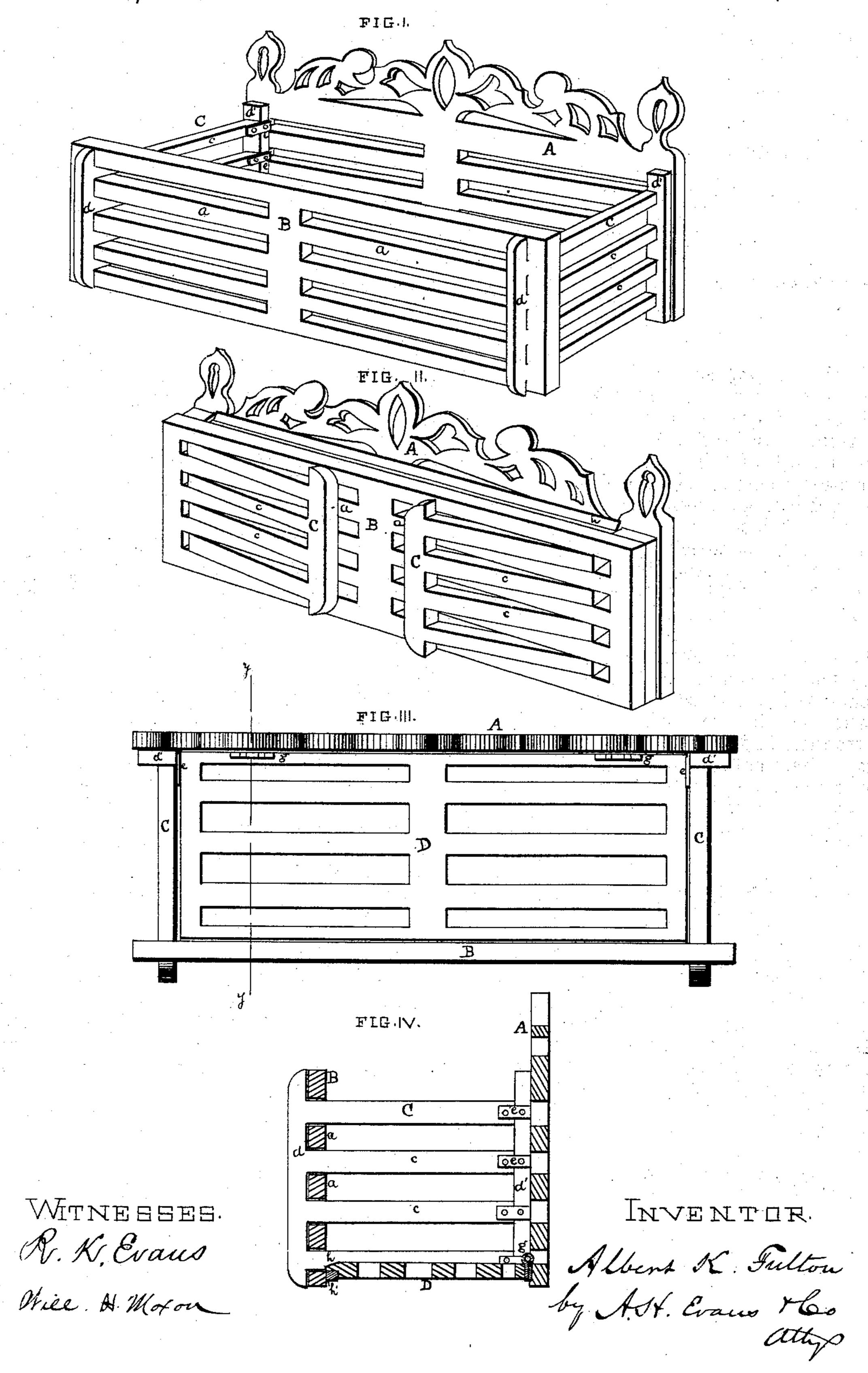
A. K. FULTON. Railway-Car Baskets.

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## IMPROVEMENT IN RAILWAY-CAR BASKETS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALBERT K. FULTON, of Baltimore, Maryland, have invented a new and useful Attachment for Sleeping-Cars, of which the following is a clear, full, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my invention. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the same folded. Fig. 3 is a top view of the invention opened. Fig. 4 represents a section through

the lines x x.

The object of my invention is to supply a cheap and convenient clothes-rack for sleeping-cars, and one which can be readily folded up when not in use; and it consists in the construction and combination of the several parts, as hereinafter described.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe the exact manner in which I have car-

ried it out.

In the drawings, A represents the back of my clothes-rack; B, the front; and C C the ends of the same. The part A may be slatted or solid, as desired, while the front B is composed of the slats a a; and the ends C C are formed of the slats c c, secured to the standards d d at one end, and hinged at the other, by the hinges e e, to the posts d' d'. The posts d' d' are rigidly secured to the back A. The slats of the front B are made to slide freely between the slats c c of the ends, and within the line of the posts d d. The slats aa are secured at the ends to the posts d' d'outside of the ends, as shown in Fig. 1. From this description it is evident that, when the front B is moved up to the back A, the ends,

swinging on their hinges ee, can be folded inward, so as to lie closely against the front B. The bottom D may be made slatted or solid, as desired, and is hinged at g, so as to be raised when the rack is to be folded up. When raised, it fits snugly between the posts d'd', and lies folded between the front and the back of the rack. On the front edge of the bottom is formed a shoulder, h, which rests on the strip h' when the bottom is down in position. The strip h' is rigidly secured to the inner

lower portion of the front B.

The operation of my device is as follows: When wanted for use, the ends C C are brought to a position at right angles to the back A. The front B is then drawn forward against the standards d, when the bottom D, working on its hinges at g, falls to its position and rests on the strips h'. The rack is then ready for the reception of clothes or such articles as the passenger may desire to deposit therein. When not in use, the bottom D is first thrown up between the posts d' d'. The front B is then moved back against the folded bottom, after which the ends fold together, thus forming a clothes-rack particularly adapted to sleeping-cars.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters

Patent, is—

An attachment for sleeping-cars, composed of the back A, front B, ends C C, and bottom D, combined to operate substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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