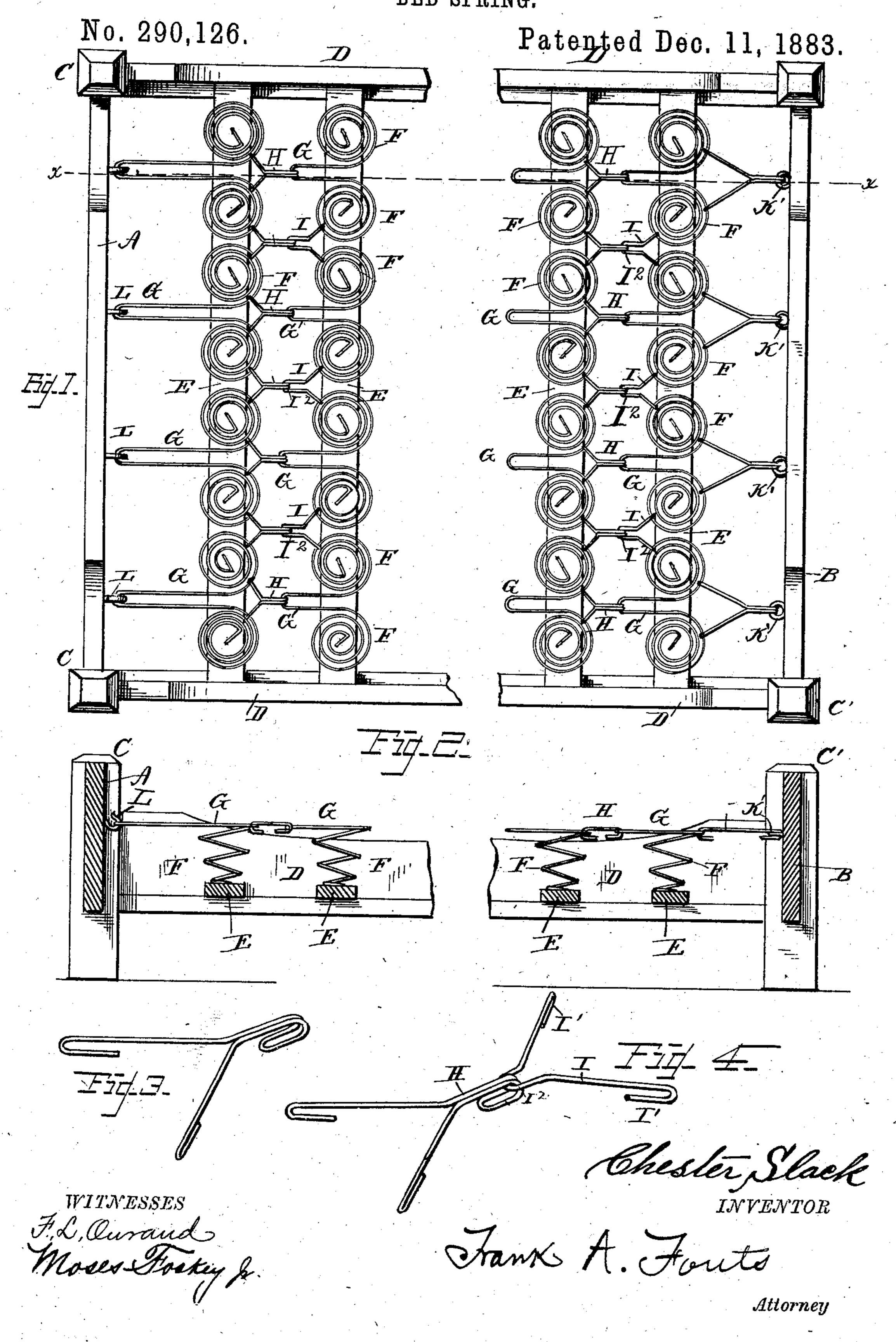
## C. SLACK. BED SPRING.



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## BED-SPRING.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Chester Slack, a citizen of the United States, residing at Waynesville, in the county of De Witt and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bed-Springs, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to bed-springs; and it consists in the parts which will be hereinafter described, and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a partial plan view of the bed provided with my improvements. Fig. 2 is a section on the line x x of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of one of the spring-connecting hooks. Fig. 4 represents a perspective view of the two hooks which engage each other, and are adapted to aid in securing the springs.

Like letters refer to like parts throughout the several views.

A represents the head of the bed, and B the foot-board thereof. C C' are the bed-posts.

D indicates the side bars, and E the slats. F F are spiral springs secured to the slats E. G G are the tongues uniting two of the springs F, and formed integral therewith.

H H H are three-armed hooks of similar construction, but used in different relations.

30 One of said hooks serves to connect the inner parts of the tongues G at the points where said parts diverge to form the top layers of the twin springs F F. Another of the hooks, H, is employed to unite the outer sides of the sides of two separate sets of twin springs. The hook H is also employed at the foot of the bed to unite the springs to the staples K'

in the foot-board. By this arrangement the lower row of springs are secured to the foot-40 board, and said springs are in turn secured to the row of springs immediately in advance, or to the next row, by means of their tongues and the hooks H.

I is a device having hook-arms I' I' and loop- 45 end I<sup>2</sup>. This device, united with one of the arms of a hook, H, presents four arms, whereby the sides of four of the springs are engaged and held in uniform relation.

L are hooks in the head-board which en- 50 gage and secure the tongues on the upper row of springs. It will thus be observed that the springs are firmly secured lengthwise and sidewise; or, in other words, the springs and their connecting means present a substantial wire 55 net-work from the head to the foot of the bed.

The tongues and the triangular hooks unite to maintain the springs in their proper relative positions and secure a uniform tension of the parts.

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

The combination, with a supporting-frame, of a series of double springs, F F, having the 65 connecting-tongue G, one row being attached to one side of the supporting-frame, hooks H I connecting the succeeding rows, as described, to each other and to the opposite side of the frame, as and for the purposes set forth.

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

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