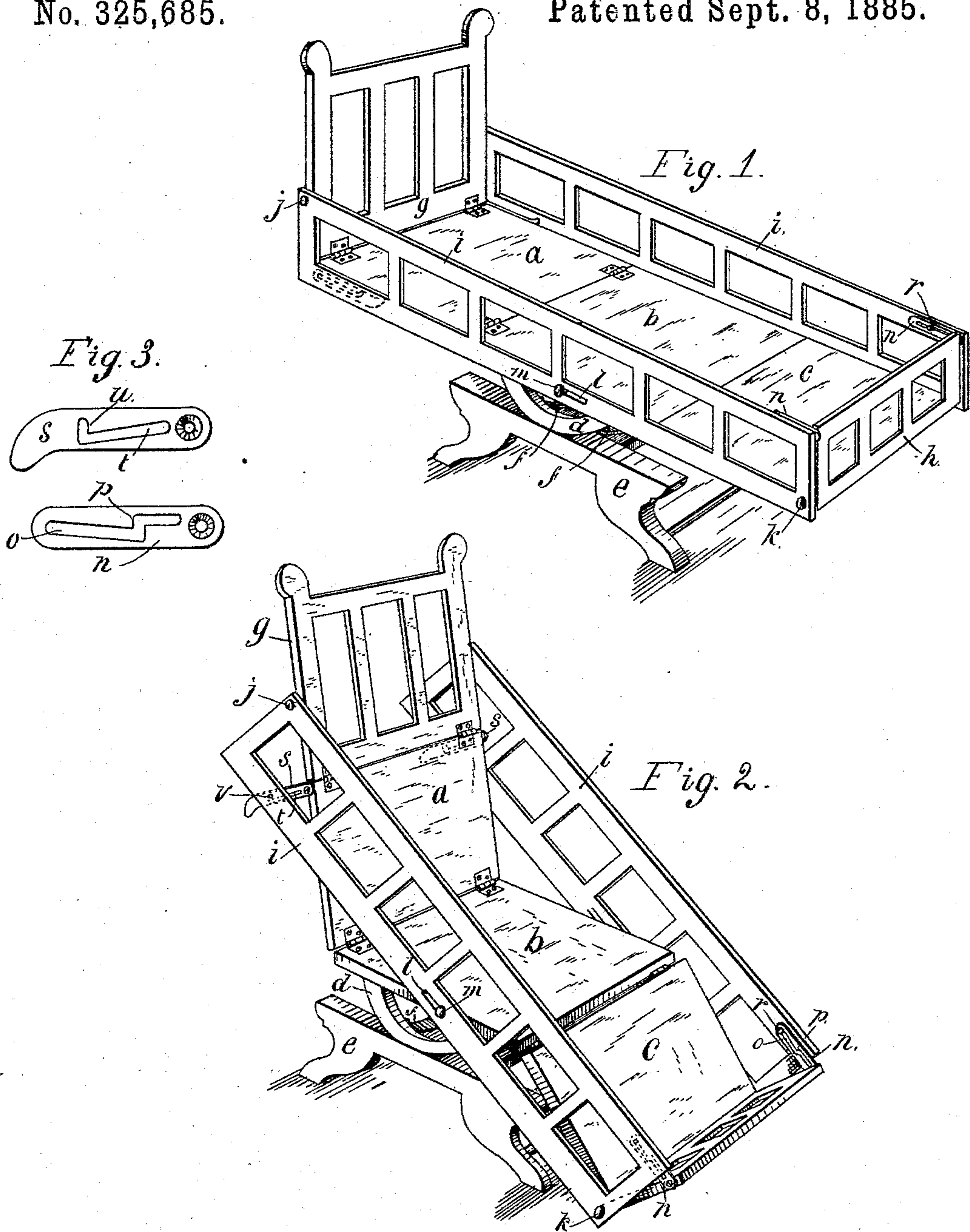


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ELIAS E. MATTHEWS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Indianapolis, in the county of Marion and State of Indiana, have invented a new and useful Combined Crib and Chair, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an improved construction in a child's crib, whereby it is also adapted to be used as a chair.

The accompanying drawings illustrate my invention.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my device as a crib. Fig. 2 is a similar view as a chair. Fig. 3 is an enlarged view of the fastening-plates.

The bottom of the crib is formed of three pieces, *a*, *b*, and *c*.

Piece *c* is provided at each edge, on the under side, with a rocker, *d*, and said rockers are connected with a base-frame, *e*, so as to rock thereon by flat springs, (seen at *f f*,) in the usual well-known manner.

Piece *a* is hinged to one end of *b* so as to swing upward, and *c* is hinged to the opposite end of *b* so as to swing downward. To the outer end of *a* is hinged the head-board *g*, and to the outer end of *c* is rigidly secured, at right angles to *c*, the foot-board *h*.

The side frames, *i i*, are each pivoted to the head-board *g* at an upper corner, as seen at *j*, and are also pivoted to the foot-board at the corner diagonally opposite to *j*, as seen at *k*. Each of the side frames has a slot, *l*, in the lower edge, through which a bolt or pin, *m*, passes into the bottom piece, *b*, the construction being such that said bolt is rigid in the piece *b*, and the side piece slides freely on the bolt.

The device is locked in the position shown in Fig. 1 by means of a pair of plates, *n n*, one of which is shown enlarged in Fig. 3. One of said plates is pivoted to each end of the foot-board near the top edge. Said plate has a slot, *o*, in which is an offset, *p*, which engages a pin, *r*, projecting from the inside of said frame. On releasing the plates *n n* from their respective pins *r* and pushing downward on the foot-board the device assumes the position

shown in Fig. 2, the side frames acting as levers, having their fulcrum at *m*, the slot *l* permitting the necessary longitudinal movement of the side frames. In this position, *b* forms the seat of the chair, *a* and *g* the back, and *c* and *h* the foot-rest. The length of the slot *o* in plates *n n* is such that the end of the slot rests on the pin *r* and partially sustains the foot-board.

For the purpose of locking the device in the position shown in Fig. 2, a pair of plates, *s s*, one of which is shown enlarged in Fig. 3, are pivoted to opposite sides of piece *b* near its outer edge. Each of said plates has a slot, *t*, in which is an offset, *u*, which engages a pin projecting inward from the side frame at *v*, thus preventing the hinged edges of *a* and *g* from bending backward, and forming with the side frames, *i i*, rigid side braces.

I claim as my invention—

1. The combination, with the bottom having three parts hinged together, the head-board hinged to the bottom, and the foot-board rigidly secured thereto, of a pair of side frames pivoted at diagonally-opposite corners to the head and foot boards, and pins projecting from opposite edges of the bottom and engaging slots in said side frames, whereby the head-board is raised when the foot-board is depressed, substantially as set forth.

2. In a combined crib and chair, the combination, with the seat and its support, of bottom piece, *c*, foot-board *h*, side pieces, *i i*, and pins projecting therefrom, of a pair of plates, *n n*, each having slot *o*, provided with an offset, *p*, adapted to engage said pins, all substantially as and for the purpose specified.

3. In a combined crib and chair, the combination, with the seat and its support, of piece *a*, head-board *g*, hinged thereto, side frames, *i i*, and pins projecting therefrom, of a pair of plates, *s s*, having slot *t* and offset *u*, adapted to engage said pins, all substantially as and for the purpose specified.

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