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STEP-LADDER CHAIR.

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Fig. 1.

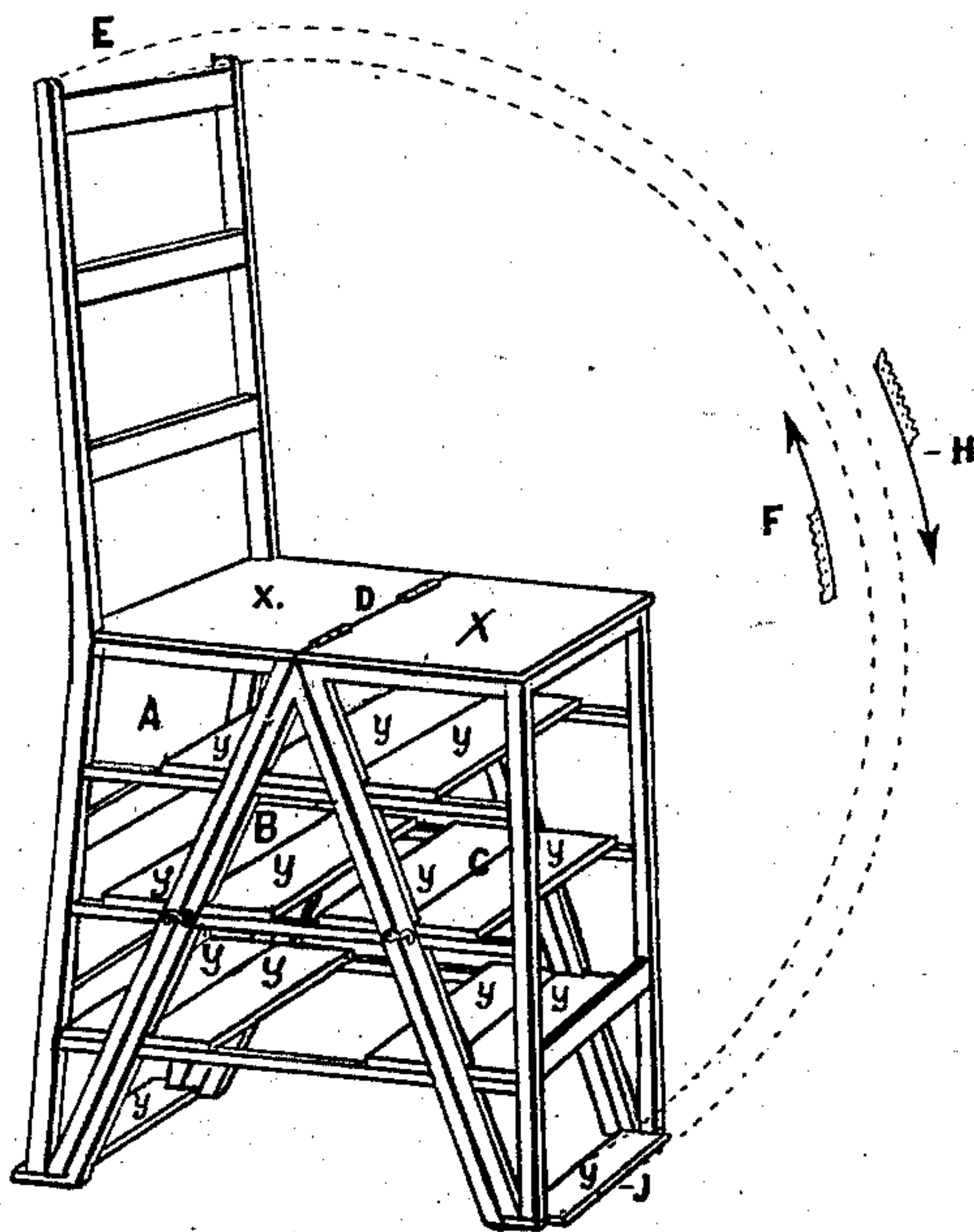
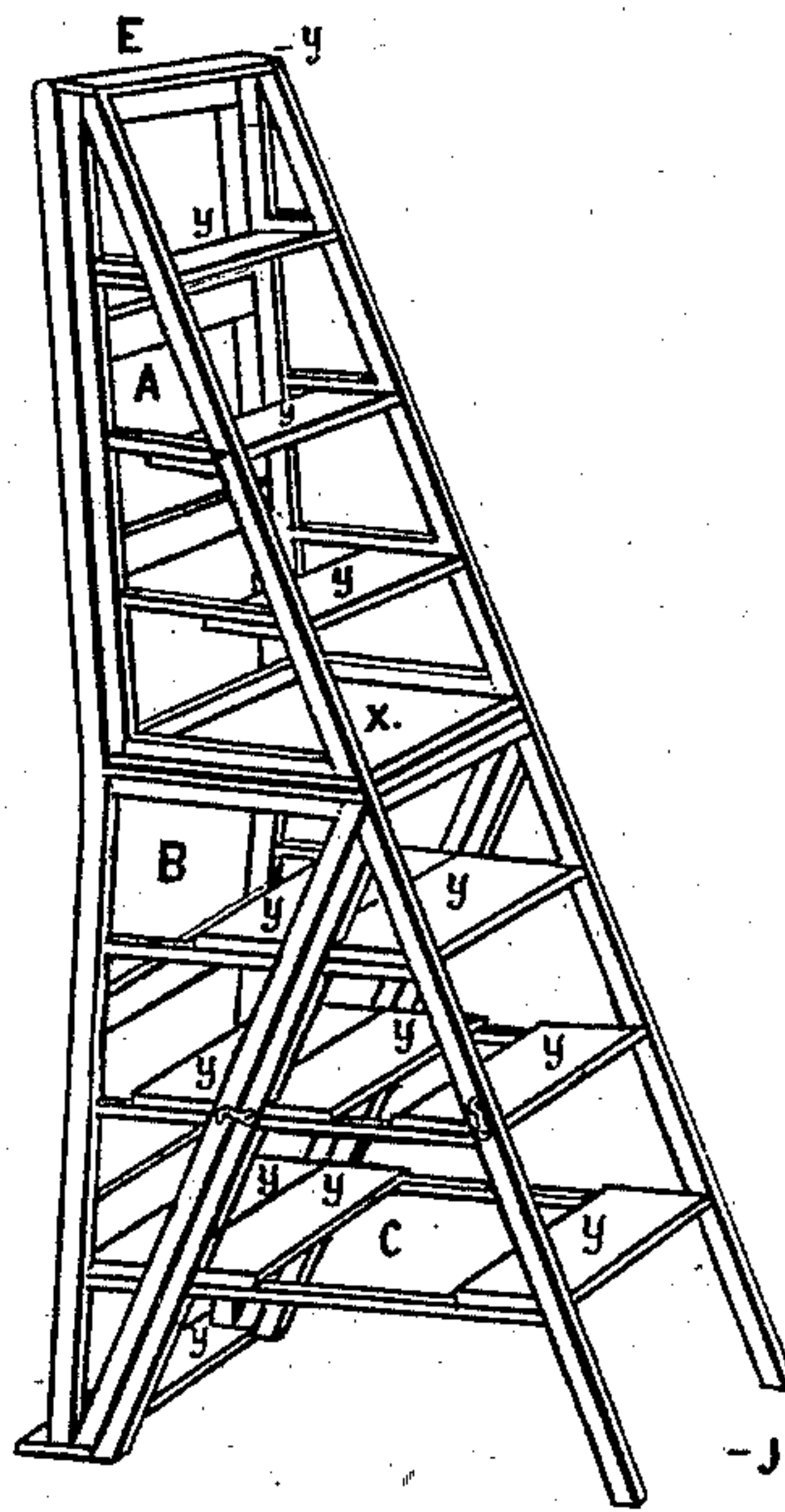


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN STEP-LADDER CHAIRS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY GOFFETTE, of Dubuque, Iowa, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combined Chairs and Step-Ladders; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view; and Fig. 2 is a similar view, the section C being raised so as to form a step-ladder.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both the figures.

This invention relates to a combination chair and step-ladder; and it consists in constructing the same in three sections hinged together by a common hinge, and in such a manner that either its front or back portion may be folded out for the purpose of converting the chair into a step-ladder, substantially as hereinafter more fully shown and described.

In the drawings, A B C are the three sections forming my improved chair and step-ladder. Each of these is provided with equidistant and parallel steps *y y*, arranged as shown in the drawings. The three sections are hinged together, as shown at D, the chair-seat *x x* being formed by the upper steps of sections A C. The back of the chair projects upward from section A, of which it forms part. Hooks, or any other suitable devices, may be used

for retaining the several sections in their proper position, when used as a chair.

The method of converting the chair into a step-ladder will be readily understood from the foregoing description, and by reference to the drawings hereto annexed. Either of the sections A or C may be turned to the position shown in Fig. 2, (where the section C is shown turned up,) thus forming a complete step-ladder. When section A is turned, the back of the chair rests upon the floor; but when section C is turned, it rests against the back of the chair, which then remains in position.

I am well aware that it is not new to combine a chair and step-ladder in one piece of furniture; but I am not aware that they have been so constructed that the step-ladder may be formed by two different manipulations of the article. The advantage of this is, that the ladder may always be formed without turning the chair around—an advantage of considerable importance when space is limited.

Having thus described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States—

The improved combination chair and step-ladder herein described, consisting of three sections, A B C, having steps *y y* and seat *x*, all hinged together at D, substantially as and for the purpose herein shown and specified.

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