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Fig. 1.

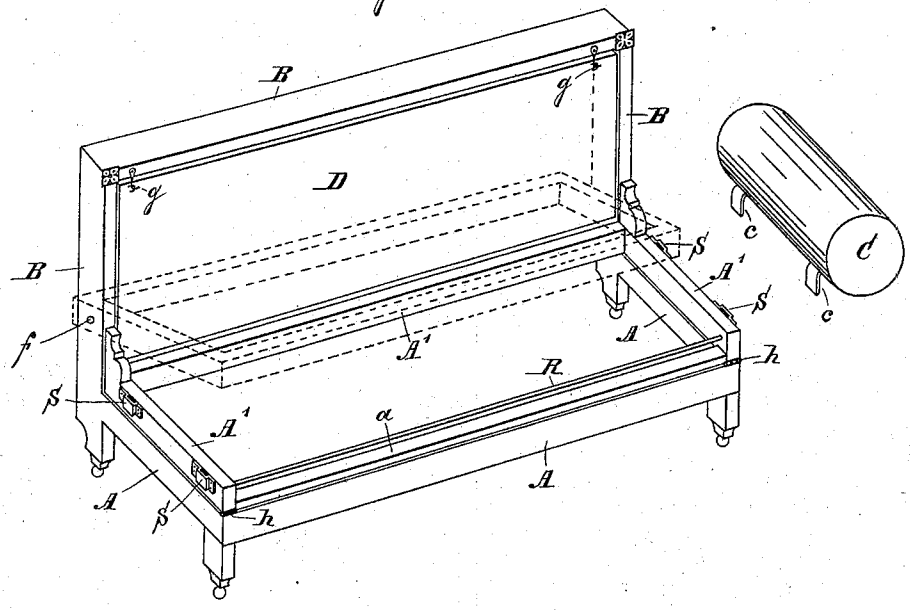


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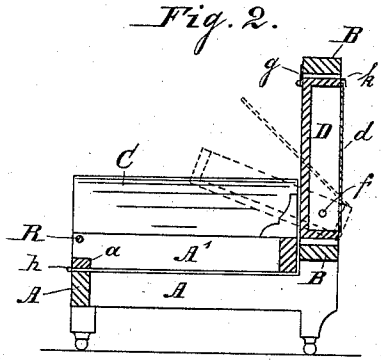
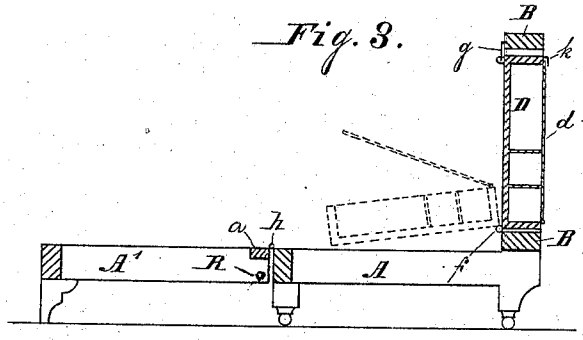


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SINGLETON L. KING, a citizen of the United States, residing at Indianapolis, in the county of Marion and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Lounges, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in either single lounges or double bed-lounges; and the objects of my improvements are, first, to produce a lounge with a flexible spring front edge, whereby a more comfortable seat is obtained than in the lounges now in use; secondly, to provide a bed-lounge with a wardrobe-back, in which to keep the bedding, night-clothes, &c., during day-time or when not needed. I attain these objects by the mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the frame-work of my improved double bed-lounge; Fig. 2, a vertical cross-section through the same when folded, and Fig. 3 a vertical cross-section through the same when unfolded. In Figs. 2 and 3 different ways are shown for constructing the wardrobe-back.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

A is the lower frame-work of the lounge.

A′ is the upper frame, or the frame which forms the seat of the lounge when the same is folded. Both frames are hinged together in the usual way at the ends by the hinges *h h*.

Heretofore the upper frame, A′, had a solid front piece over and to which the upholstering and covering were fastened. When a lounge had been in use any length of time and the springs had given a little, this solid front piece, not going down with the springs, made an uncomfortable seat and wore through the covering of the lounge. I overcome these objections by the use of a flexible wire rod, R, firmly secured to the end timbers of the frame A′, and forming the front edge of the seat.

To steady the frame A′, and to prevent the rod R from drawing in the ends of the frame A′, said ends are connected by a rail, *a*, which being located in front, right under the wire rod R, receives the upholstering and covering after the same have passed over the wire rod R. Thus I obtain a flexible front edge for my lounge-seat, and at the same time preserve the strength of the front piece of the frame.

Secured to each end of the frame A′ are a pair or more of sockets or cups, S S, into which the shoulders *c c* of the head-rest C fit. Thus the head-rest C can be detached from the lounge and be secured to either the right or left side of the same, as desired.

The back frame, B, of the lounge forms a wardrobe or a receptacle, D, for clothing, bedding, &c. Said wardrobe D can either be stationary—that is, it can be formed by the sides and front of the frame B, with a hinged back or door, *d;* or it can be hung to the frame B in such a manner that it will lie down onto the lounge when its contents are wanted. In Figs. 1 and 2, I show the wardrobe pivoted to the uprights of the frame B, while in Fig. 3 it is hinged to the sill of the frame B. In both cases the box D, which forms the wardrobe, is constructed independent of the frame B and connected with the same by the pivots and hinges *f f*, and is provided with a lid or door, *d*, on the back side. Said door *d* is held in place by a bolt, hook, or lock, *k*.

The wardrobe D is kept in its upright position by hooks or bolts *g g*.

By having the wardrobe pivoted or hinged to the frame B, as shown in the drawings, it can be let down onto the lounge without removing the lounge from the wall, and the contents of the wardrobe are easier taken out than where the wardrobe is stationary.

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

1. In a lounge, the combination, with the horizontal frame A′ for the seat and the upright frame B for the back of the lounge, of an independent wardrobe or box receptacle, D, hinged or pivoted to the frame B in such a manner as to shut into and to form with said frame B the back of the lounge, the cover or lid *d*, and the fastening device *k*, forming means to lock the wardrobe D, and the lock *g*, for holding the wardrobe in its position in the frame B, substantially as described and specified.

2. In a folding bed-lounge, in combination with the horizontal frames A and A′, forming

when unfolded the bed, and the vertical frame-work B, the wardrobe or receptacle D, connected with the frame B by the pivotal pins or hinges *f f*, the lid or door *d*, the lock *k*, and the bolt or lock *g*, forming means to secure the wardrobe D to the frame B, all constructed as described, and for the purpose specified.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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