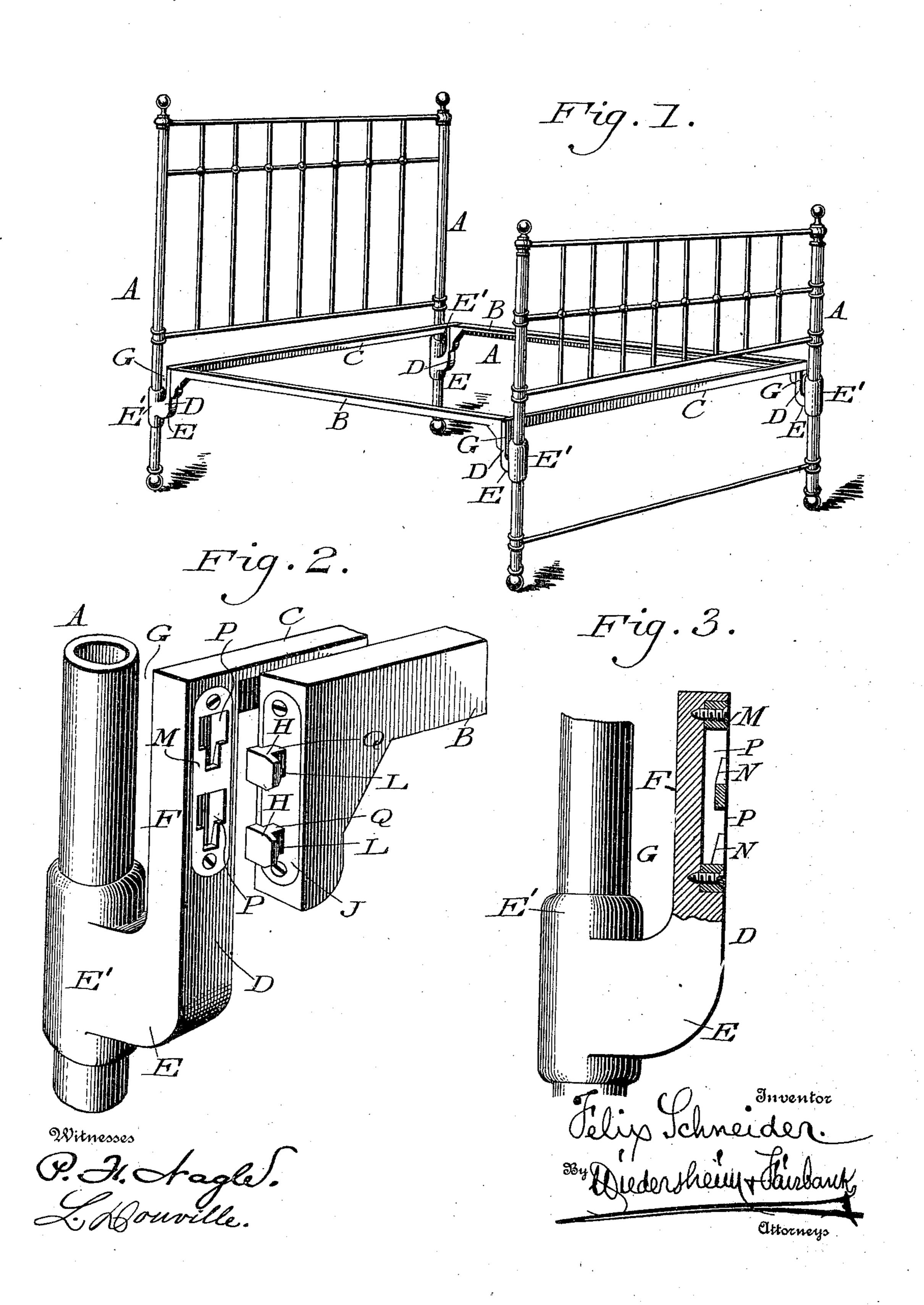
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Felix Schneider, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, State of Penn-5 sylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Bedsteads, of which the follow-

ing is a specification.

My invention consists of an attachment for a bedstead so constructed that the ends of to the covering may hang freely and gracefully in position, thus also avoiding tucking of the same and concealing the head or foot rail or both rails, if so desired, a vertical member of said attachment being adapted to support 15 cross and side rails in the same plane or approximately the same plane, so as to provide means for sustaining a bed-bottom thereon.

Figure 1 represents a side elevation of a bedstead embodying my invention. Fig. 2 20 represents a perspective view of detached portions on an enlarged scale. Fig. 3 represents a section of a portion on line x x, Fig. 2.

Similar letters of reference indicate corre-

sponding parts in the figures.

Referring to the drawings, A designates the head and foot posts of a bedstead, B the side rails, and C the cross or end rails thereof.

On the posts are the elbows D, whose horizontal limbs E are secured thereto by the col-30 lars E' or other means and whose vertical limbs F are separated from the posts forming the vertical passages or recesses G between said posts and the limbs F.

The cross-rails C are secured to the upper 35 ends of the limbs F and are accordingly set back from the posts A, forming recesses as continuations of the recesses G, which continuations exist between the cross-rails and head and foot portions or boards of the bed-

40 stead.

On the ends of the side rails are the tongues H, which by means of the face-plates J are secured to said rails, said tongues being somewhat T-shaped in horizontal section and hav-45 ing the inner faces of their heads K inclined, as at L. As both the cross and side rails are connected with the vertical limbs F and the tops of said rails are in the same plane, they provide means for supporting a bed-bottom 50 thereon.

On the vertical limbs F of the elbows D are slotted plates M, the inner side walls N

of which are inclined, the slots P of said plates being enlarged, so that the heads K may pass through the same, while the narrow parts of 55 said slots permit the necks Q of the tongues H to pass down the same, so that said heads will bear against the backs of the plates, thus causing the engagement or locking of the side rails with said elbows, and consequently 60 with the cross-rails. Simultaneously therewith the inclined portions of the heads are engaged with the inclined walls N and wedged thereagainst, by which provision tight joints are produced and rattling of the parts 65 is prevented.

The plates M and elbows D may be formed integral as castings, or the plates may be se-

cured to said elbows, as shown.

It will be seen that the side and end rails 70 may be connected and the springs and mat-

tress applied as usual.

In making up the bed the ends of the sheets or other bedclothes are passed over the crossrails and dropped into the recesses G, where 75 they hang gracefully and cover and conceal the cross-rails, while tucking in of the bedclothes between the cross-rails and mattress and consequent puckering or humping of the same are avoided.

When the side rails are raised; the tongues H follow the motions thereof, when the heads of said tongues then occupy the enlarged portions of the slots P, it being evident that by proper motions of the rails said tongues may 85 be withdrawn from said slots, causing the disconnection of the side and end rails.

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

Patent, is—

1. In a bedstead, an elbow adapted to be connected with the post thereof and having a vertical limb set out therefrom, and a crossrail and a side rail both having a common support in said vertical limb of said elbow 95 and being in the same plane to support a bedbottom thereon.

2. In a bedstead, an elbow adapted to be connected with a post thereof and having a vertical limb set out therefrom, a cross-rail 100 supported on said vertical limb and a side rail adapted to be removably connected with said limb, the tops of said cross and side rails being in the same plane.

3. In a bedstead, a collar adapted to be connected with a post thereof, an elbow projecting from said collar, and provided with a vertical limb and set out from said post, and cross and side rails adapted to be supported on said limb and both adapted to support a bed-bottom thereon.

4. In a bedstead, a post, an elbow having its horizontal member adapted to be firmly connected with said post, and its vertical member set out from said post and adapted to support a cross-rail and provided with means for removably connecting a side rail therewith, said cross and side rails being in

the same plane and forming the support for 15 a bed-bottom.

5. In a bedstead, an elbow having horizontal and vertical limbs, the horizontal limb being adapted to be attached to a post of the bedstead and the vertical limb to set out from 20 said post and being adapted to support the side and cross rails of the bedstead in the same plane.

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