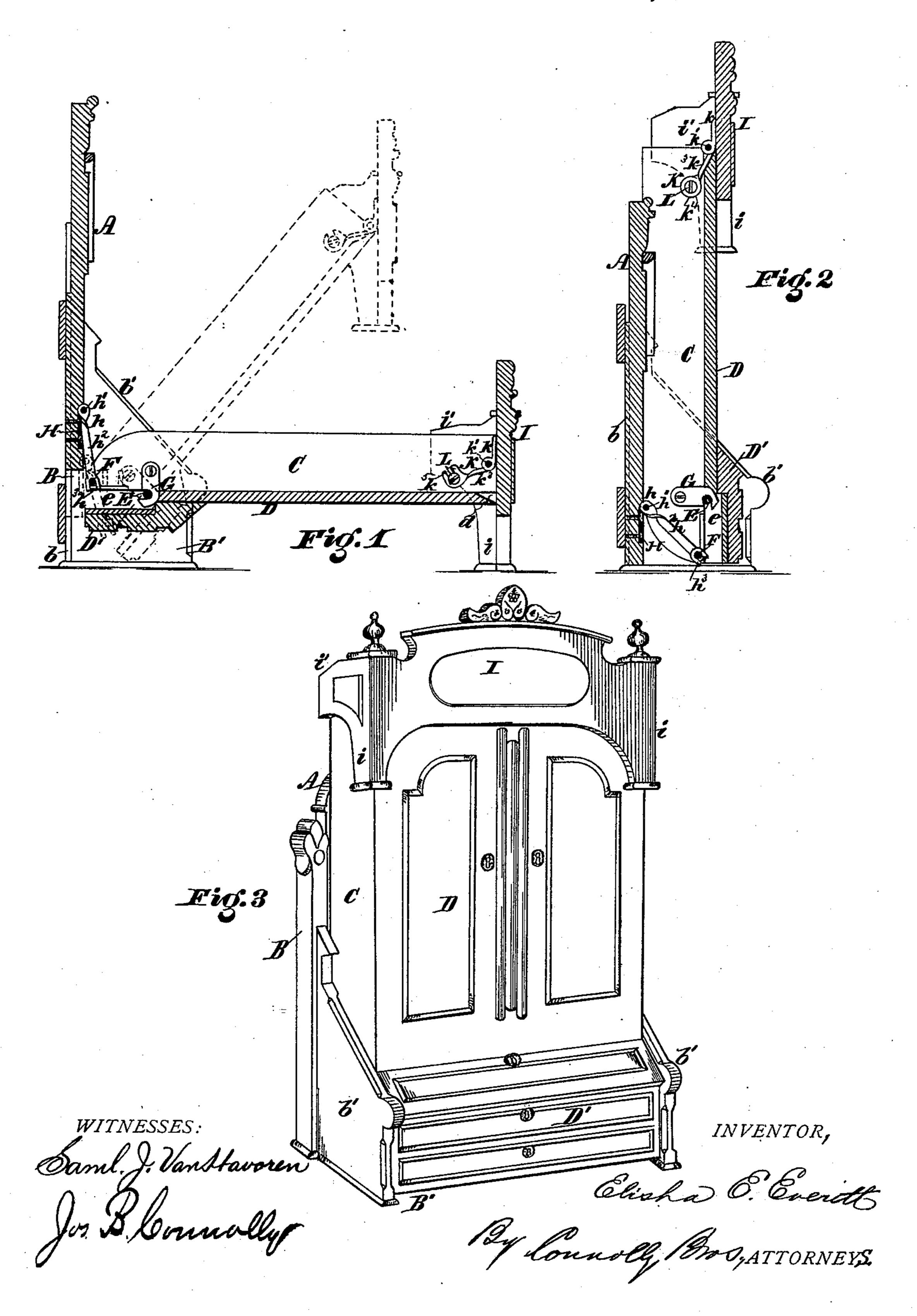
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## IMPROVEMENT IN WARDROBE-BEDSTEADS.

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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 Idrawings, which form part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a longitudinal vertical section of my improved wardrobe-bedstead, illustrating the bed lowered. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal vertical section of the same, showing the bed raised; and Fig. 3 is a perspective of the same

in a like position.

My invention has relation to that class of bedsteads known as "wardrobe" or "convertible" bedsteads, wherein the article, which is a bedstead by night, or when in use, is made to simulate a wardrobe or other similar upright piece of furniture by day, or when not in use.

My invention has for its object to provide such a bedstead in which, first, the foot-board shall be so connected to the side rails or bottom of the bedstead that it will, by its own gravity, assume its proper vertical position both when the bed is raised and when it is lowered, thereby dispensing with the necessity of independent devices for controlling the movement of said foot-board; second, the hinges connecting the foot-board to the side rails or bottom of the bed shall be of such a character as to let said foot-board maintain its vertical position when the folding part of the bed is raised and when it is lowered, opererating likewise as a brace or draw-rod to hold said foot-board rigidly against the ends of the side rails when the bed is lowered; third, the foot-board shall be attached to the side rails or bottom of the bed by swinging hinges in such manner that when the bed is raised the turning-point or fulcrum of said foot-board will be moved downwardly, whereby the cornice of the apparent wardrobe shall be less elevated than it would be if stationary hinges were employed; fourth, the foot-board shall be connected to the side rails or bottom of the bed by open hinges or hooks, to permit ready detransportation purposes; fifth, the head-board shall be movable vertically, and connected with the folding body, to counterbalance the same, by hinge, which swing in such manner as to accommodate the changed relation of the parts as the body is raised and lowered.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, A indicates the head-board of the bed, which has liberty of movement in grooves b b in posts B B, which have forwardly-projecting sides or extensions b' b', forming an open front, B'.

C C are the side rails of the bed, and D the bottom, connecting the same. E is a rod, connecting the side extensions b' b', and F is a similar rod, connecting the side rails C C. Said side rails are slotted, as shown at e e; or that portion of the bottom D which forms the front of the base or drawer of the apparent ward-robe (shown at D', Figs. 2 and 3) is set out from the lower edges of said rails to form said slots e e.

G G are metallic bearings at the inner termination of said slots. The rod E passes through the slots e e to the bearings, said rod and bearings thus forming the hinges on which the side rails and bottom turn in folding the bedstead.

H H are hinges, fastened to the head-board at h h, their joints being at  $h^1$   $h^1$ , and the lower ends of their leaves  $h^2$  being notched at  $h^3$ , forming bearings for the rod F, which rests therein.

I is the foot-board, and comprises also the foot-rail of the bedstead, thus dispensing with the necessity of a separate rail for that purpose, the ends of the rails C C having no other connection than said foot-board. It is provided with feet i i, and is extended around the side rails, so as to form brackets or wings i'. The foot-board, feet, and brackets or wings are all formed in one piece, or if made in separate pieces are so attached as to be a rigid whole, moving as one piece. KK are strap-hinges, secured to the foot-board I at k k, their joints being at  $k^1 k^1$ . The lower leaves or straps,  $k^3$ , of said hinges are pivotally connected, as at L L, to the side rails C C, or to the bottom D, the ends of said leaves being made with eyes  $k^4$  or hooks  $k^5$ , preferably the latter. The pivotal attachments L L, whereby the hinges be-

215,727 come double-jointed, are located so that when the bed is extended in a horizontal position, as shown in Fig. 1, they will be in a plane below the joints  $k^1$   $k^1$ , in order that the leaves  $k^3$  may act as diagonal braces or draw-rods, as hereinafter set forth.

swing on the pivotal points L L until they assume the oblique position shown in Fig. 1, the foot-board I being drawn up tight against the ends of the side rails, C C. In this position the side rails and bottom, being then in a horizontal plane, cannot farther descend, and