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HAMMOCK FRAME.

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Fig. 1.

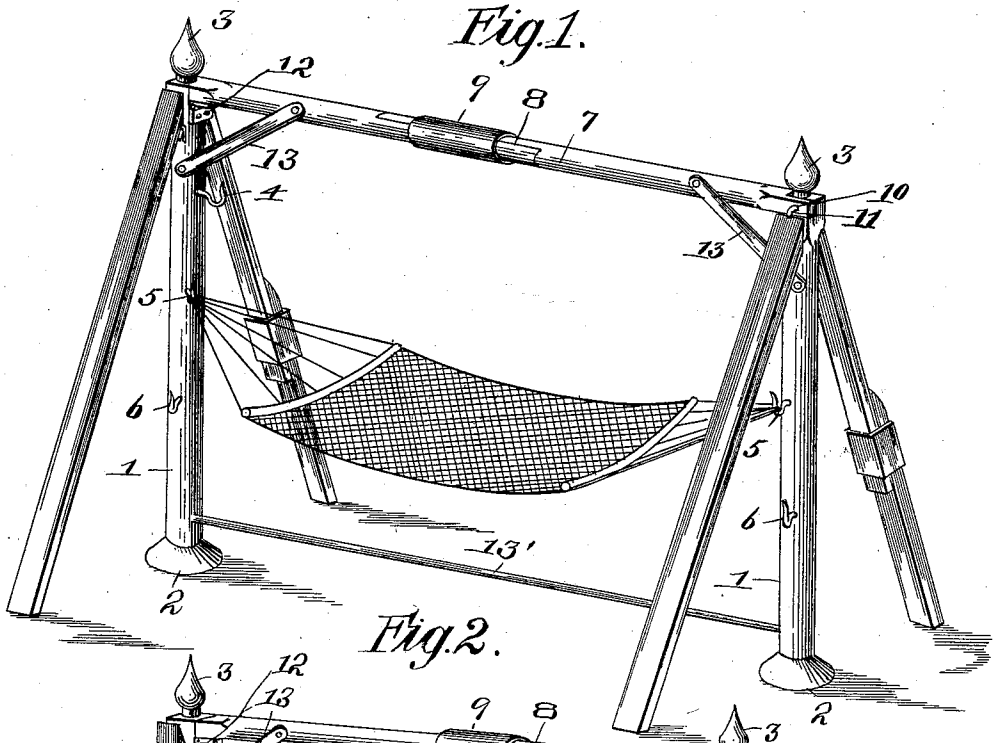
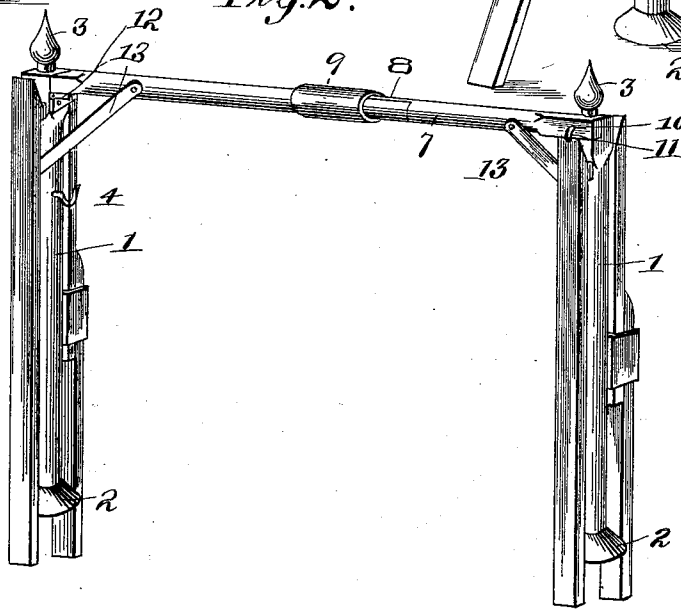


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANNE A. YOUNG, of Williamsport, in the county of Warren and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hammock-Frames; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to the construction of hammock-frames; and it consists of certain novel constructions, combinations, and arrangements of parts, as will be hereinafter described and specifically claimed.

The object of the invention is to provide means for supporting a hammock in any desired position and independent of trees, posts, or upright attachments now commonly employed, the parts being simple and effective in their construction and operation, strong and durable, easily and readily adjusted, and comparatively inexpensive in the cost of manufacture.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a hammock-frame embodying the invention and showing a hammock supported thereby. Fig. 2 is a similar view of the frame shown folded.

Referring to the drawings, wherein similar numerals of reference are employed to indicate corresponding parts in the views, the numeral 1 designates end posts, which are arranged vertically and have a suitable base 2 and an upper ornamental cap 3 of any preferred form of construction. Along the length of the said posts 1 a series of hooks 4, 5, and 6 are mounted and arranged in different positions, the upper hooks 4 being extended inwardly for attaching the hammock to make a swing thereof, the next lower hooks 5 being around on the side portions of the said posts to form a seat of the hammock and the lower hooks 6 being still further around the side and stretching the hammock in the form of a bed or rest. By arranging the said hooks 4, 5, and 6 in the manner specified they are placed in such a position as not to interfere with the movement of the hammock and obviate the formation of projections. The cross-bar 7 is attached to the upper end of the post 1 and has a joint 8 intermediate of the ends thereof, over which a metal ring 9 is adapted to be moved to sustain the rigidity of the said cross-bar when desired. The said cross-bar is removably connected to the upper end of one post by a screw-rod 10, having an outer bent end 11. The opposite end of the said cross-bar 7 is movably attached to the upper part of the opposite posts so as to fold, the connection being in the form of a suitable hinge 12. Braces 13 removably extend from the said cross-bar and the posts and the lower parts of the said posts also embrace a cross-strip 13′ for assisting in holding the posts steady. To support the posts in upright position, oppositely-situated legs 14 and 15 are hinged at their upper ends thereto, and the legs 15 are telescopic in their construction, being composed of two parts engaged by slides 16 and prevent the frame as an entirety from tilting forwardly or backwardly by the movement or strain of the hammock.

All the parts of the device are constructed of light material and of suitable dimension and may be varied at will, and the adjustment is readily attained to bring the posts 1 nearer together or to extend them farther apart and thereby accommodate the height of the hammock from the ground and also its desired position in connection with the several hooks 4, 5, and 6. In folding the parts the ring 9 is moved from engagement with the joint 8, and after detachment of the braces 13 and the cross-bar 7 thereby permitted to be folded and all the parts closely arranged.

The device as set forth is of a portable nature and, being of light construction, can be readily moved from one position to another and can be readily used in the house without requiring the positioning of hooks in connection with the woodwork, which materially deface such parts, and be moved to such positions as will tend to the comfort of the person occupying the hammock. Being collapsible or foldable in its nature, said frame can be readily arranged in compact form for transportation. The adjustable feature of the legs 15 is particularly useful when the frame is placed against a wall, and the outer supports would not have to be distended to their full extent and provide for a close positioning of the frame against the wall.

It is obviously apparent that many minor changes in the details of construction and ar-

rangement of the several parts might be made and substituted for those shown and described without in the least departing from the nature or spirit of the invention.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is—

In a folding portable hammock-supporting frame, the combination of a post having hooks arranged thereon in various positions, and legs movably attached to the upper part of opposite sides of said posts, the legs on one side being adjustable, an upper cross-bar hinged to one of the posts and having a joint intermediate of its ends, substantially as and for the purposes specified.

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

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