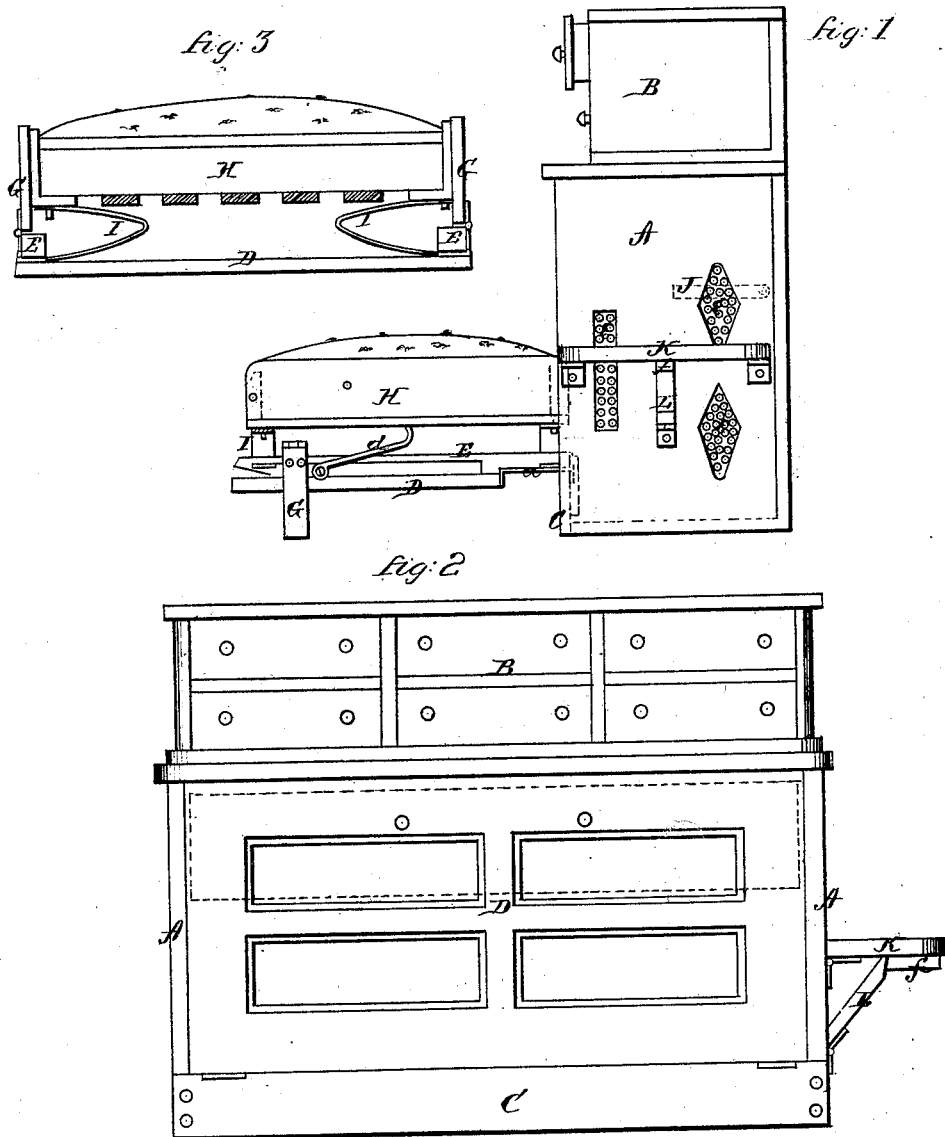


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IMPROVEMENT IN COMBINED BEDSTEADS, BUREAUS, AND STANDS.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, ANNA PARKER and LEWIS A. PARKER, of Girard, in the county of Crawford and in the State of Kansas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combined Bedstead, Bureau, and Stand; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing and to the letters of reference marked thereon making a part of this specification.

The nature of our invention consists in the construction and arrangement of a "combined bedstead, bureau, and stand," as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which our invention appertains to make and use the same, we will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a side view showing the bed in position for use;

Figure 2 is a front view showing the bed folded up; and

Figure 3 is a front view of the bed alone.

A represents the bed-case, on top of which is the bureau B, with any desired number of drawers.

The front side of the bed-case A is open, with the exception of a board, C, at the bottom.

In this open space fits the front D, provided near each end, on the inner side, with a cross-bar, E, said cross-bars extending downward on the inner side of the board C.

The front D, when thrown up, rests upon the bottom board C; but when thrown down for use the inner ends of the bars E rest upon said boards, the projecting portions of these bars being provided with metal bands, *a*, the ends of which are turned downward, as shown in fig. 1.

The edge of the board C, where the bars E rest upon it, is slightly recessed and metal-lined so as to prevent wear.

The turned-down ends of the metal bands *a* prevent the front D from slipping out of place.

Near the outer ends of the bars E, on the outer side of each, is hinged a leg, G, which is turned down when the front is thrown out for use, and turned up when the front is folded up.

The bedstead or bed-bottom H rests upon a half-elliptic spring, I, at each corner, said springs being attached to the cross-bars E.

When the bed is thrown up hooks *d d*, pivoted on the bars E, are hooked onto pins on the bed H, so as to hold the springs down, and straps are fastened around to hold the bedding in place.

Inside of the bed-case A, at any desired height, is a shelf, J, which is thrown up when the bed is closed, and let down when the bed is in use, so as to lay articles of clothing, &c., upon, if desired.

In the ends of the bed-case A are suitable openings, covered with perforated tin, *e*, wire-gauze, or other similar devices, for the purpose of securing free ventilation of the bedding when the bed is closed.

On one end of the bed-case A is hinged a stand, K, which can be turned up or down, as may be desired, and, when up, held in position by the brace L and button *f*, as shown.

By turning the button *f* the stand may be lowered a little at the outer edge when desired to write on.

Having thus fully described our invention,

What we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination of the case A with ventilators *e*, bureau B, stand K, brace L, and button *f*, front D, bed H, springs I, hooks *d*, and shelf J, all constructed and used substantially as set forth.

In testimony that we claim the foregoing we have hereunto set our hands this 16th day of February, 1871.

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