

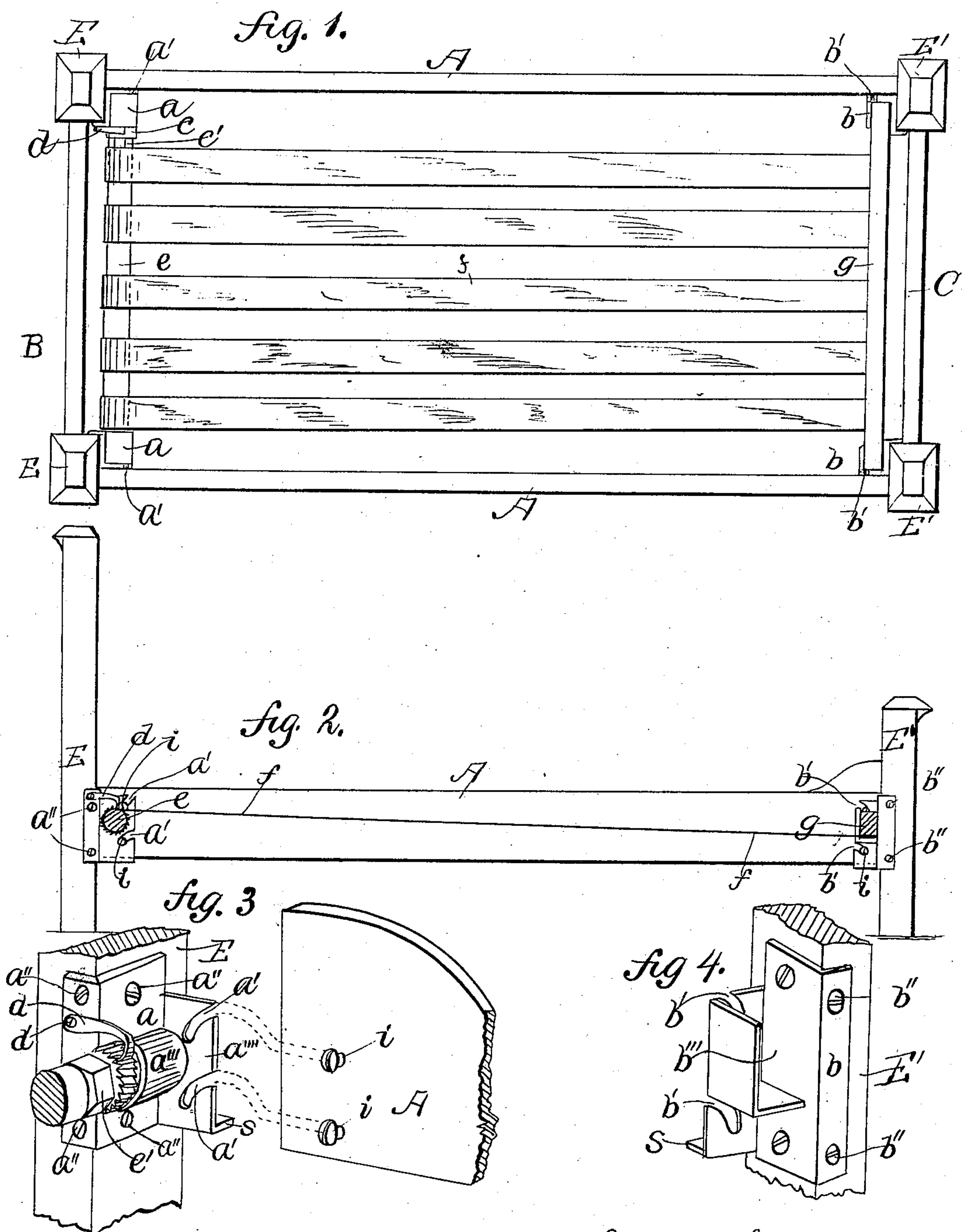
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JEREMIAH GARRARD, a citizen of the United States, residing at Muncie, in the county of Delaware and State of Indiana, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Bedsteads, of which the following is a description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to improvements in bedsteads, and the objects of my invention are to construct and arrange devices and mechanism for securing the ends of the rails to the posts and firmly binding the bedstead together lengthwise. I attain these objects by the mechanism illustrated by the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a view looking down from a' over a bedstead provided with my invention. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section of the same, and Figs. 3 and 4 are detail views.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

To the inside of head-posts E E are secured metal fastenings *a a*, which are made in the form shown in Fig. 3, so that they are secured to the inside corner of the posts by screws *a''*, all as shown in said figure. The said fastenings are each provided with a round socket, *a'''*, for receiving the ends of the roller *e*, which extends across the front end of the bed, and is provided with a wrench-section, *e'*, and ratchet *e*, all as shown in Figs. 1, 2, and 3. Each of the said fastenings *a* is provided with an outward-turned part, *a''''*, having a projection, *s*, and slots *a' a'*, as shown in Fig. 3. The rear posts, E' E', are each provided with a fastening, *b*, made the same as the fastenings *a*, except the socket or cup *b'''* is made open on top and square instead of round, all as shown in Fig. 4, the said fastenings *b* having slots *b' b'* and projections *s*, and secured to the posts E' by screws *b''*, all as shown in said figure. The

rails A A are provided at each end with two screws, *i i*, set in the wood a proper distance apart, so as to engage and rest in the lower part of the slots *a' b'* when the lower edge of the rail rests on the projection or foot *s*, as indicated by dotted lines in Fig. 3. A bar, *g*, is placed across the foot of the bed, each end resting in the sockets *b'''*, as shown in Fig. 1, and a roller, *e*, is placed across the head of the bed, each end resting in the sockets *a'''* in the fastenings *a*. Strips *f*, of metal or cloth, are secured to the bar *g* and roller *e*, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, and a wrench is then placed over the six-square band *e'* (or wrench section) and the roller turned over, winding the strips *f* around it, and being prevented from turning backward by the pawl *d*. The head and foot boards B C are drawn together, pressing the posts E E' firmly against the ends of the rails A and holding them in that position, thereby forming a substantial fastening that can be kept firm and unyielding by turning the roller sufficient whenever it is necessary.

Sufficient strips *f* (or any other material) may be used to connect the bar and roller together so as to form a bed-bottom; but such I do not claim as my invention.

Having thus fully described my invention, I do claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, as follows:

A bedstead provided with fastenings *a b*, having slots *a' b'*, sockets *a''' b'''*, and projections *s*, the side rails, A, bar *g*, and roller *e*, secured to said fastenings, and the said bar *g* and roller *e* secured together with strips *f*, whereby the said bedstead is firmly bound together lengthwise, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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