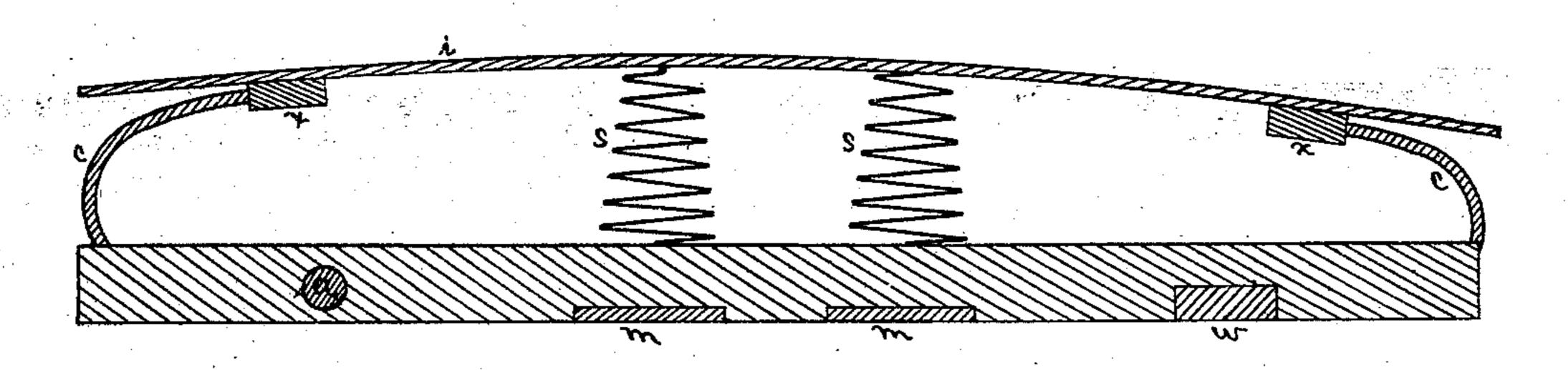
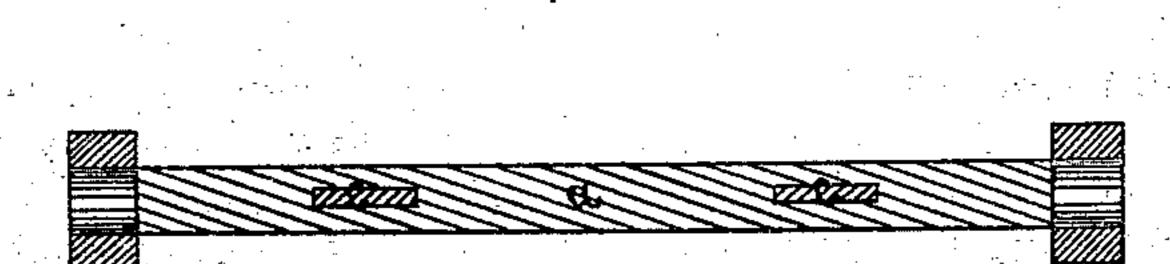
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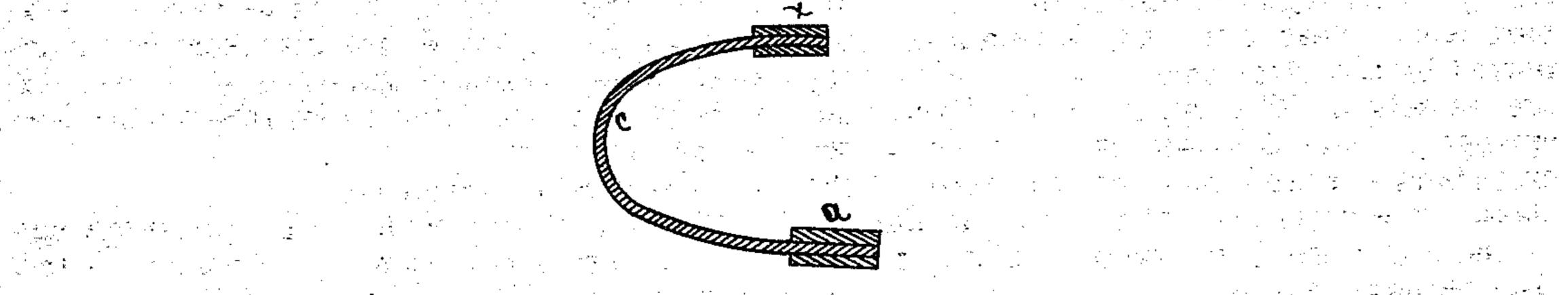
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CALVIN MILLER, OF SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO.

IMPROVEMENT IN SPRING BED-BOTTOMS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 154,339, dated August 25, 1874; application filed June 13, 1874.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CALVIN MILLER, of Summit county, Ohio, have invented certain Improvements in Spring Bed-Bottoms, of which the following is a specification:

The invention is represented in the accom-

panying drawing.

Figure 1 is a side view of the bed-bottom. Fig. 2 is a vertical cross-section through the roller a. Fig. 3 is a section of one of the bent springs c, cross-bar x, and roller a.

The slats i i i i i are supported near the center by the springs s s, which rest on the crossbars m m. Near their ends the slats are supported by the cross-bars x x, to which they are attached. The upper ends of the bent springs c c are fastened in mortises in the cross-bars x x, and support the ends of the slats. The lower ends of the bent springs c c, at one end of the bed-bottom, are held in mortises through the cross-bar w. At the other end of the bed-bottom the lower ends of the bent springs c c are held in mortises through the roller a. The springs s s being attached directly to the slats without any intervening cross-bar each slat at its center is permitted

to yield to pressure independent of the other slats; but this independent action of each slat is partially counteracted by reason of all the slats being attached near their ends to the cross-bars x x. The slats i i i i are kept firmly in position by the ends of the bent springs c c being fitted in mortises in the cross-bars x and x at one end of the bed-bottom, and in the cross-bar x and roller a at the other end. The roller a by turning when pressure is applied to the slats permits the free action of the bent springs c c.

The object of using the cross-bars x x is to prevent the action of each slat from being entirely independent of the other slats, and also to hold each slat firmly in its relative position

to the other slats.

I claim as my invention—

The combination of the roller a, bent springs c c c c c, cross-bars w and x x, slats i i i i, and springs s s, substantially as and for the purpose herein set forth.

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