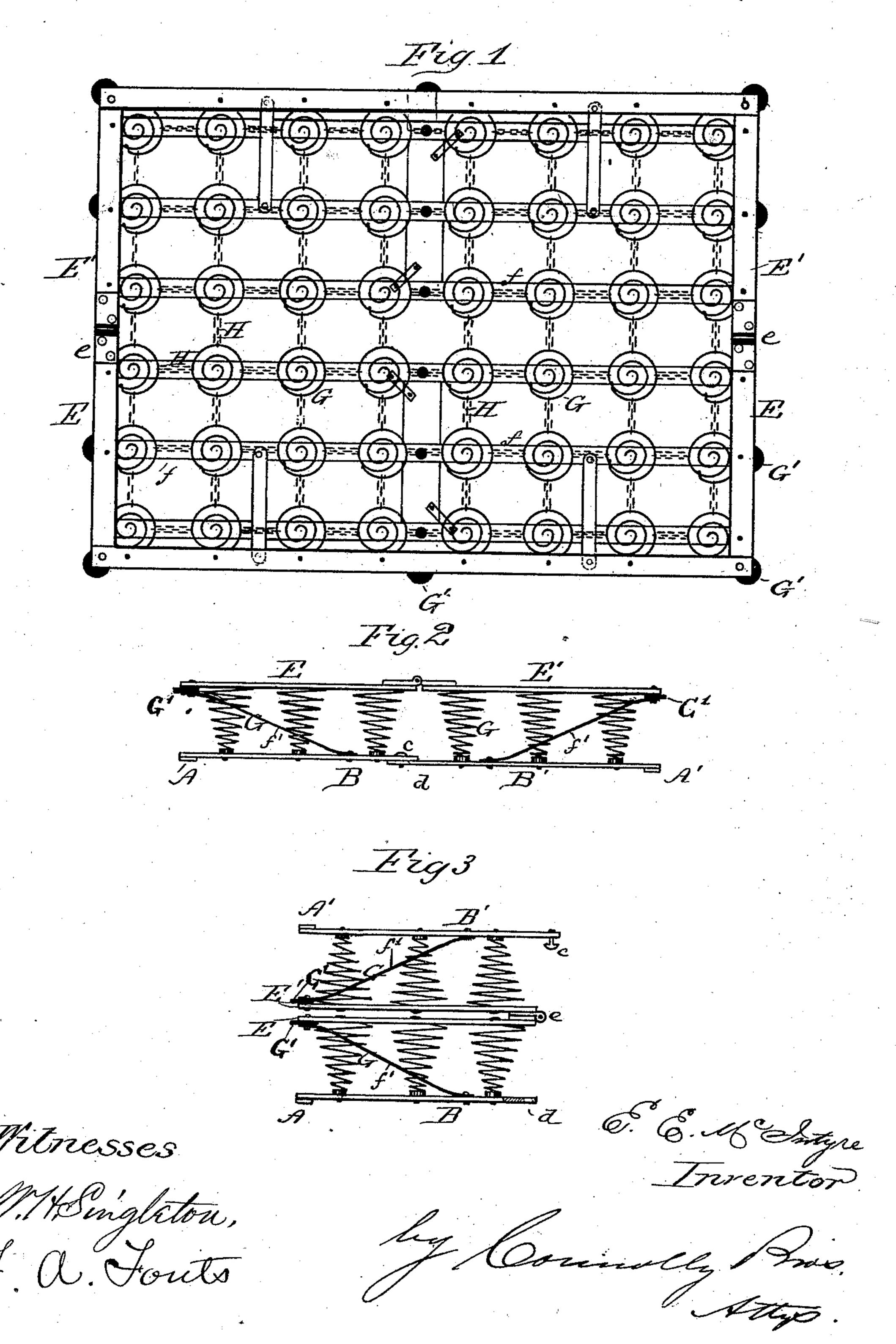
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SPRING BED-BOTTOM.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ELMER E. McIntyre, of Pittsburg, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Spring Bed-Bottoms; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view of a bed-bottom embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is an end view of the bed opened out. Fig. 3 is an end view

of the same folded.

This invention has relation to spring bed-bottoms of that class wherein a series of spiral springs are located between two horizontal skeleton frames comprising side and end bars secured together at the corners by riveting together the overlapping portions. Bed-bottoms of this class are usually made of standard sizes, and hence fit within the side and end rails of a bedstead with varying degrees of accuracy.

The object of my invention is to prevent the rails of the bed from being defaced by the abrasion or scratching caused by bed-bottoms of inaccurate fit, as well as to prevent the grinding or rattling caused by the movement of the bed-bottom against the wood work of the bedstead.

My invention accordingly consists in the combination, with the upper and lower slatted portions of a spring bed-bottom, and with the oblique braces by which the upper framework is supported on the lower frame, of indiarubber cushions secured to the sides of the upper frame between the ends of the braces and the surface of the side slats, and projecting laterally beyond the edges of the slats a sufficient distance to form guards, which will prevent the frame from coming in contact with the side and end rails of the bedstead.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, A A' represent the side bars of the bottom frame, which consist of strips or slats of metal secured at their ends to the cross or end pieces, 50 B B', the latter being preferably made in two parts or sections, so that the bed may be folded

for transportation. The side and end pieces of the frame are secured together by suitable rivets.

E E' designate the side and end slats of the 55 upper frame, which are also secured together at their corners by rivets. This upper frame is made in two sections connected together at the middle of the end bars by hinges. Between the upper and lower frames are located 60 the spiral springs G, secured in place and supported in any suitable manner. f'f' designate strips of metal extending in a lateral direction from the under sides of the end pieces of the upper frame, to which they are riveted, 65 to the end pieces of the lower frame, to which they are also riveted, as shown. Between the upper and outer ends of the strips f' f' and the under surface of the upper frame are located the india-rubber cushions G'G', which 70 consist of sections of sufficiently thick sheetrubber or of washers of the same material. These cushions are situated at the corners of the upper frame, and if desirable, at points midway between the ends, and are of sufficient 75 size to project beyond the edges of the upper frame in such a manner as to come in contact with the wood-work of the bed and prevent the latter from being cut or defaced by the sharp edges of the frame, and also to prevent 80 the frame from moving about and making unpleasant noises.

I am aware that it is not new to use a buffer or protection for the bed-frames on the ends or sides of spring bed-bottoms, and I do not, 85 therefore, broadly claim the same.

Having described my invention, I claim— In a spring bed-bottom formed of two skeleton metallic frames with interposed spiral springs, the combination, with the upper frame, 90 of the rubber cushions G', secured between the end and side bars of said frame, and fastened by means of the rivets which unite said bars together, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as 95 my own I have hereto affixed my signature in

presence of two witnesses.

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