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Convertible Chair.

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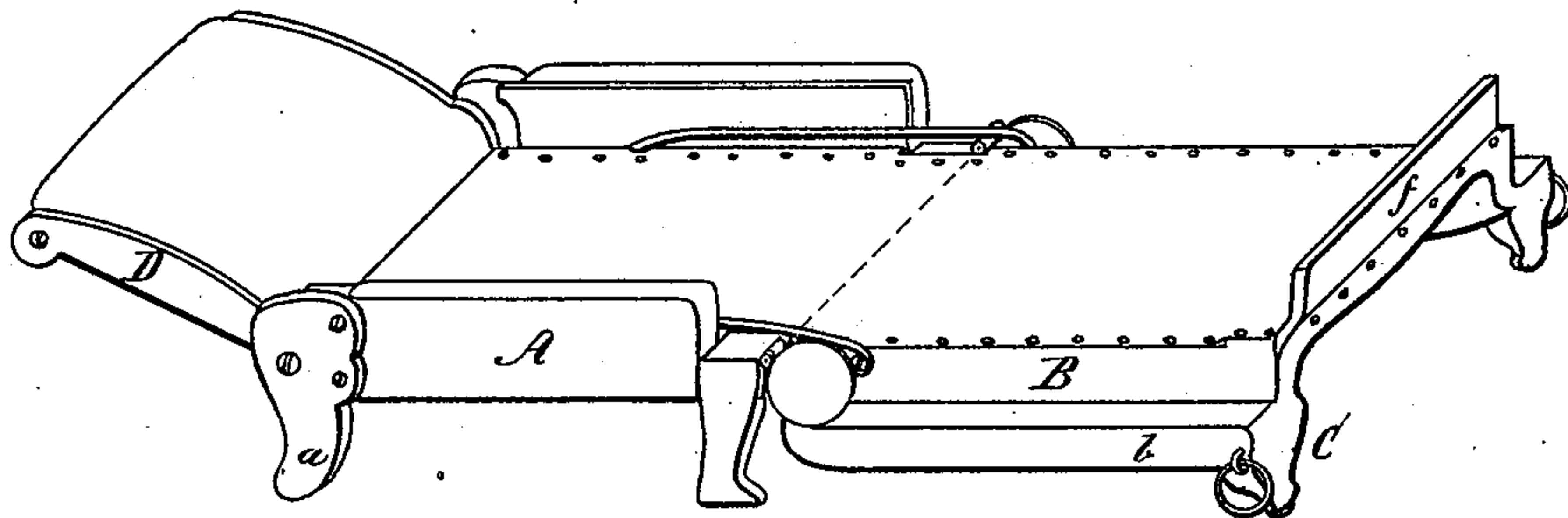


Fig. 1.

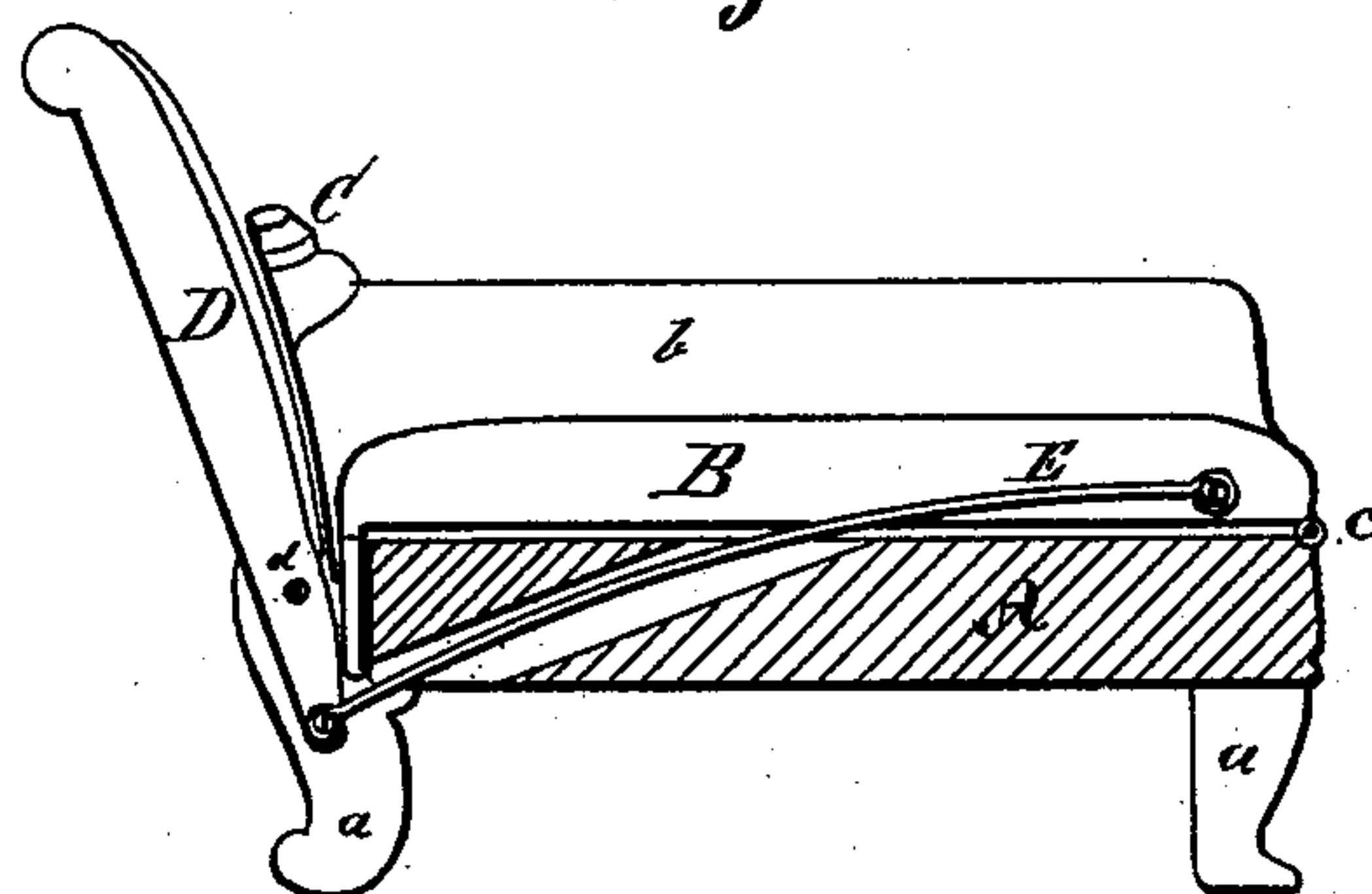


Fig. 2.

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IMPROVEMENT IN CONVERTIBLE CHAIRS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHRISTIAN BURNITZ, of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a new and Improved Chair or Lounge and Bed Combined, of which the following is a full and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective of this piece of furniture while converted into a bed, and Fig. 2 is a sectional end elevation of the same in condition for use as a chair or lounge.

The nature of my invention relates to chairs or lounges in which the seat can be opened and extended, and the back can be turned down or lowered, so as to form a comfortable bed; and my invention consists in the combination, construction, and arrangement of the parts composing my bed, lounge, or chair, as fully hereinafter explained.

In the drawing, A is the main frame of the chair, being supported upon legs *a*, and B is the extension-frame, having arm-rests *b*, with the projection acorn-shaped ornaments C, which will form the feet for said frame B while extended. This frame B is attached to frame A by hinges *c* at the front of the chair. D is the back, which is also pivoted to the rear of the main frame A at *d*, the end rails of which are elongated to a point some distance below the pivot *d*; and to the extreme ends of these elongated portions of the back are pivoted the ends of two rods, E, the opposite ends

of which are coupled to the inward faces of the end rails of extension-seat B at a point a short distance back of hinge *c*, so that while raising and turning the seat B the back D will recline; and when the seat is entirely extended the back has arrived at such an inclination best suited for a head-rest; and in folding the seat again so as to convert the bed into a chair the back will be raised to its former position.

The above will make a very strong and durable piece of furniture, which cannot very easily get out of order, and which, with a single movement, is changed into the desired form. It is simple in its construction, and therefore cheap to manufacture. No iron folding legs, so damaging to the carpet, are required.

The front upper edge of frame B, when extended, is provided with a foot-board, *f*, which, when the seats are folded, enters a narrow space between the main frame A and back D.

What I claim as my invention is—

In combination with the main frame A, the folding frame B, having projecting legs C, and back D, having elongated side rails, frame B and back D being connected together by rods E, all constructed, arranged, and operating substantially as described, for the purpose set forth.

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