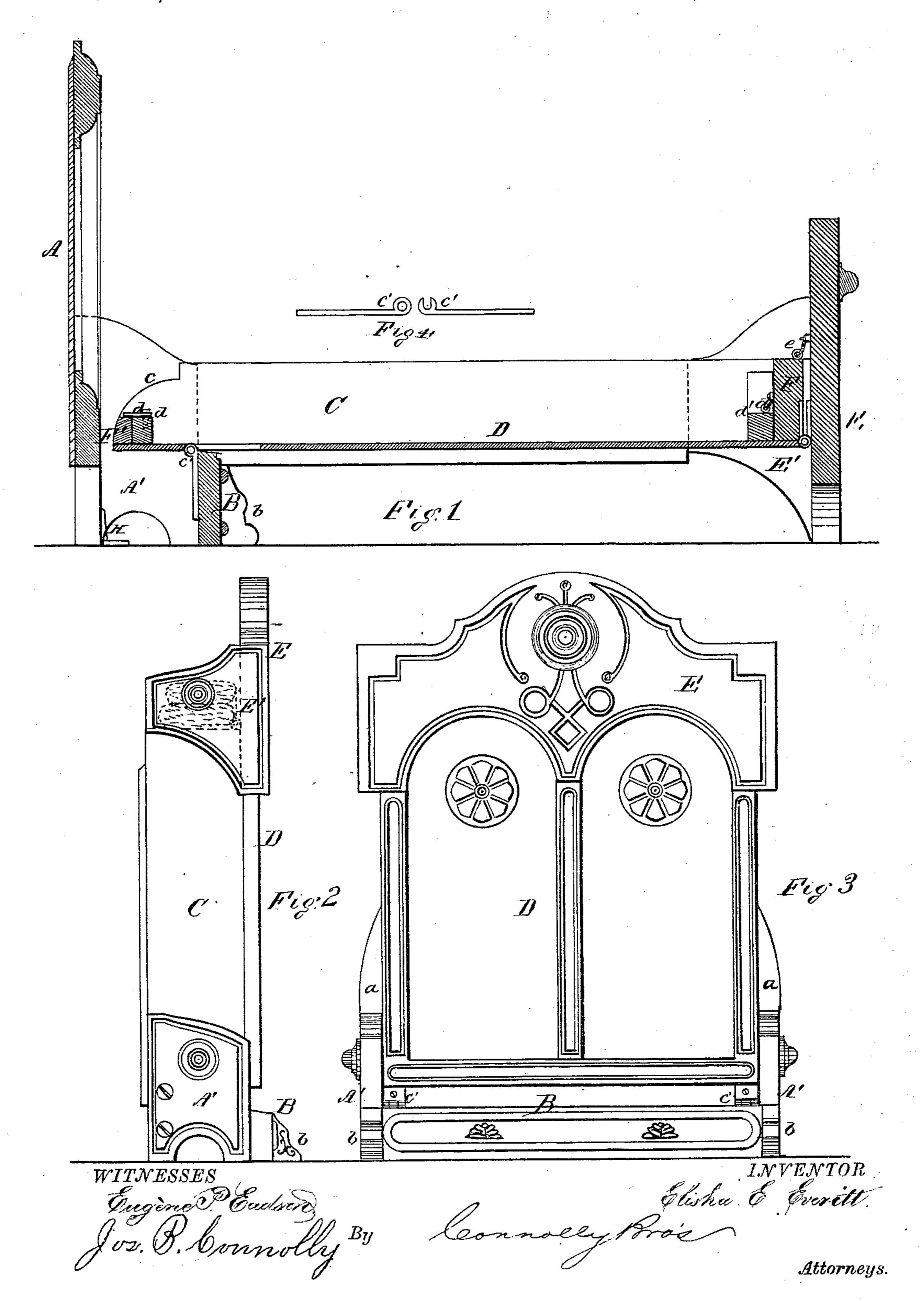
## E. E. EVERITT. Wardrobe-Bedsteads.

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## IMPROVEMENT IN WARDROBE-BEDSTEADS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ELISHA E. EVERITT, of Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Wardrobe-Bedsteads; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a vertical longitudinal sectional view of the bed lowered for use. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the bed raised. Fig. 3 is a front elevation of the same. Fig. 4 is a view

of the open hinge-plate.

My invention has relation to that class of bedsteads which may be folded or raised to a vertical position, so as to assume the appearance of a wardrobe, or other similar upright article of furniture. The nature of my invention consists in the peculiar construction and combination of parts, as hereinafter described.

Referring to the accompanying drawing, A is the head-board of the bed, having posts A' A', which also form side brackets. B is a baseboard, extending between the posts A' A'. To this base-board are hinged the side rails C C, the hinges c' c' being open, as shown in Fig. 4, so as to allow said rails to rest upon the - support B without injury to the pintles, and also to permit said rails to be easily detached when the bed is to be transported. Instead of hinging the side rails, as just described, to the base-board B, they may be pivoted on the posts A' A' by means of suitable bolts passing through the latter, in which case the baseboard B would be dispensed with, and the bottom board D made of such length as to almost touch the floor when the bed is in an upright position. E represents the foot-board, having posts E', which form side brackets. This foot-board E is hinged, as shown, to the end rail F, being held in a vertical position, when the side rails are extended horizontally, by means of a catch or hook, e.

When the bed is folded or raised, the footboard E, with its posts E', forms a top molding

or cornice for the imitation wardrobe, and also serves as a receptacle for the pillows and bedclothing.

In order to enable the bed to be packed in a very small compass, the side and end rails are held together by means of screws, as in ordinary bedsteads, and the bottom board D, which is held in place by the hooks d' and catches d d, may be formed in two pieces for the same purpose.

The bottom D and base-board B are designed to be ornamented, according to the article it

is designed to imitate.

In order to prevent the bed from tilting forward when raised, brackets b b are placed upon the base-board B, and, as a further precaution, or in lieu of the brackets, the bed may be made fast to the floor by screws passing through suitable plates H.

To enable the bed to be easily raised, a suitable weight is to be attached to the end rail F', said weight to be not quite heavy enough to counterpoise the movable part of the bed

when clothed.

When a very high head-board is desired, the upper part of the bottom rail is cut out sufficiently to let the head-board rest in the recess when the bed is elevated; and, in order to bring the ends of the side rails as near as possible to the head-board, the ends of said rails are rounded, as shown at c c. The edges of the head-board are rabbeted or formed with a recess, a, so as to permit the side rails to enter therein when raised, coming thereby very close to the wall against which the headboard stands, and taking up less room than if the inner edges of said rails were flush with the front of the head-board. The bed is designed to be provided with a spring-mattress, or with slats, in the usual manner.

When the bed is raised, and until it is desired to lower it, it is secured in its upright position by means of hooks or catches engaging with the side rails and head-board.

What I claim as my invention is—

1. The folding wardrobe-bedstead comprising the head-board A, base-board B, side rails C, hinged to said base-board, removable bottom board D, hinged foot-board E, and side

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brackets A' E', all constructed and arranged substantially as and for the purpose specified.

2. The hinged foot-board E, in combination with the side brackets E', raised above the side rails C, as shown, and forming, when the bed is elevated, the side guards for the pillows and bed-clothing, as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 18th day of November, 1873.

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