself.

My improvement, it will be noticed, prevents the ends of the bed slipping inward at the floor, the brace being arranged at the point where it can be of most service.

Having described my invention,

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

The bars *B B* in combination with the brace *C*, arranged and operating as and for the purpose specified.

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