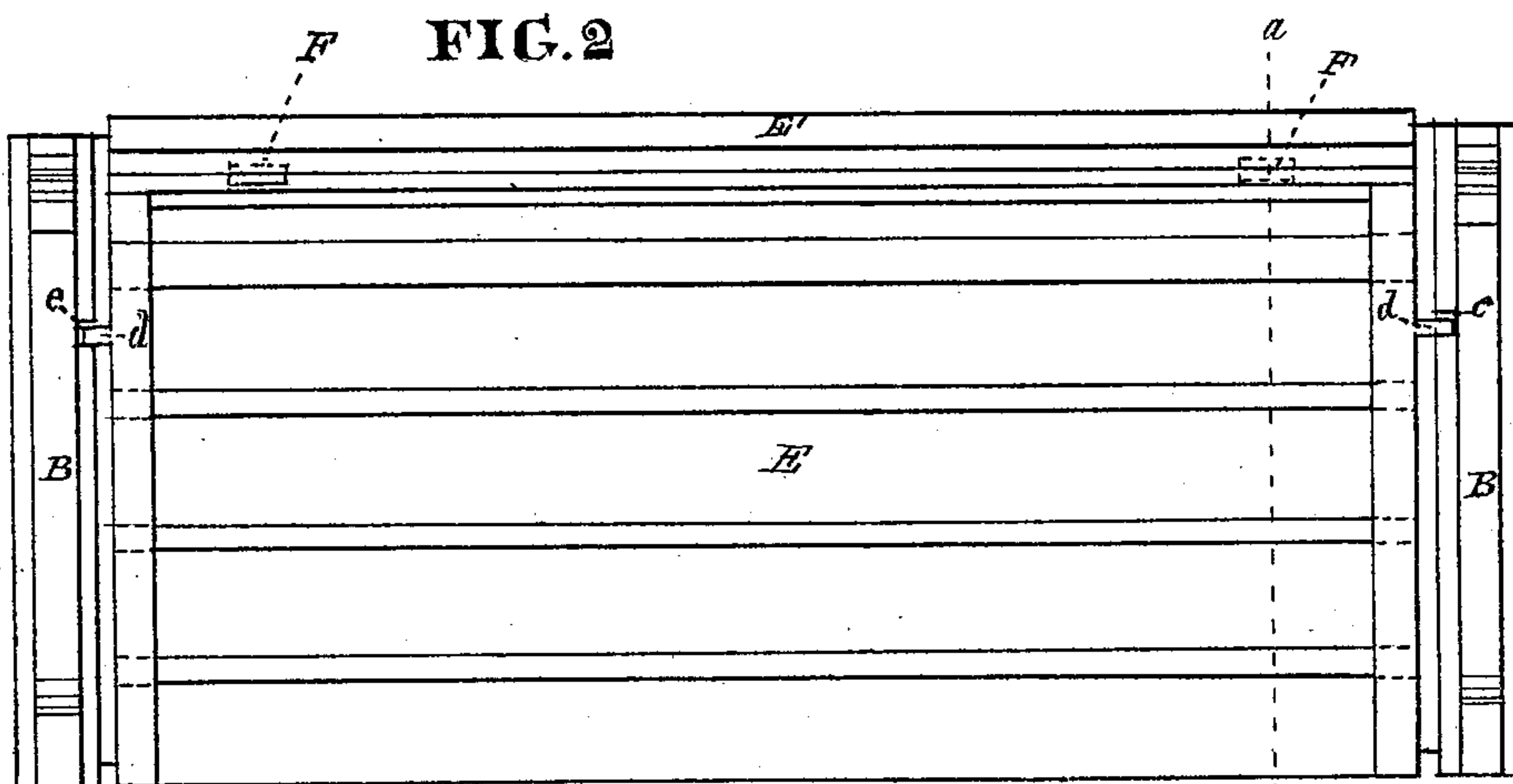
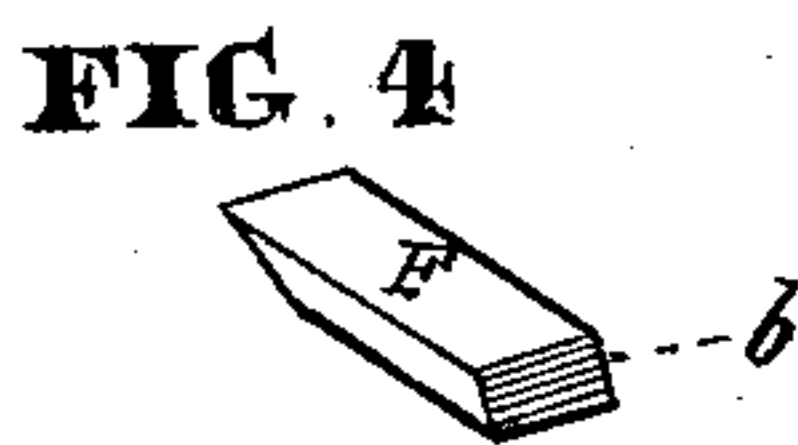
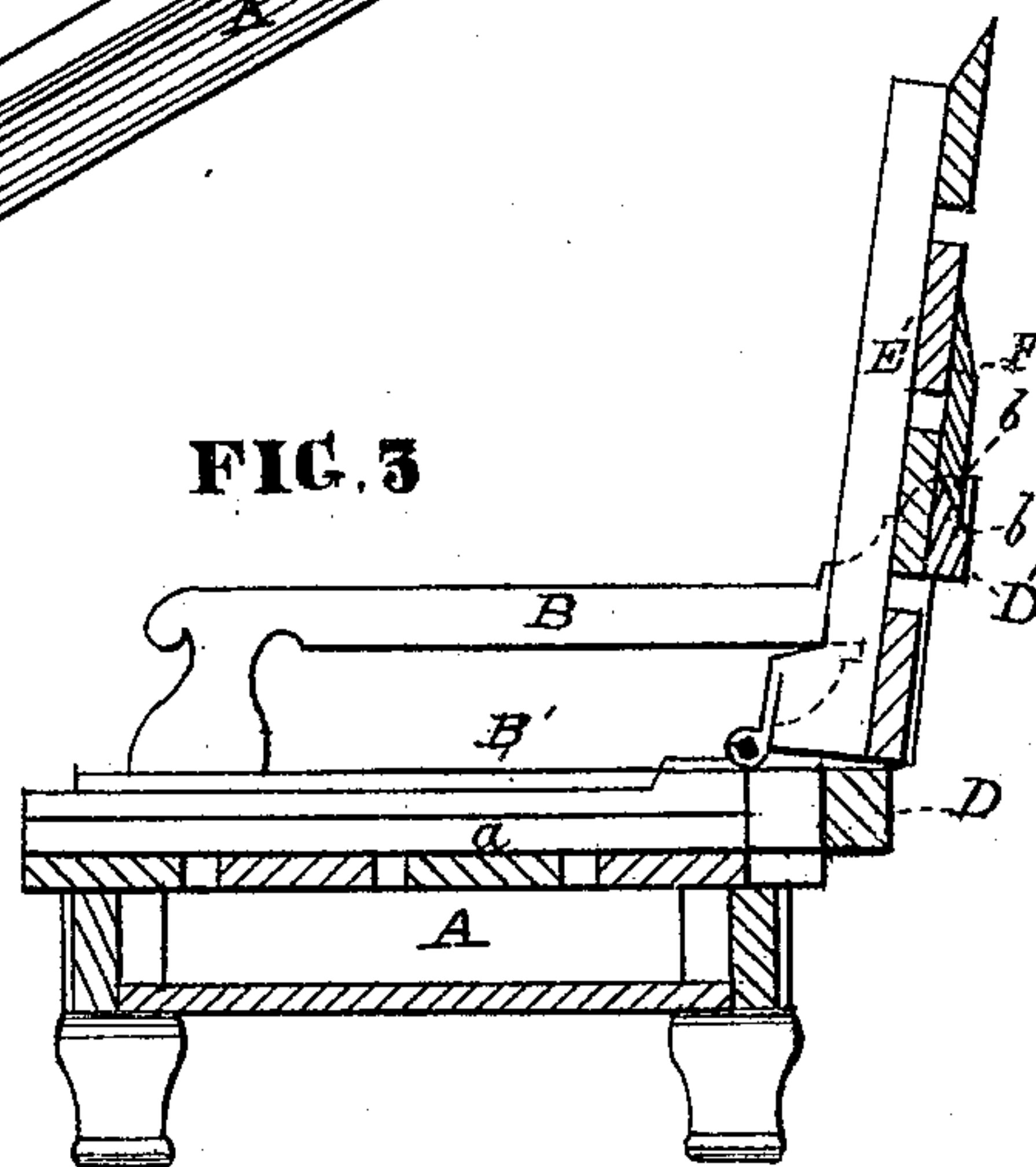
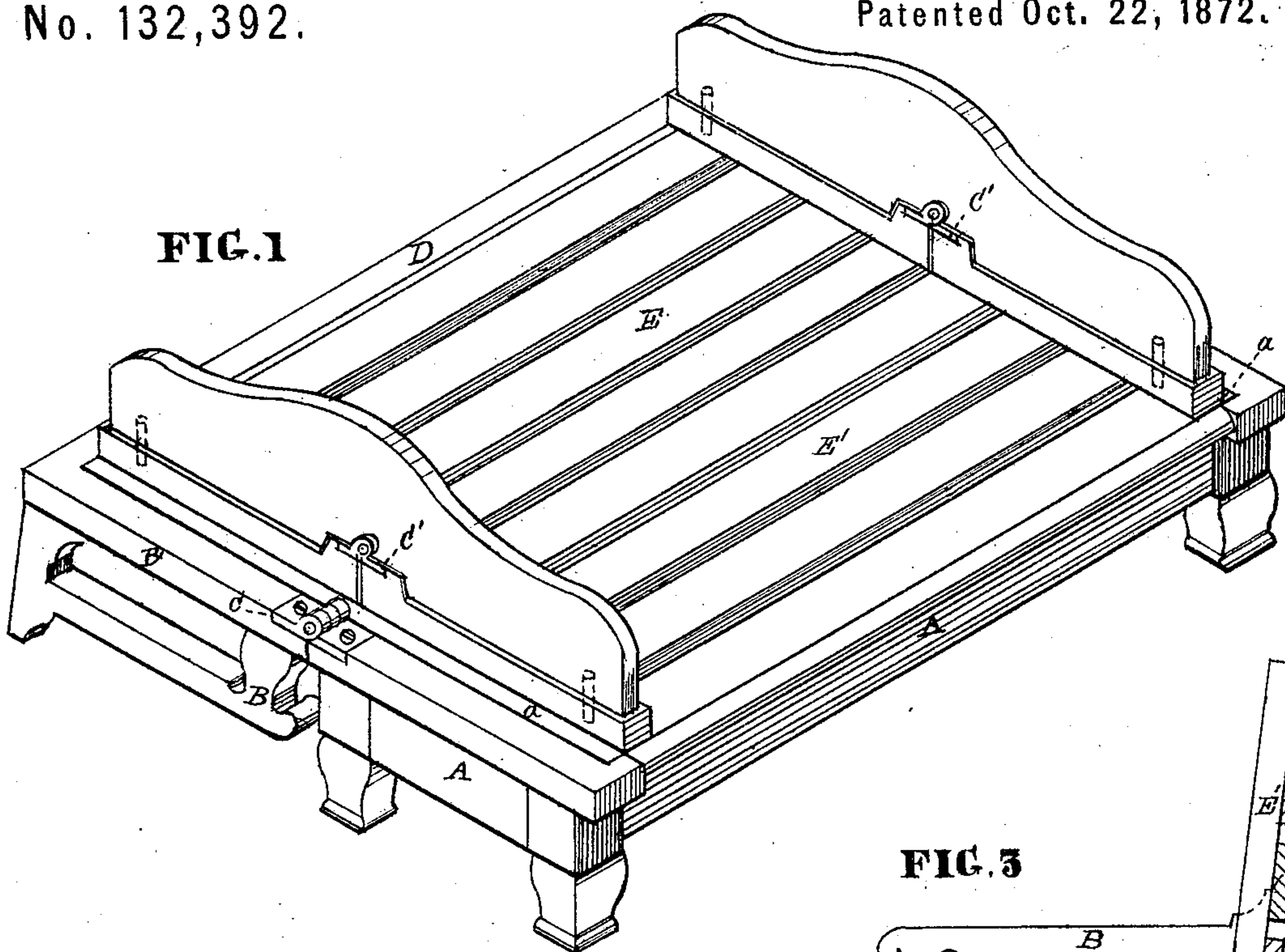


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## IMPROVEMENT IN SOFA-BEDSTEADS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM FARSON, of the city of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain Improvements in Sofa-Bedsteads, of which the following is a specification:

My invention consists of the following particulars: The arms are connected at their rear ends by means of rails, and are in height equal to the seat-frame of the sofa, and are hinged to it so that when turned over in rear of the same they unite with it in supporting the bed-bottom, which consists of two frames hinged together, and when opened are supported at their ends in rabbets formed in the seat-frame and the inner corners of the arms.

When the article is used as a sofa one part of the bed-bottom is combined with the rails above mentioned, which connect with the arms, and the other part forms the support for the bottom cushion of the sofa, as hereinafter fully described.

Figure 1 is an isometrical view, having the bed-bottom in the position to receive the bed, the arms being turned over to unite with the sofa-frame in supporting the bottom. Fig. 2 is a top view of the sofa, the stuffed seat and back being left off to show more clearly the construction of the frame-work. Fig. 3 is a cross-section at the line *a b* of Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of one of the locking-strips *F*.

Like letters in all the figures indicate the same parts.

*A* is the frame of the sofa; *B B*, arms, which are connected to said frame by means of hinges *C C*. Their rear ends are connected together by

means of rails *D D'*. *E E'*, slatted frames, which are connected together by means of hinges *C'*, so that they may be opened flat, as seen in Fig. 1, to form the bed-bottom, or the part *E'* turned up to form the back frame of the sofa, as seen in Figs. 2 and 3. When the frames are in the position seen in Fig. 1, their ends lie in rabbets *a* of the frame *A*, and in the under side of the bases *B' B'* of the arms *B B*.

When the bed is not in use the part *E'* of the bottom frame is turned up, as seen in Figs. 2 and 3, to form the back frame of the sofa. In bringing said frame into this position it is raised so as to pass the bevels *b b* of the strips *F* on its rear side, over and upon the bevels *b'* on the top edge of the rail *D'*, so as to lock said frame *E'*. The frame *E* is prevented moving forward by the insertion of the lugs *d d* in the vertical slots *e e* of the bottom pieces *B' B'* of the arms *B B*. The head and foot boards *G G* are connected with the frame *E* and *E'* by means of dowels *g g*, as seen in Fig. 1.

I claim as my invention—

The combination of the arms *B B* and their connecting-rails *D* and *D'* with the frames *A*, *E*, and *E'*, the frames *E'* and *E* being held in the position seen in Figs. 2 and 3 by means of the locking-strips *F F*, lugs *d d*, and slots *e e*, substantially in the manner and for the purpose set forth.

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