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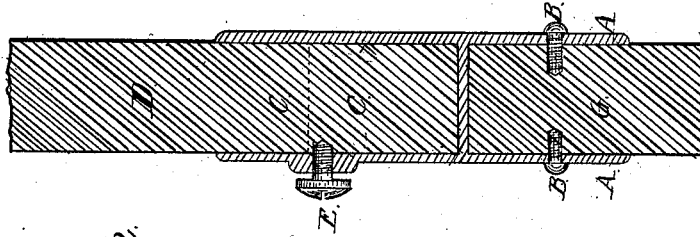


Fig. 2.

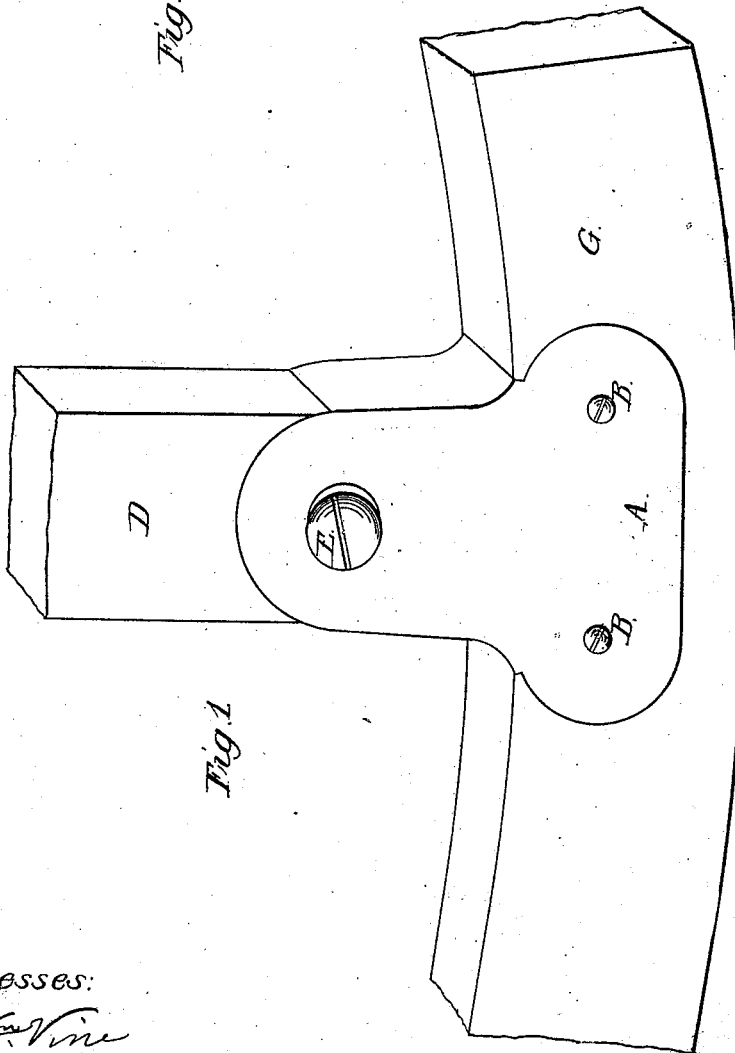


Fig. 1

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DETACHABLE ROCKERS FOR CHAIRS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM PINKERMAN, of the city of Bridgeport, county of Fairfield, and State of Connecticut, have invented a new and useful Improvement in the Mode of Constructing Rockers for Rocking-Chairs; and I do hereby declare that the following is a correct description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction and arrangement of adjustable sockets to the rockers of rocking-chairs to receive the lower end of the legs of the chairs, and to be detachable from them when required.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe the construction and operation.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a side view of the socket when fixed on the rocker and chair; Fig. 2, a transverse section of the same.

The unavoidable extension of the rockers of the variety of easy-chairs beyond the limits of the frame of the body and seat of the chair is a matter of great inconvenience and expense in many cases. For instance, in packing for shipping and various modes of transportation and in the endless custom of removing from one house to another the rockers of the rocking-chair are always in the way, and require more space in packing and stowing for transportation or removal than any other piece of furniture of like dimensions. This inconvenience and annoyance cannot be avoided, because the legs of the chairs are in all cases permanently attached to the rockers, consequently cannot be removed.

My present invention is intended to remedy this matter by the arrangement of my metal-

lic sockets clasping the rockers and receiving the lower end of the legs of the chair into the same, as described in the drawings attached to this specification.

In forming my sockets the lower flanges, A A, are made to clasp the rocker G, and are firmly fastened by the screws B B at any required distance apart to suit the legs of the chairs, and the rockers by this means can at any time be shifted, regulated, and balanced to a nicety and according to fancy.

I form the mortise or space C of any required form or size to receive the lower end of the chair-legs D. The legs being passed into the mortise C, there is a set-screw, F, on the inner flange to pass into and fasten the leg in the mortise. This screw F may be a thumb-screw or any other equivalent device or arrangement for the purpose, provided that it can be made easily and instantly available, when required, for removal or transportation.

I make the socket of malleable iron, brass, or any other suitable material of a light, plain, or ornamental pattern of any proper size or form.

The utility, convenience, and economy of this simple arrangement will be manifest to every one.

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

The adjustable socket for the rockers of rocking-chairs, constructed and arranged substantially as herein described, and for the purpose set forth.

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