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Fig. 1.

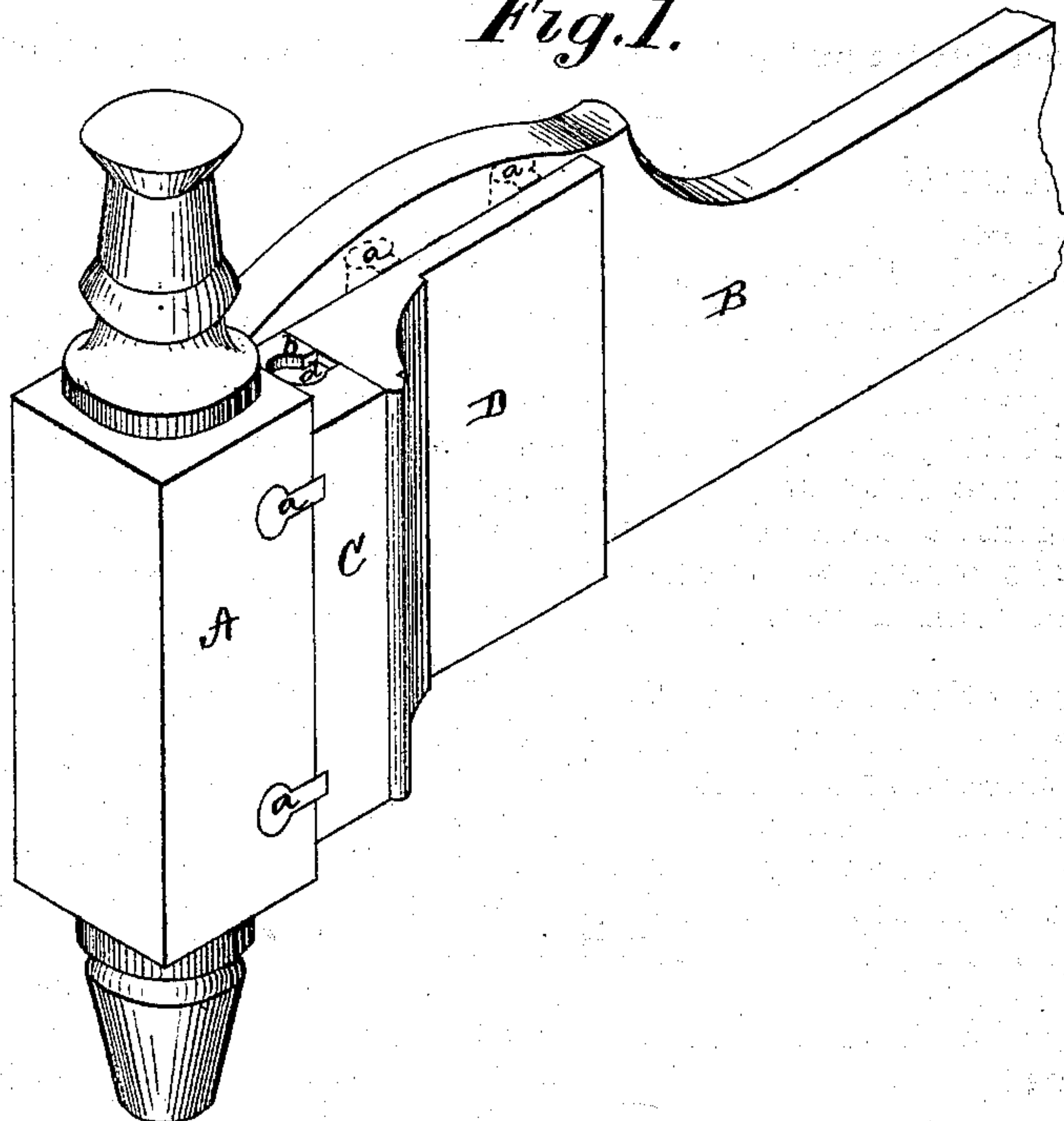
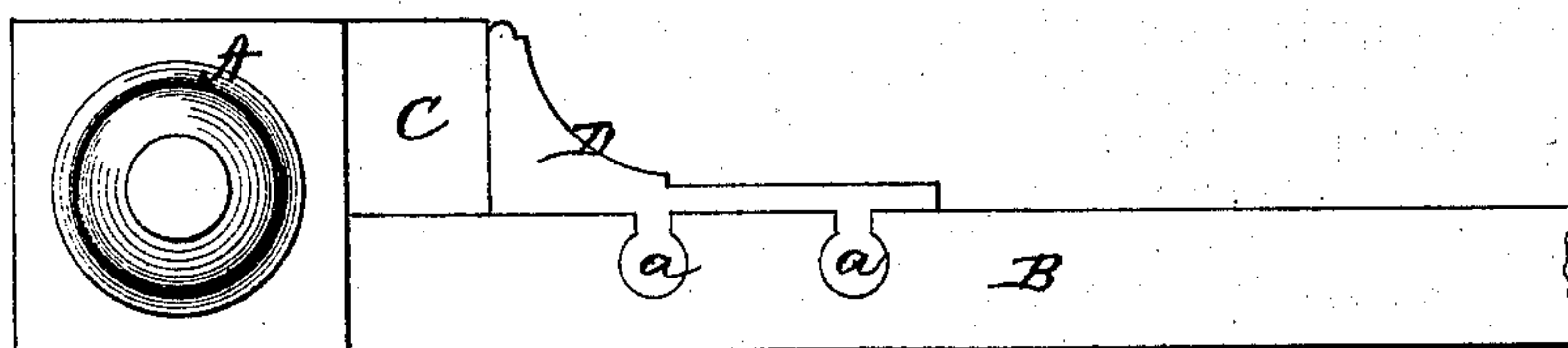


Fig. 2.



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SPECIFICATION.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, J. R. FINLEY and L. MARTIN, of Delphi, in the county of Carroll and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bedstead-Fasteners; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing and to the letters of reference marked thereon which form a part of this specification.

The nature of our invention consists in the construction and arrangement of a "bed-joint," as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which our invention appertains to make and use the same, we will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view; and Fig. 2, a bottom view of my bed-joint.

A represents the bed-post; and B, the side of the bed. The joint which fastens the post A and side B together is composed of two parts, C and D, made of cast-iron or other suitable material. The casting C is in the shape of a rectangular block, having near each end on one side a tongue, *a*, projecting across the block. The outer edges of the tongues *a* are enlarged and rounded, as shown, and in the inner side of the post A are made corresponding grooves, into which said tongues are inserted, the enlarged ends of the tongues holding the block firmly to the post. Through the block or casting C is a vertical groove, *b*, corresponding in its cross-section with the shape of the tongues *a* or of the grooves in the

post A, said groove *b* extending from the upper end downward to near the lower end, and opening on the side of the casting opposite to that on which the tongues *a* are situated. The part D consists of a cast-plate provided with tongues *a*, similar to those on the casting C, and placed in corresponding grooves running vertically upward from the under side of the side piece B. The outer edge of the plate or casting D is provided with an enlargement or swell, as shown, having a vertical tongue, *d*, of the same shape as the tongues *a*, and of such size as to fit in the groove *b* on the casting C. The two parts or castings C and D, being inserted in the grooves on the post A and side B, respectively, the tongue *d* on the casting D is placed from above into the groove *b* on the casting C, thus securing the two parts firmly together. By this means the joint is readily fastened and unfastened, and the two parts of the joint easily inserted or removed from their respective places on the post on side piece.

Having thus fully described our invention, what we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination, with posts A and side pieces B, of the parts D and C, all constructed and arranged substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that we claim the foregoing as our own we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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