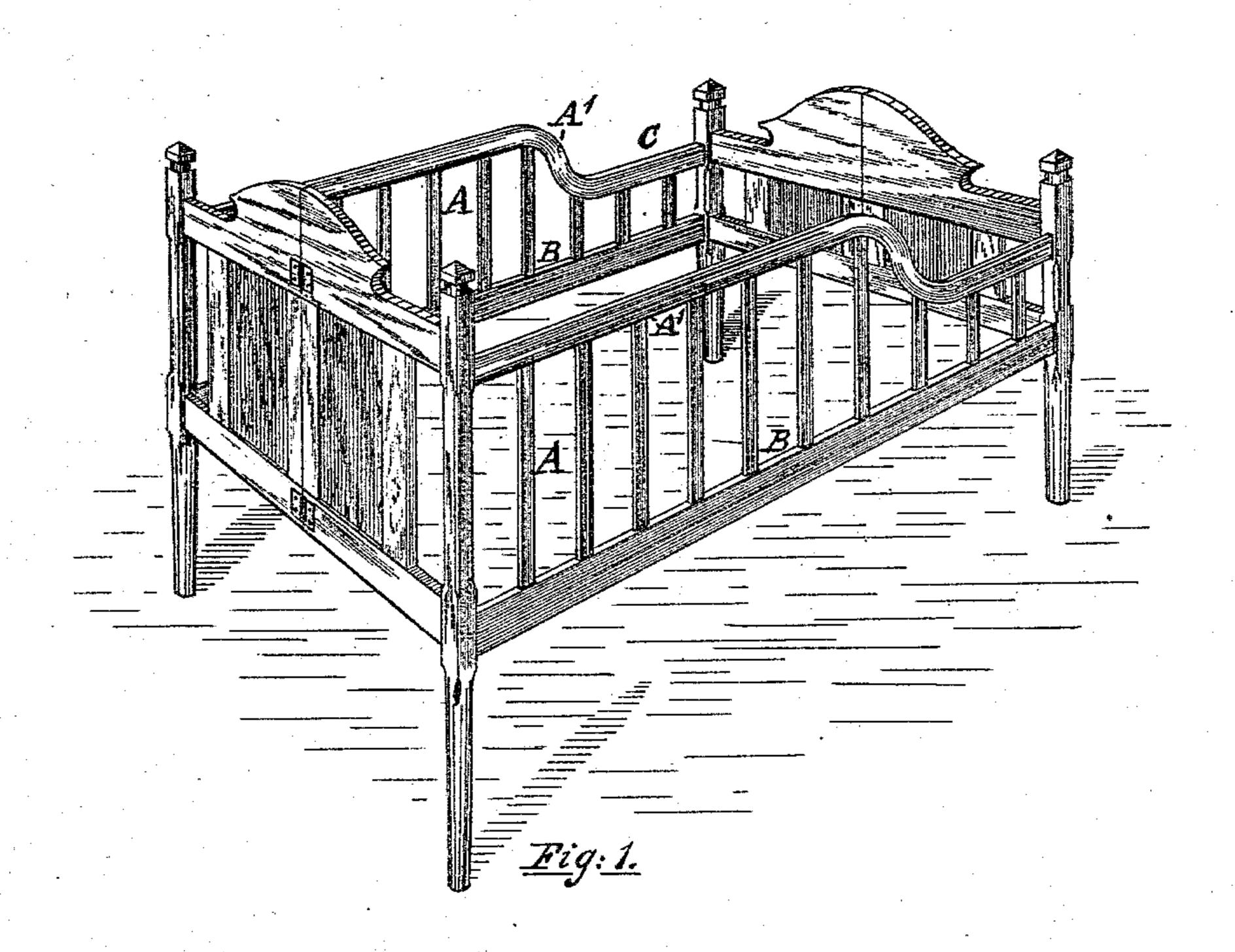
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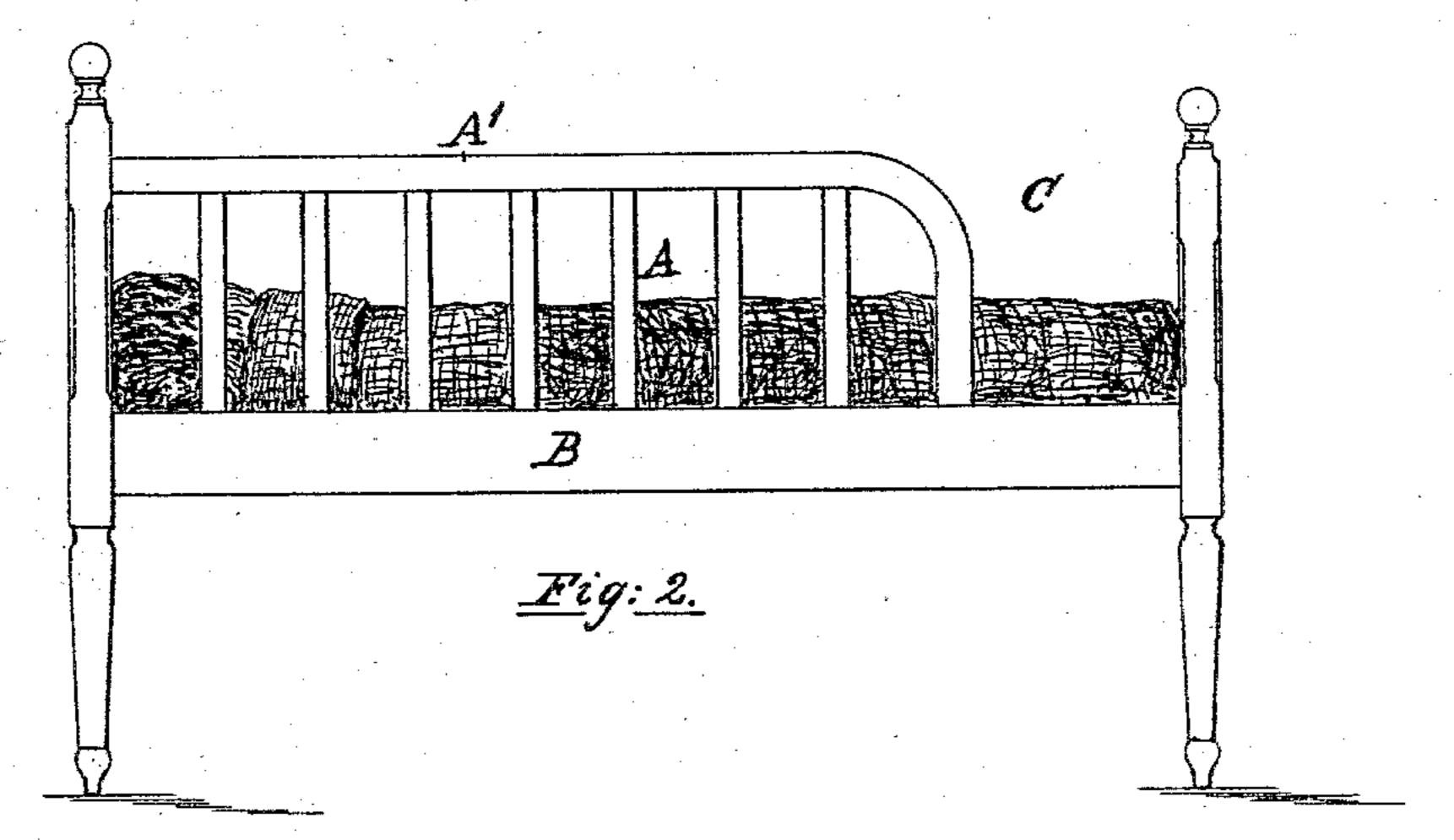
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES S. COMINS, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Concord, in the county of Merrimac and State of New Hampshire, have invented an Improvement in Folding Cribs, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this invention is to substitute for the ordinary hinged side rail commonly used upon folding cribs a side rail so formed as to do away with the necessity of hinges, and at the same time to serve the same purpose in a more simple, economical, and ornamental manner.

The improvement consists of the same parts which comprise the side rails in ordinary use, constructed somewhat differently, which construction permits the top and bottom pieces, into which the vertical slats are mortised, to be mortised or otherwise permanently fastened to the corner posts, forming part of the head and foot board of a crib.

I will here refer to the drawings, of which Figure 1 is a perspective view of an ordinary folding crib provided with my improved side rail. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of a folding crib provided with my improved side rail, showing a different form of construction from that shown in Fig. 1, and having therein the bed and bedding.

In the improved side rail, A, is provided an opening, commencing at the foot-board and extending twelve inches (more or less) toward

the head-board, so formed by means of a bend made in the top piece, A', which may be made 35 as shown in Fig. 1 of the drawings, (said bend being known to the trade as an "ogee curve;") or it may be more of a right-angle bend, and one end of said piece A' terminate at or be mortised into the top of the piece B of the 40 side rail, as shown in Fig. 2. The opening C thus formed in the side rail affords a handy and easy exit, and also retains for a child the same protection against falling out as do the side rails when made of a uniform height from 45 end to end, and as no hinges are used and less wood is required the improved side rail can be applied to folding cribs at less cost than can those in common use. The bend made in the piece A' should be such as to bring the 50. lowest part of the side rail, A, flush or nearly flush with the bedding, or else constructed as shown in Fig. 2.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters 55. Patent of the United States, is—

The combination, with a folding crib, of the wooden side rail, A, composed of the bent piece A' and the piece B, separated by vertical slats so arranged for the purpose of torming in said 60 side rail the space C, substantially as and for the purpose herein described and set forth.

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