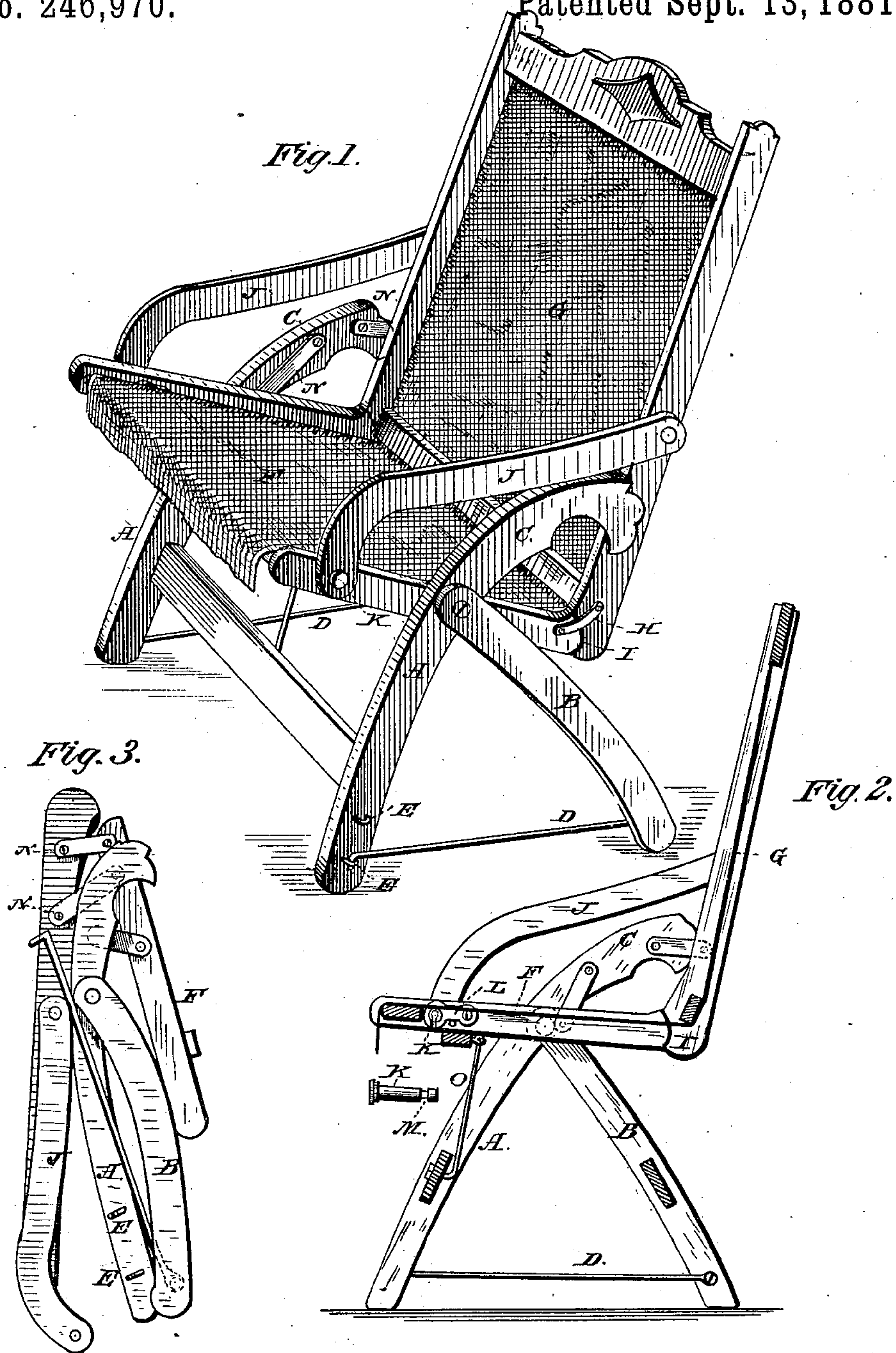


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES T. MITCHELL, of Monticello, in the county of Sullivan and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Folding Oscillating Chairs; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, 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, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to folding oscillating chairs of that class in which the seat and back are suspended by links, so as to be capable of swinging or rocking while the base is stationary; and it consists in certain improvements in the construction of the same, which will be hereinafter fully described, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view. Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view, and Fig. 3 is a view of the chair folded.

Corresponding parts in the several figures are denoted by like letters of reference.

A A and B B represent, respectively, the front and rear legs of the chair, the former of which extend in an upward and rearward direction from the pivoting-point, forming a bracket, C. Hooks D, pivoted to the back legs, are adjustable in any one of a series of openings or staples, E, in the front leg, or vice versa, thus enabling the legs to be spread to any desired extent, and holding them firmly when extended.

The seat F and back G are connected by pivoted links H, which enable them to be folded together. When unfolded or extended the rear end or edge of the seat enters a transverse notch or groove, I, at the lower end of the back, in which it is firmly supported, making a very durable and strong connection. The

arms J J are pivoted to the back, and connected detachably to the seat by means of a bolt or rivet, K, passing through the arm and seat-piece, and held in place by a catch, L, secured upon the inside of the seat-piece and adapted to engage a notch, M, cut in the bolt or rivet.

The seat and back are connected to the brackets formed by the upper ends of legs A by means of links N N, so adjusted that the chair-body shall be nicely balanced and be capable of swinging or rocking. Some suitable catch or other device, such as a hook, O, may be provided for the purpose of holding the seat steady and firm when it is not desired to rock.

By this invention a cheap, simple, and comfortable rocking-chair is provided, which is, moreover, capable of being folded into very compact shape.

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

1. The legs A B, pivoted together, as shown, the former projecting upward and rearward from the pivoting-point, so as to form a bracket, C, in combination with the folding chair-body F G J and the links N, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. The combination of the folding legs A B, forming, when extended, a stationary chair-support, the folding chair-body F G J, links N, and the hook O, all combined and operating substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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