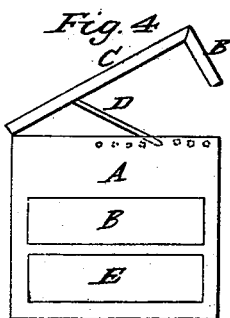
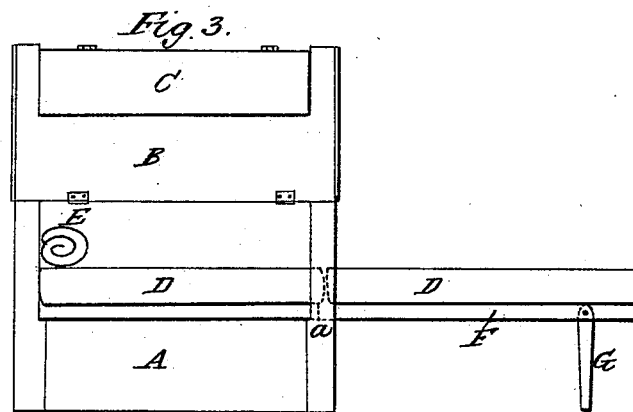
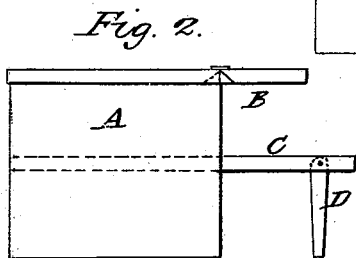
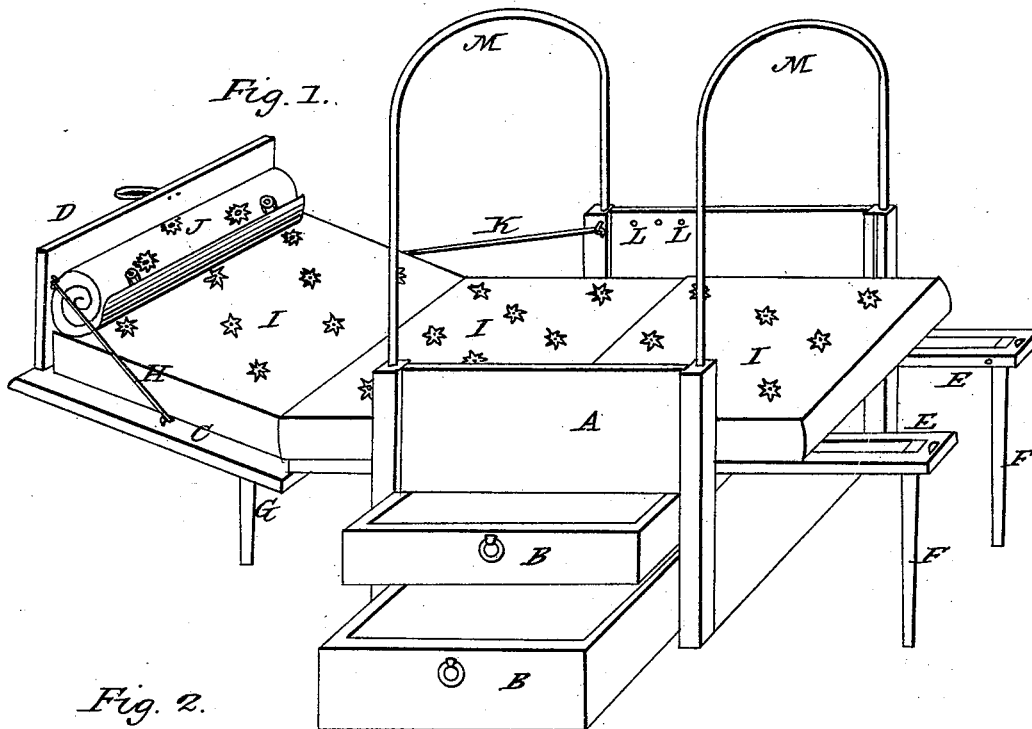


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IMPROVEMENT IN CAMP-BEDSTEADS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, WILLIAM C. SHAW, of the city and county of Philadelphia, and State of Pennsylvania, and JAMES STALCUP, of Wilmington, of the county of New Castle and State of Delaware, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Camp-Chests; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof.

In the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the chest open and arranged as a bed for two persons. A represents the end and front of the chest; B, drawers for the reception of clothing, stores, &c.; C, top of chest, forming a portion of the bottom of the bed for the support of the mattress; D, a portion of the front of the chest, forming the head-board; E, slides with folding legs, which legs can be raised up in the slots in the slides and shoved into the chest when it is to be packed for moving; F, folding legs; G, folding leg attached to a slide arranged in the same manner as the slides E, which slide is for the purpose of supporting the head of the bed; H, rod for the support of the head-board; I, mattresses; J, thin mattress rolled up to form a pillow; K, rod hooking into C, the opposite end of which can be hooked into holes L for the purpose of elevating the head of the bed; M, bows for the purpose of supporting a tent-cloth over the bed.

Fig. 2 is an end view of the chest when it is used as a table. A is the end of chest; B, a portion of the front of the chest which forms the table-leaf; C, slides with folding legs D, which slides form the seats.

Fig. 3 is a side view of the chest when arranged as a bed for one person. A is the

front of chest; B, top; C, a portion of the front, which, with B, forms a shelter to the head of the bed; D, mattresses; E, pillow; F, fly with folding leg G, which fly has a joint at a and can be folded in the chest.

By raising the top C, Fig. 4, up to a vertical line and placing one of the mattresses against it, it forms a sofa. When it is to be moved or used as a chest only, we pack the mattress, pillow, &c., in the space over the drawers, and clothing, stores, cooking utensils, &c., in the drawers and space under the mattresses, and close it up, using the common fastenings of chests, drawers, &c., and, when it is desirable to protect it from the weather, cover it with the tent-canvas.

Having thus fully described the construction and management of our camp-chest, what we claim as new and of our invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. So arranging the parts of a camp-chest that when it is unfolded in a direction parallel with its length it will constitute a bedstead, which may be of the width of the inside of the chest, and when unfolded in a direction at right angles with its length it will constitute a bedstead, which may be of the width of the inside of the length of the chest.

2. The arrangement by which a part of the front of the chest B, Fig. 2, can be used as a table-leaf and the slides C as seats at the table, substantially in the manner and for the purpose set forth.

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