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Fig 1.

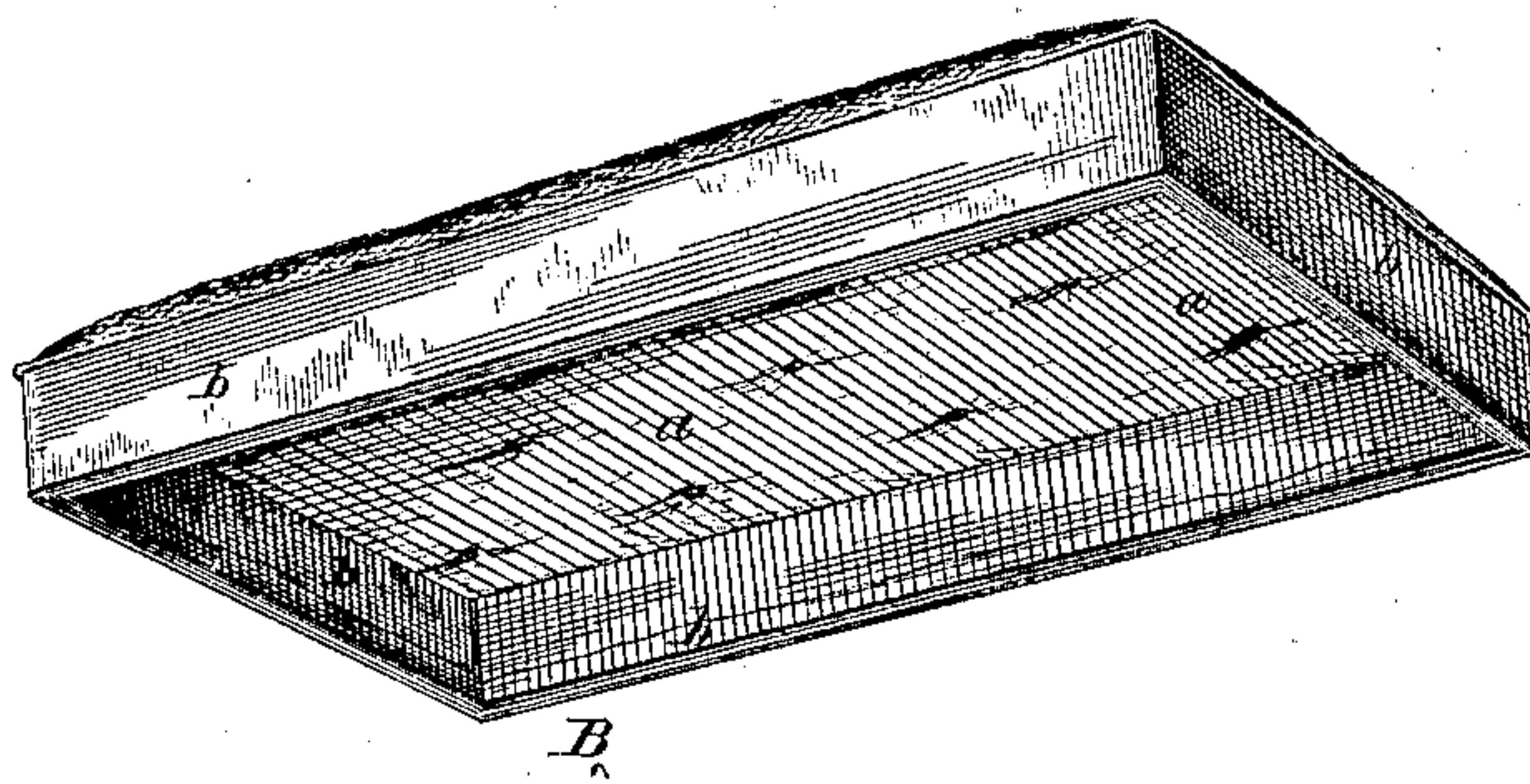
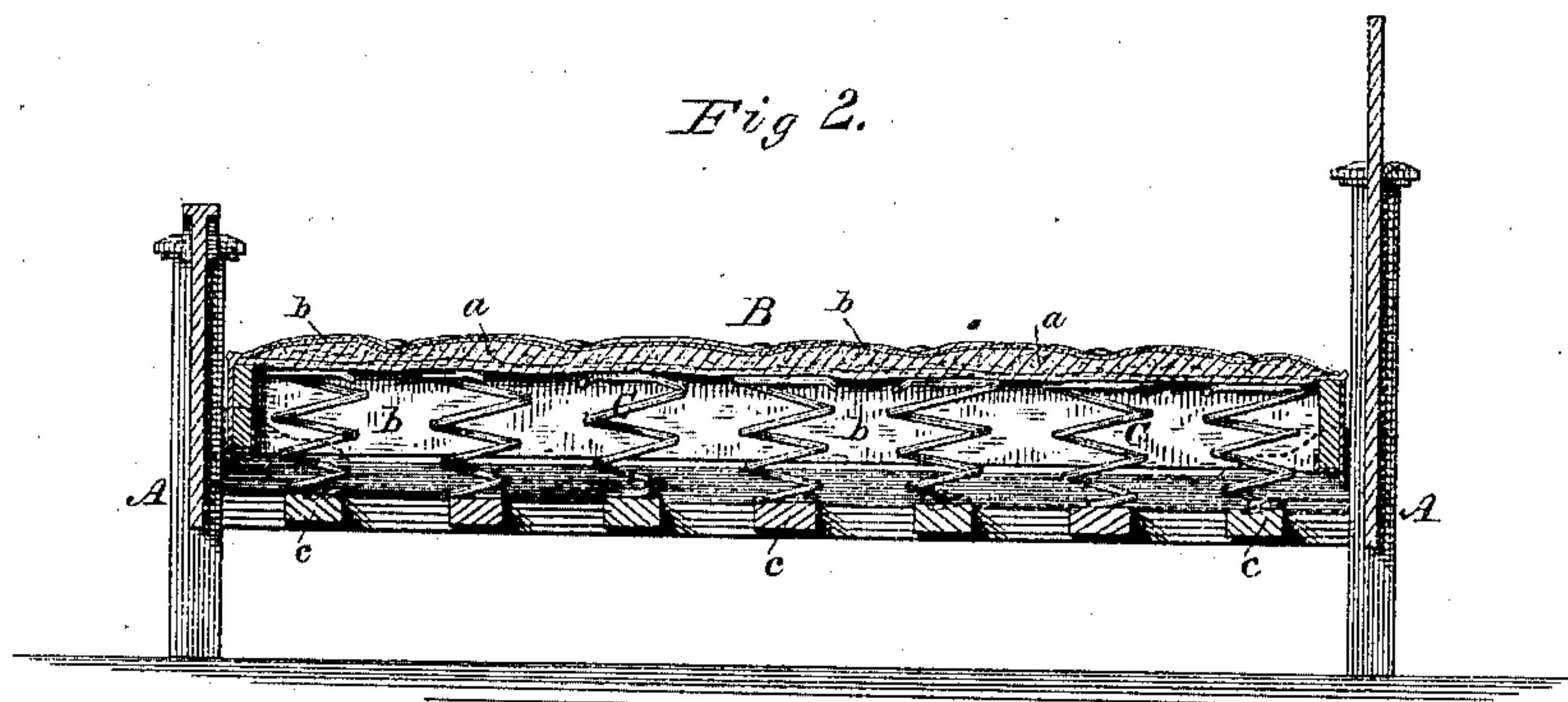


Fig 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE S. MOCK, a citizen of the United States, residing at Lebanon, in the county of Marion and State of Kentucky, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Mattresses; 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 appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters or figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to spring-mattresses; and it consists in the construction, adaptation, and application to the edges of a light thin mattress of a rigid drooping flange in such a manner as to form a bottomless box, the mattress forming the top thereof. This box-mattress, when placed over and around the outer rows of springs, forms a cover therefor and serves to secure them in place.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the drooping-flanged box-mattress, taken from a point below the plane of the mattress; and Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section of the mattress and bedstead, the mattress being shown resting upon spiral springs.

To the bedstead A are attached in the usual manner slats c. At stated intervals along these slats are located spiral springs C in the usual well-known manner.

The springs are covered and held in their respective places by a box-mattress, B, constructed as follows: To the edges of the flexible mattress a is attached a rigid drooping frame or flange, b, so constructed as to make,

in conjunction with the mattress, a box having rigid sides and flexible top. This mattress or flexible box top is made of the usual ticking, is lined with burlapped cloth, and is so arranged as to receive the benefit of the elasticity of the springs, which alone support the box-mattress. The mattress may further contain excelsior or hair and cotton tops, if desirable, so compactly put together as to leave no hiding-place for bugs.

This box-mattress is placed on the springs, the drooping flange b extending downward around the outer rows of the springs. By this peculiar construction the mattress can be made much lighter than usual, more uniformity of thickness can be secured, and lifting from the springs for the purposes of examination and cleaning is greatly facilitated. The rigid frame or drooping flange b also acts as a distributing agent of downward pressure on the springs, thus imparting to all the springs their proportion of weight.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

In combination with bed-springs C, the loosely-resting mattress B, consisting of the flexible top or cover a and rigid drooping sides b, constructed in such a manner as to be removable from the springs, for the purposes set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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