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Fig 1

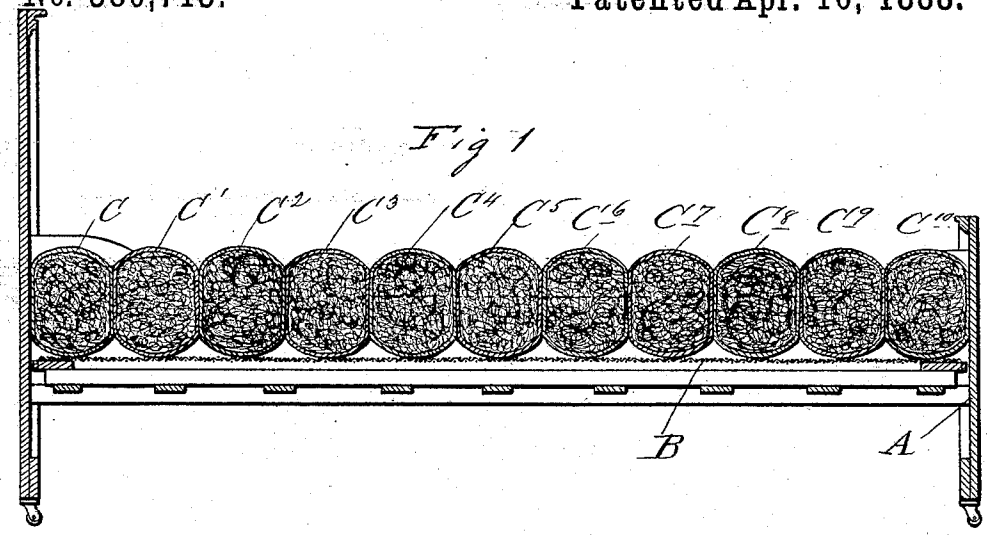
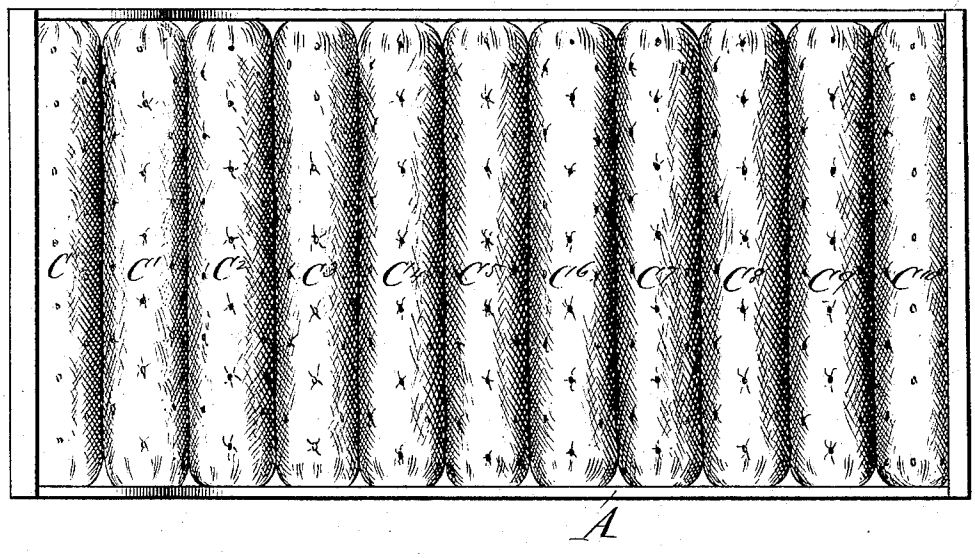


Fig. 2.



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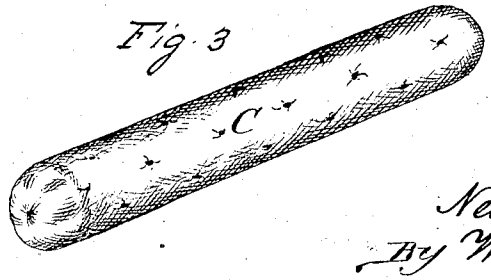

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, NELSON CLEMENT, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Sectional Mattresses, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to mattresses for beds, and it has for its object to provide such a mattress composed of sections adapted to be interchanged in their relative positions and to be turned to bring a new side up; and with that object in view my invention consists of a mattress composed of a series of cylindrical bolsters placed transversely upon the bed-bottom, one against the other, so as to form a continuous bolster, all as more fully hereinafter described and specifically claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a longitudinal vertical section of a bed having my improved mattress; Fig. 2, a plan view of the same, and Fig. 3 a perspective view of one of the matress-sections.

Corresponding letters in the several figures of the drawings designate like parts.

A denotes the bedstead, of any usual style; B, the bed-bottom, shown to be of woven wire, but that may be of any other well-known kind; and C C′ C², &c., are the several sections that form the mattress. Each such section C C′, &c., consists of a tubular covering made of woven fabric stuffed with hair, moss, sponge, cotton, husk, straw, or excelsior, and is then closed at the ends and quilted or tied in any well-known manner, so as to form a cylindrical bolster. A series of ten (more or less) such cylindrical bolsters, C C′, &c., being placed transversely side by side upon the bed-bottom B, somewhat pressed together, will form a mattress that is uniformly soft and elastic and is comfortable for the occupant, and that, with making up the bed and airing it, can be conveniently taken up, one section after the other, can be shaken, and loosened by beating, and that can be turned with either face up and be interchanged to occupy different positions upon the bed-bottom.

In this mattress, shown and described, the cylindrical sections are not only interchangeable, but each section can be turned with either part of its circumferential surface upward, so that all parts of the covering will be evenly worn, and so that the elasticity of the stuffing can be utilized on every direction.

I am aware that mattresses have been made of three (more or less) interchangeable sections, enabling either one of their two sides to be turned upward. I am also aware that mattresses have been made flexible by being composed of sections connected together by cords, and therefore I disclaim these devices; but

What I do claim is--

A mattress composed of a series of loose sections, each such section being a cylindrical bolster adapted to be turned with either face up and to be interchangeable for occupying either position on the bed-bottom, as set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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