

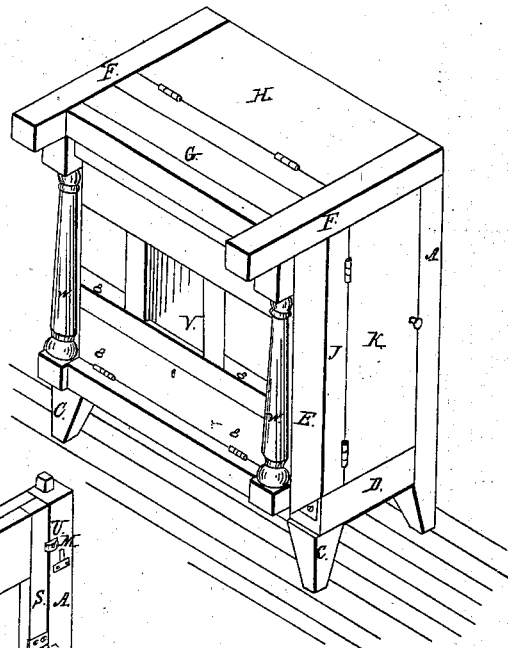
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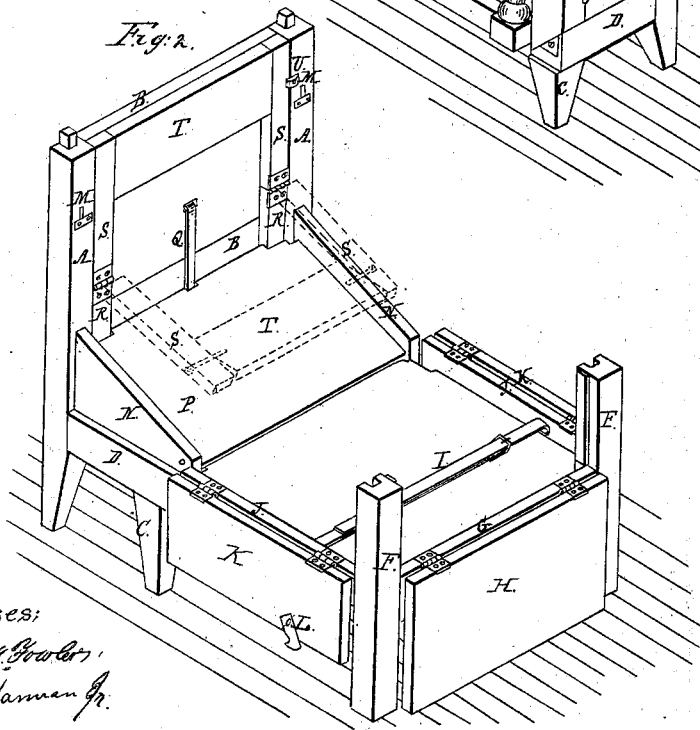
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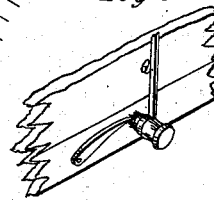
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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## IMPROVED WARDROBE-BEDSTEAD.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 47,197, dated April 11, 1865.

### *To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN EBY, of Muncie, county of Delaware, and State of Indiana, have invented a new, useful, and Improved Bureau or Wardrobe-Bedstead; and I do hereby declare that the following description and accompanying drawings are sufficient to enable any person skilled in the art or science to which it most nearly appertains to make and use my said invention or improvement without further invention or experiment.

Figure 1 is an isometrical elevation of the bedstead closed. Fig. 2 is an isometrical elevation of the bedstead open.

In these drawings the same letters refer to like parts in each of the figures.

A A are the back posts, connected by the bars B B to each other and to the front posts, C C, by the short rails, one of which is shown at D. The long rails E E are hinged to the short rails D, so as to stand perpendicularly when the bedstead is closed up, as in Fig. 1, and lie horizontal when the bed is open, as shown in Fig. 2, with their ends supported by the corner posts, F F, which corner posts are connected by the bar G to form one end of the bedstead. The door H is hinged to the bar G and forms the top of the case when the bedstead is closed up, as in Fig. 1, and is turned down and serves instead of a curtain in Fig. 2. The space between the rails E E is boarded over to support the mattress or bed, which may be held in its place when the bed is closed up by the strap and buckle I, which may be buckled across for that purpose. The narrow side pieces, J J, are fastened to the rails E E, and to these pieces J J the side doors, K K, are hinged, to close the space between the rails E E and the posts A A when the bedstead is closed up, and they are provided with hooks L L, which hook into the catches M M on the posts A A. The doors K K may be turned down, as shown in Fig. 2, to serve instead of

curtains, like the door H. There are some side pieces, N N, fastened to the posts A and rails D, and are perforated near their narrow ends for the pivots of the elevating-board P, arranged between them, (the pieces N,) and is provided with a strap, Q, to elevate the edge next to the posts, which strap passes through the bar B and is fastened to a revolving-pin provided with a ratchet and pawl, by which the elevation of the board P may be adjusted as desired. This revolving pin, with its ratchet and pawl, with a portion of the bar, which is similar to the bar B, are shown in Fig. 3.

To make a table for invalids to write on or eat off of while sitting up in bed, I fasten the pieces R R by the sides of the posts A A, and hinge the pieces S S to them, so that they can be brought down to lay the table T, which is pivoted between them, on the bed in front of the person sitting up in the bed. This table is shown put up in its place in Fig. 2 and secured by the button U, and is shown let down by dotted lines in the same figure. The front of this bedstead may be cased up, as shown in Fig. 1, with a looking-glass at V, and with a panel each side, with the representation of the fronts of draws below, also with pilasters W W on the rails E E. When the bedstead is shut up, the tenons on the posts A A fit into the notches in the posts F F, to keep the parts properly in place.

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

The combination and arrangement of the posts A A, C C, and F F, bars B B and G, rails D and E E, doors H and K K, with the elevating-board P and table T, the whole being constructed as described for the purpose specified.

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