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Fig. 1

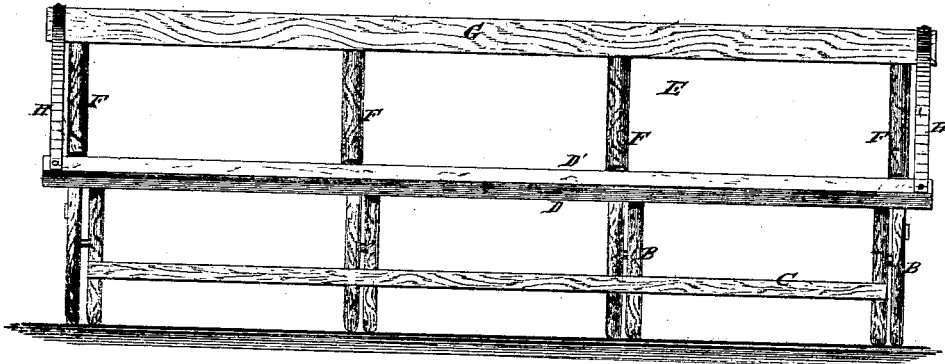


Fig. 2.

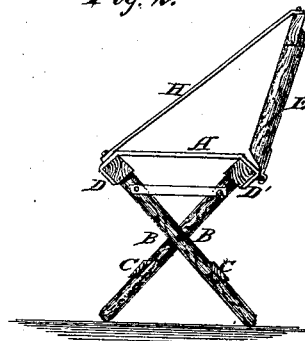
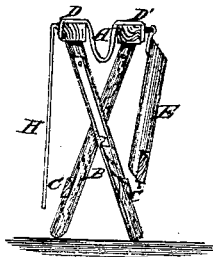


Fig. 3.



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## IMPROVEMENT IN FOLDING SETTEES.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 115,010, dated May 23, 1871.

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, WILLIAM C. ADAMS and WILLIAM B. MAYHEW, of West Tisbury, in the county of Dukes and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Folding Settee; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing forming part of this specification.

The object of this invention is to furnish a settee for use in public halls, churches, and other places, which may be folded up so as to occupy but little space when not in use, and still be cheaply and durably constructed; and the invention consists in the construction, arrangement, and combination of parts, hereinafter described.

In the accompanying drawing, Figure 1 represents a front view of the settee. Fig. 2 is an end view, represented as when the settee is in use. Fig. 3 is an end view, showing the settee folded up or partly folded.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A is the seat, which is composed of cloth, leather, or any suitable pliable material. This seat is nailed or securely fastened to the front and back rails of the settee, supported by the legs B. The legs form crosses, connected together by joint-pins. More or less in number of these crosses may be used, according to the

length of the settee. C C are stay-slats connecting the crosses or legs together. D D' represent the rails on the upper ends of the legs, before referred to. E is the back of the settee, which is formed of a number of uprights, F, and one or more longitudinal rails or slats, G. The uprights F are hinged to the back rail D, as seen in Fig. 2, and the rail G is connected with the front rail D by straps H, which hold the back E in an upright position, as seen in Fig. 2.

When the settee is not in use the back is released from the straps H, when it may be turned over or folded, as seen in Fig. 3.

A settee when constructed in this manner may be folded in a most compact manner and stored away when not in use.

The parts are very light, and the construction simple but durable. For churches and public halls, and for other purposes, this settee is most admirably adapted.

Having thus described our invention, we claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The hinged back E F G and flexible straps H, combined with flexible seat A, rails D D', and legs B, constructed and arranged together substantially in the manner described.

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