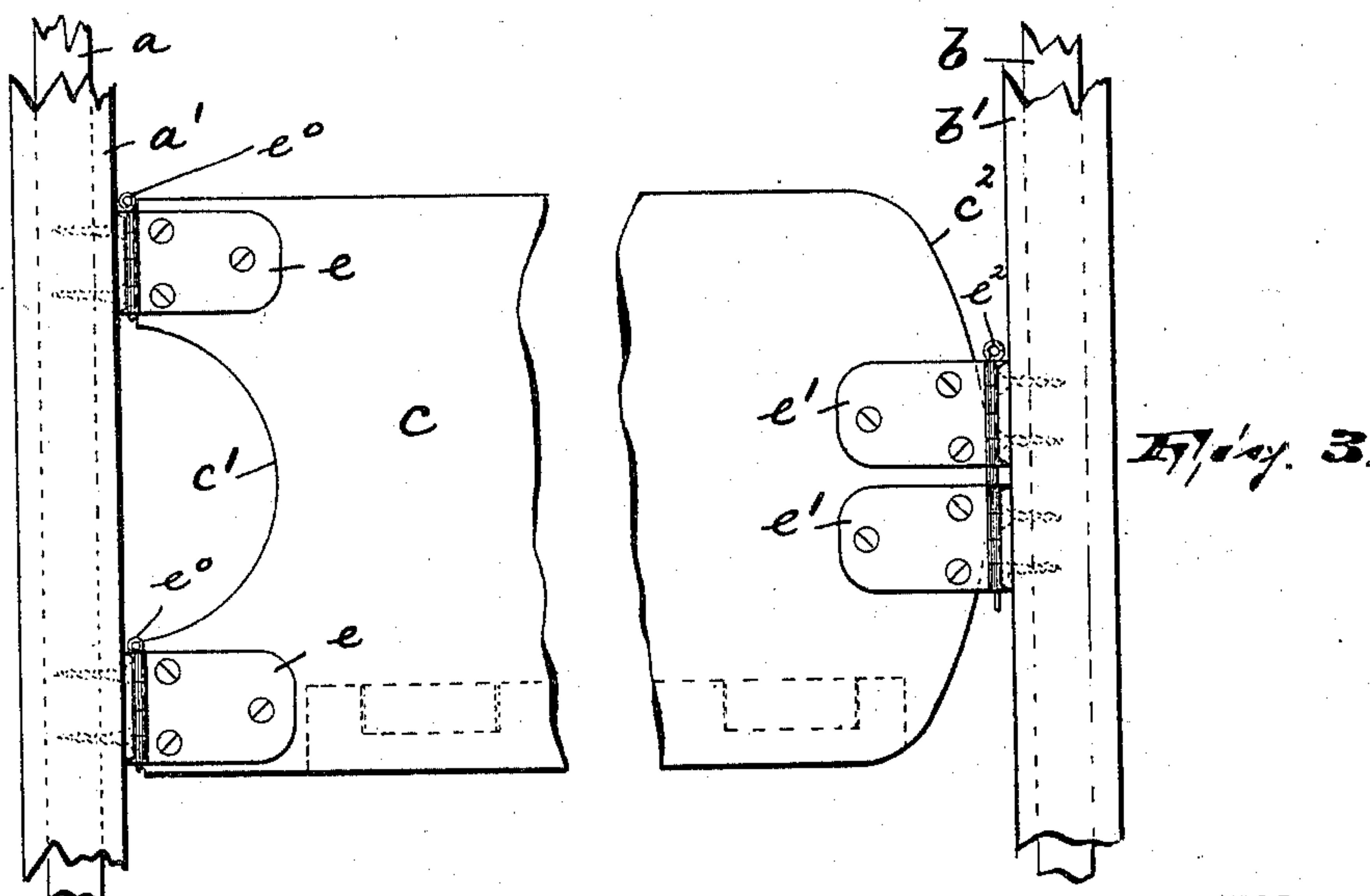
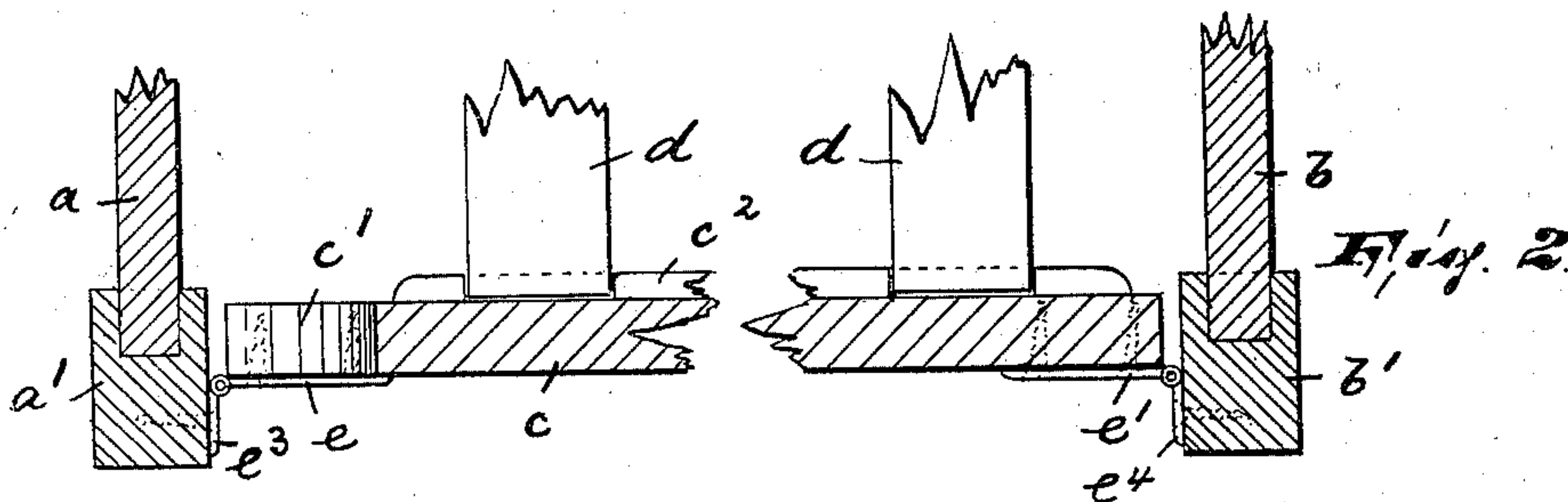
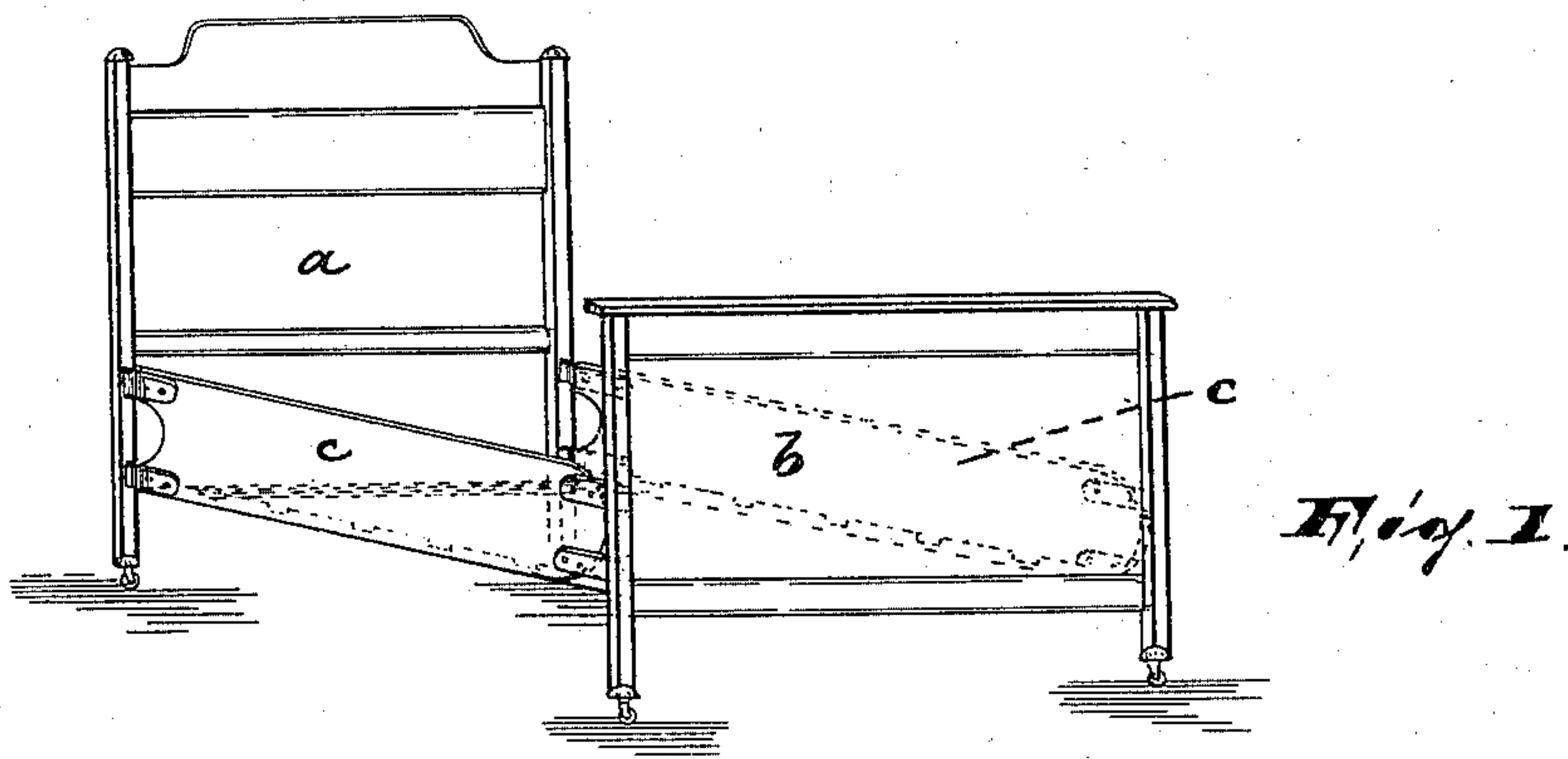


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FERDINAND SCHWEIZER, a citizen of the United States, residing in Paterson, county of Passaic, and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bedsteads; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The object of this invention is to provide a bedstead neat in appearance, of simple, strong, and durable construction, and which bedstead can be easily taken apart and put together and in which unnecessary corners or recesses are avoided, to thus prevent the breeding of vermin, such as bedbugs, &c.

The invention consists in the improved bedstead and in the combination and arrangements of the various parts, substantially as will be hereinafter more fully described, and finally embodied in the clauses of the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a bedstead provided with my improvements; Fig. 2, an enlarged central horizontal section of one of its side rails, partly broken away, and also illustrating the adjoining portions of the head and foot boards; and Fig. 3, a front elevation of the parts shown in Fig. 2.

In said drawings, *a* represents the head and *b* the foot board, provided with the posts *a'* and *b'*, respectively, as of the usual construction. The side rails *c c* are connected with the posts *a' a'* and *b' b'* by means of hinges in a manner hereinafter described. Each of said side rails *c* is provided at one end with a curved recess *c'*, while its other end is rounded off, as at *c²*, to provide as large a space as is practicable between the ends of said side rails *c* and their adjoining posts without impairing the strength of the bedstead. To the recessed end of each side rail *c* and adjoining its recessed portion are secured the straps *e e*, in alignment with the butts *e³ e³* on the post *a'* and removably secured together by pins *e⁰ e⁰*, thus furnishing a hinged connection between the side rails *c* and their respective posts *a'*. On each side of the center line and on the

rounded end *c²* of each side rail *c* are secured the straps *e' e'*, connected by a pin *e²* with the butts *e⁴ e⁴*, which latter are secured on the post *b'*, as clearly illustrated in the drawings. At or near the lower inner portion of each side rail *c* is arranged a strip provided at certain intervals with recesses adapted to receive and hold in position the ends of the slats *d*, as in the usual and well-known manner.

It will be manifest that no recesses are required in the posts *a' b'* as in bedsteads of ordinary construction, and on account of the side rails *c* being connected to said posts by means of loose pin-hinges the parts constituting the bedstead can be easily and readily taken apart for cleaning purposes. Moreover, a certain space is left between the ends of the side rails *c c* and posts *a' b'*, thereby avoiding unnecessary corners or recesses wherein vermin of any description may be harbored, as will be manifest.

It must be remarked that the rounded-off portions of the side rails are arranged adjacent to the footboard, thus allowing the bedsheet, quilt, and bedspread to be conveniently placed over said rounded portions, thus avoiding the necessity of tucking said bedsheet, quilt, and spread into the corners formed by the footboard and side rails of the bedstead.

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

1. As a new article of manufacture, a side rail for a bedstead having that end which is to be placed adjacent to the headboard provided with a central curved recess; while the end which is to be placed adjacent to the footboard is rounded off, substantially as and for the purposes described.

2. The combination with the posts of the head and foot boards of a bedstead, of side rails removably connected with said posts, each of said side rails being provided at the end adjacent to the headboard with a central recess, while the end adjacent to the footboard is rounded off, and loose pin-hinges secured to said side rails and posts respectively, substantially as and for the purposes described.

3. The combination with the posts of the head and foot boards of a bedstead, of side

rails removably connected with said posts,
each of said side rails being provided at the
end adjacent to the headboard with a central
recess, while the end adjacent to the foot-
5 board is rounded off, straps secured to the
recessed ends of said side rails and on each
side of its recessed portion, butts on the posts
of the headboard and in alinement with said
straps, pins removably connecting said straps
10 and butts, and loose pin-hinges secured to the

rounded ends of said side rails and to the posts
of the footboard respectively, substantially
as and for the purposes described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I
have hereunto set my hand this 20th day of 15
August, 1897.

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