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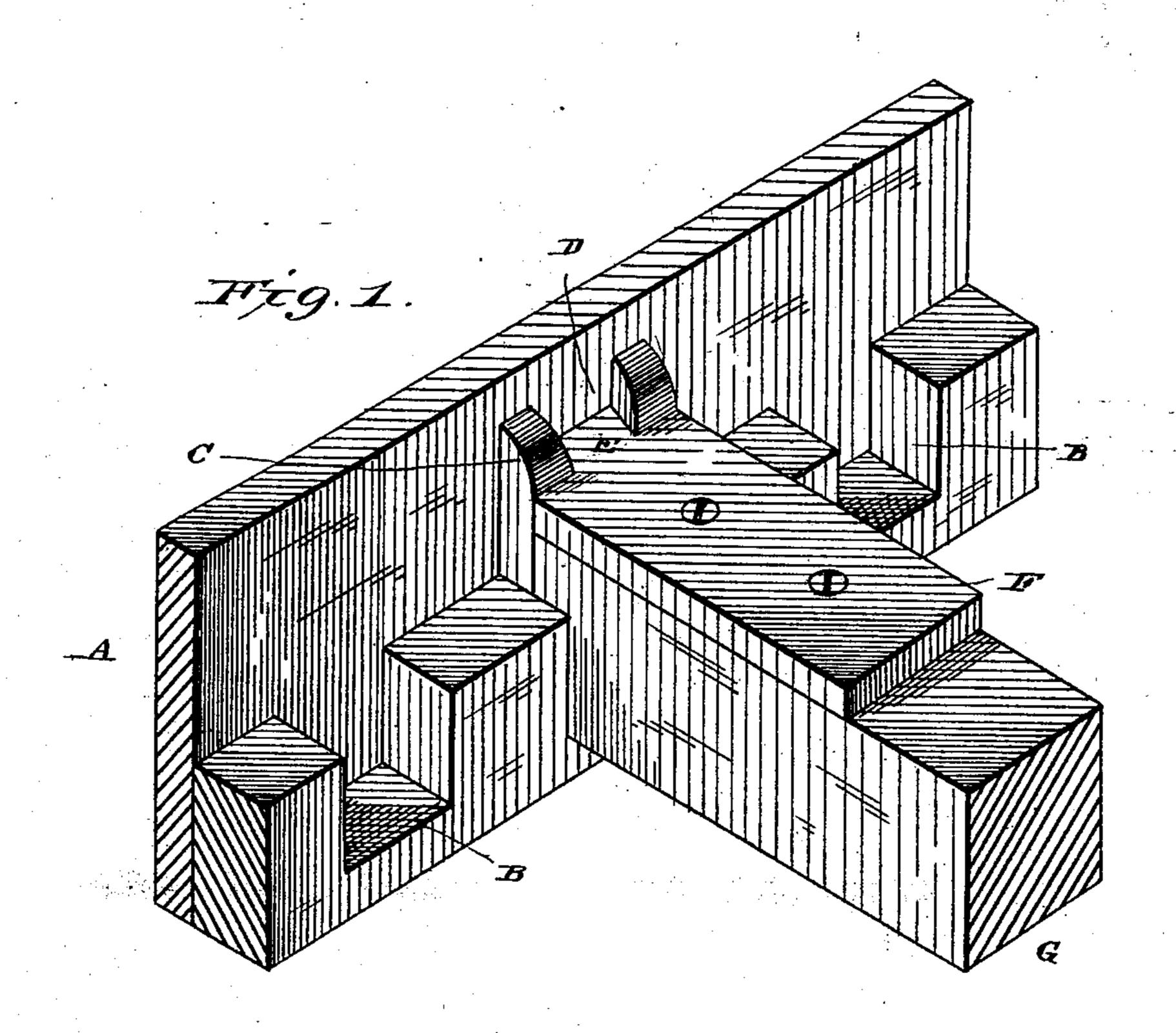
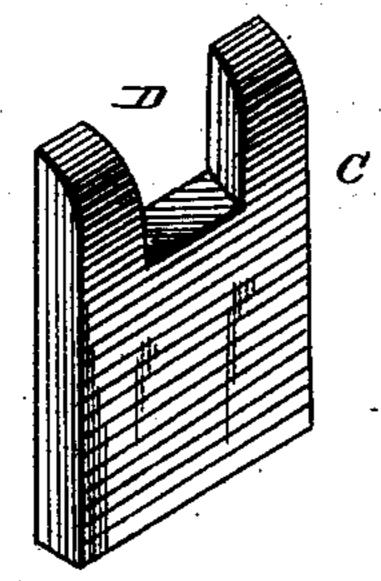
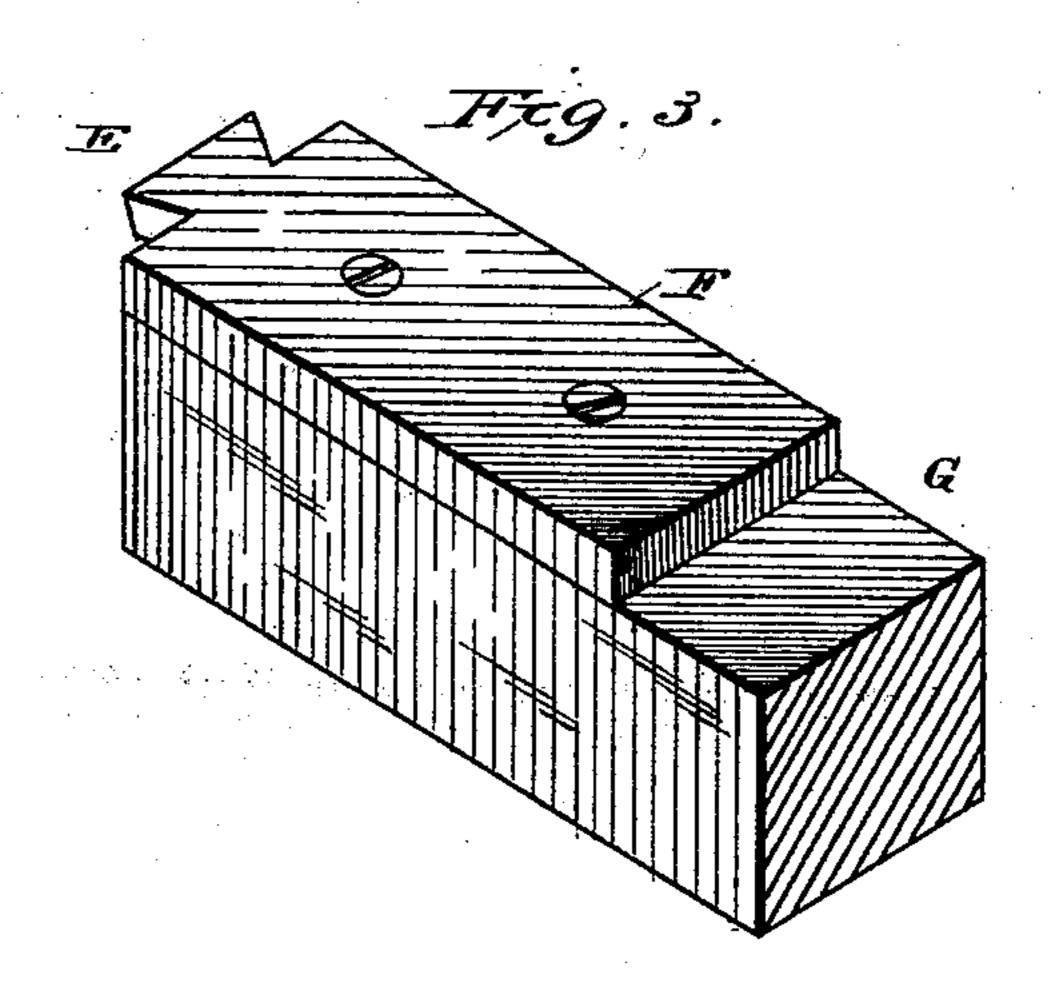


Fig. 2



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## BED-RAIL-SLAT LOCK.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, James H. Selby, a citizen of the United States, residing at Albion, in the county of Edwards and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bed-Rail-Slat Locks; and I do 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 and figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to certain improvements in bedsteads; and it has for its object to provide for locking the slats between the side rails, so as to prevent the said rails from springing apart and the slats from dropping out, as more fully hereinafter specified. This object I attain by the means illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of a portion of one of the side rails of a bedstead 25 and one of the slats thereof, showing my improved locking device; Fig. 2, a detached perspective view of a portion of the locking device; and Fig. 3 a detached perspective view of a portion of one of the slats, showing a part 30 of the locking device attached thereto.

The letter A indicates the side rail of a bed, which is provided with the usual slat-seats, B, at proper intervals.

The letter Cindicates a short section of wood, metal, or other material adapted to be secured 35 in the slat-seat and setting closely against the inner side of the rail. The said section, at its upper end, is provided with a beveled slot, D, into which is adapted to set the dovetailed tenon E at the end of an extension, F, of metal 40 or other material, at the end of the slat G, so as to securely interlock the parts of the bed-stead.

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The locking devices may be employed in connection with the central slat of the bed 45 alone or with any number of the slats, and it will be perceived that it will securely fasten the parts together and prevent the slats from becoming detached accidentally.

Having thus described my invention, what 50 I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination, with the side rails of a bedstead, of the sections seated in the slat-seats and provided with beveled slots, and the 55 slats having extensions provided with dovetailed tenons adapted to lock into the said beveled slots, substantially as and for the purposes specified.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in 60 presence of two witnesses.

JAMES H. SELBY.

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