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CHILD'S BEDSTEAD.

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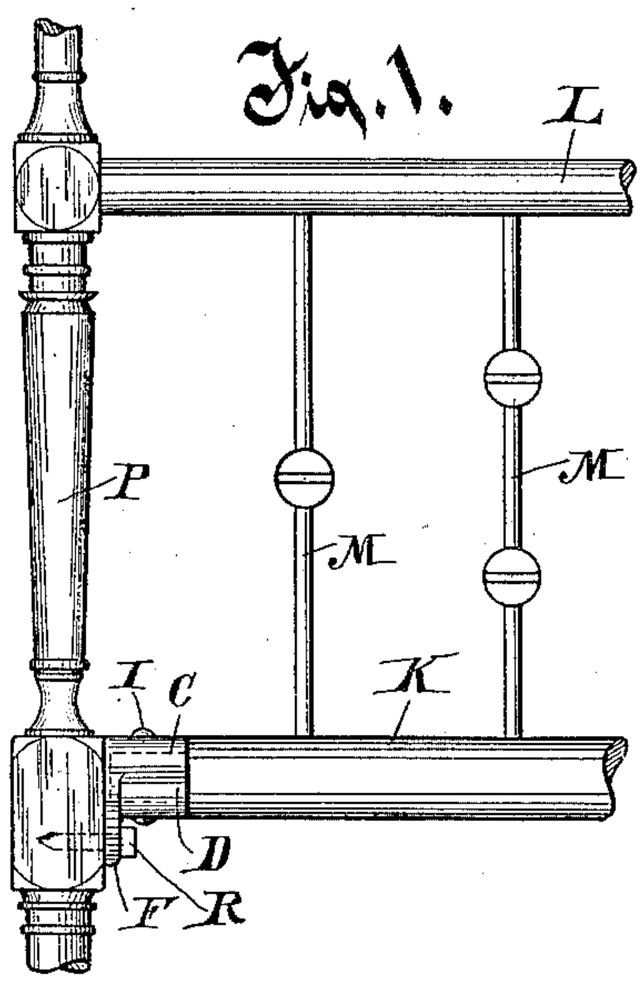
Fig. 1.



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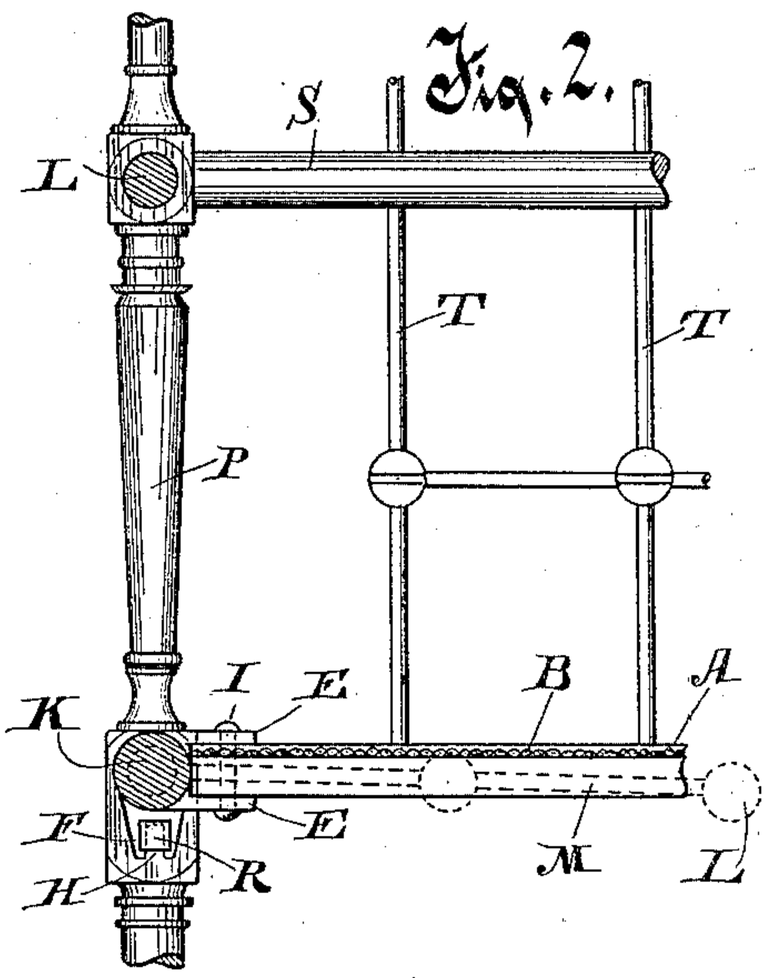

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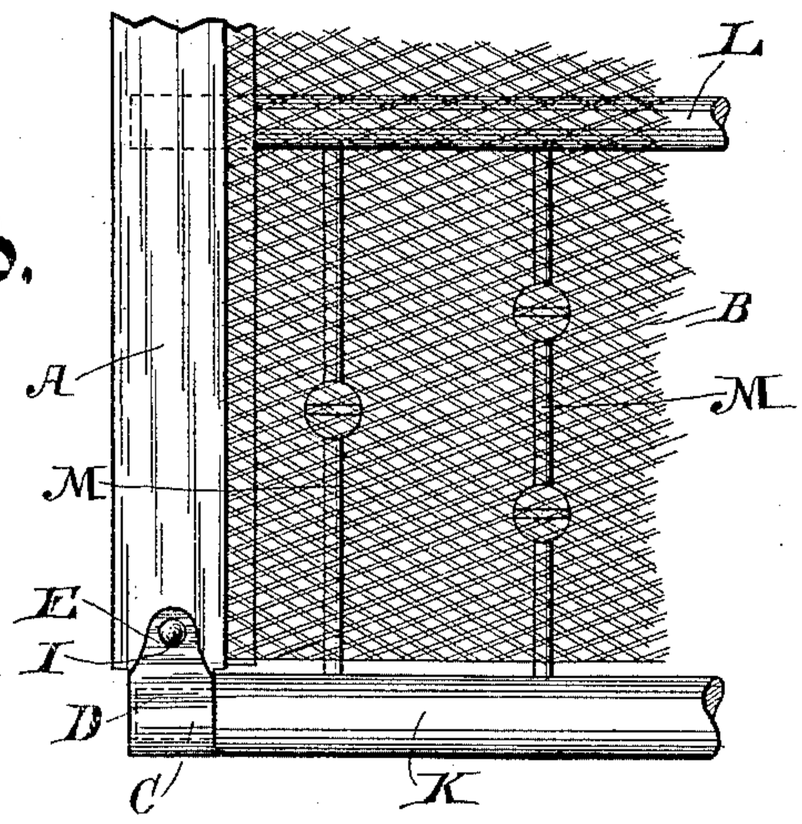
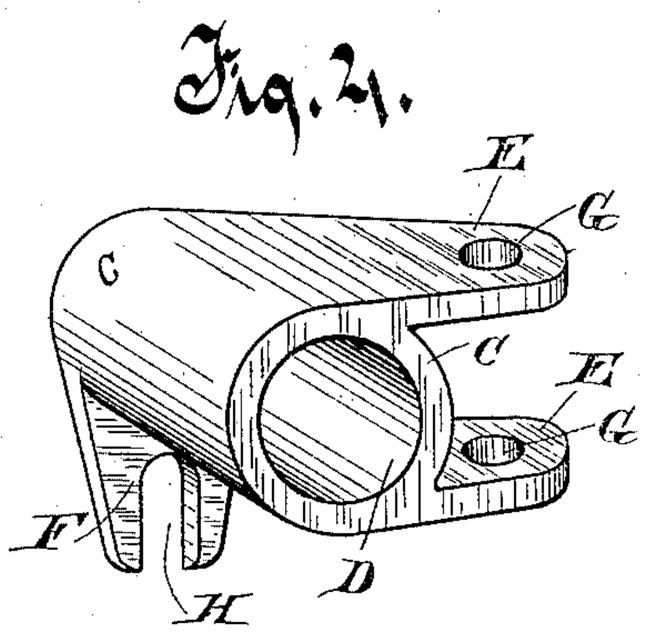


Fig. 2a.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRED C. HANNAHS, of Kenosha, in the county of Kenosha and State of Wisconsin, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Children's Bedsteads, of which the following is a description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which are a part of this specification.

My invention relates to improvements in a child's bedstead; and it consists in the devices used therewith by the construction and arrangement of which the bedstead is readily put together and is firmly held in position, while at the same time providing for packing the bedstead for shipping in a compact and desirable form.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a small portion or corner of a child's bedstead in which my invention is used and is shown in connection therewith. Fig. 2 is a view of the same parts of the bedstead shown in Fig. 1, but at right angles thereto, some portions being shown in section and other parts being indicated in dotted lines. Fig. 3 is a top plan view of the same corner of the bedstead shown in Figs. 1 and 2, the corner-post being omitted. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of my improved device used in connection with the bedstead as a combined coupling-hinge and latch.

In the drawings, A is an end rail, to which the mattress B is secured at one end. A similar rail is used at the other end of the bedstead, and the mattress is secured thereto in a similar manner.

My improved device (shown in Fig. 4) is substantially a bracket constructed of cast metal, and consists of the short cylinder C, having a cylindrical socket D, the horizontal lugs E E, at a little distance apart projecting laterally from the cylinder C, and the lug F, projecting vertically from the cylinder at one end. The lugs E E are provided with bolt-holes G G, and the lug F is provided with a recess H. One of these brackets is used at each of the four corners of the bedstead. The lugs E E are fitted onto the end of the end rail A, the rail being received in the space between them, and the bracket is secured thereto by bolt I. The two ends of the side rail K, there being one at each side of the bed, are tenoned revolubly in the sockets D D. These side rails are provided with upper guard-rails L, supported thereon and secured thereto by spindles M M. The posts P, one at each corner, are secured to and support the rails A and K by means of headed bolts R, fixed in the post, the heads of the bolts being located a little way out from the posts, so that the lugs F are placed upon and about the shanks of the bolts which are received in the recesses H, the heads of the bolts bearing against the outer surfaces of the lugs. By this construction, the rails K being revoluble in the cylinder C, the guard-rails L can be raised to positions directly above the rails K, or can be swung outwardly and inwardly against the mattress B on the under side for packing, in the manner shown in Figs. 2 and 3. The rails K K are readily removed from the posts P by raising the lugs F off from the bolts R. The posts P are also provided with end guard-rails S, and spindles T are fixed therein and in other end rails inserted in the posts, but not shown in the drawings in this case.

In packing the bedstead the posts P, with their end rails and spindles, may be laid upon the folded mattress and rails L and K in compact form for transportation.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A metal bracket having a cylindrical socket, two lugs, one at each side, projecting tangentially therefrom parallel with each other and with a plane of the axis of the socket, and a lug projecting from the bracket at one end, the plane of the face of the lug cutting the extension of the cylindrical socket transversely, which lug has a recess for the reception of a bolt therein, substantially as described.

2. The combination, with an end and side rail of a bedstead, of a bracket secured to one rail by and through the lugs of the bracket, the other rail being inserted revolubly in a socket therefor in the bracket at right angles to the rail to which the bracket is permanently secured, and a post having a headed bolt fixed therein and secured to the rails removably by a lug on the coupling-bracket, which lug is provided with a recess in which the shank of the bolt is received, substantially as described.

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

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