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Fig. 1

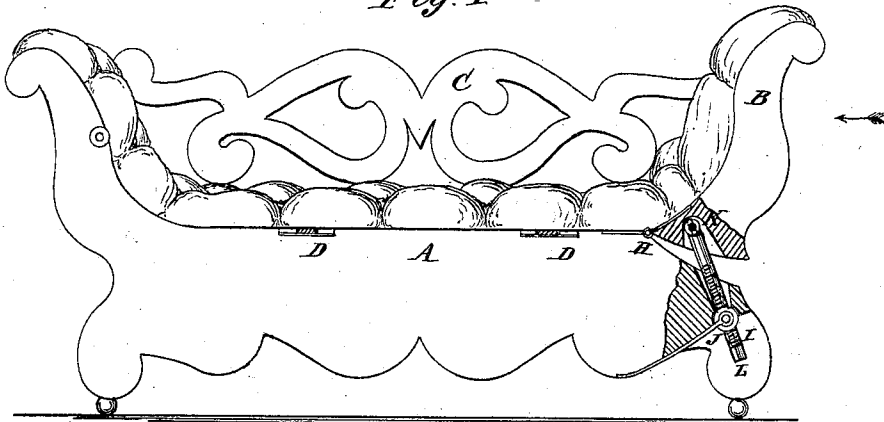


Fig. 2

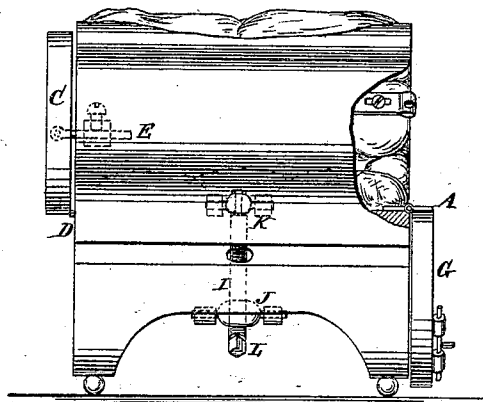
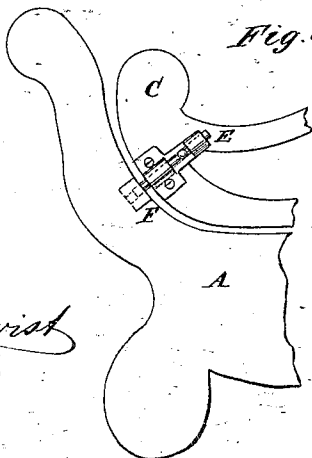


Fig. 3



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IMPROVEMENT IN SOFAS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM R. CONGER, of Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Adjustable Lounge, of which the following is a specification:

The invention consists in the improvement of sofa-bedsteads, as hereinafter described and pointed out in the claim.

In the drawing, Figure 1 is a back-side view of a lounge with a part broken away to show the manner of adjusting the head. Fig. 2 is an end view, and Fig. 3 is a detail, showing the manner of fastening the adjustable back and front of the lounge.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A is the body of the lounge. B is the head. C represents the back, which is hinged to the frame of the seat, as represented at D D, so that it will turn over and hang down. In this manner the lounge may be used in the middle of the room as a double lounge whenever such use of it may be found necessary. The back is fastened up to the lounge in any substantial manner. By the mode shown in Fig. 3 a bolt, E, is fastened to the adjustable back, which engages with a socket, F, attached to the lounge. The bolt may be made to slide in and out, and be fastened by a set-screw, so that the back may be fastened in an inclined position. To the front side of the lounge I attach a similar adjustable side or shield, G, hinged to the lounge-frame and fastened in the same manner. When the lounge is in ordinary use the shield is dropped down in

front, as seen in Fig. 2, so as to be entirely out of the way. When it is desired to use the lounge as a bed the front is turned up and fastened in any desired position, as before described. The head B of the lounge is hinged to the frame, as seen at H, Fig. 1, and is adjusted as to height by means of the swivel-screw I. This screw passes through the swivel-nut J, which is attached to the frame of the lounge, and is connected with the swivel K, which is attached to the head. The screw is turned by means of a wrench applied at L, and as it works through the swivel-nut J the head is raised and adjusted to suit the occupant of the lounge. This arrangement renders the lounge exceedingly convenient for invalids who require frequent change of position, and does not interfere with the proper upholstering or detract from the generally neat and tidy appearance of the lounge.

This is a most convenient and desirable article for family use, and its advantages must be apparent to all.

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

1. The combination of the adjustable back C, front G, and head B in a lounge, substantially as shown and described.

2. The swivel-screw I and swivels J K, in combination with the adjustable head B, as and for the purposes described.

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