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Fig 1

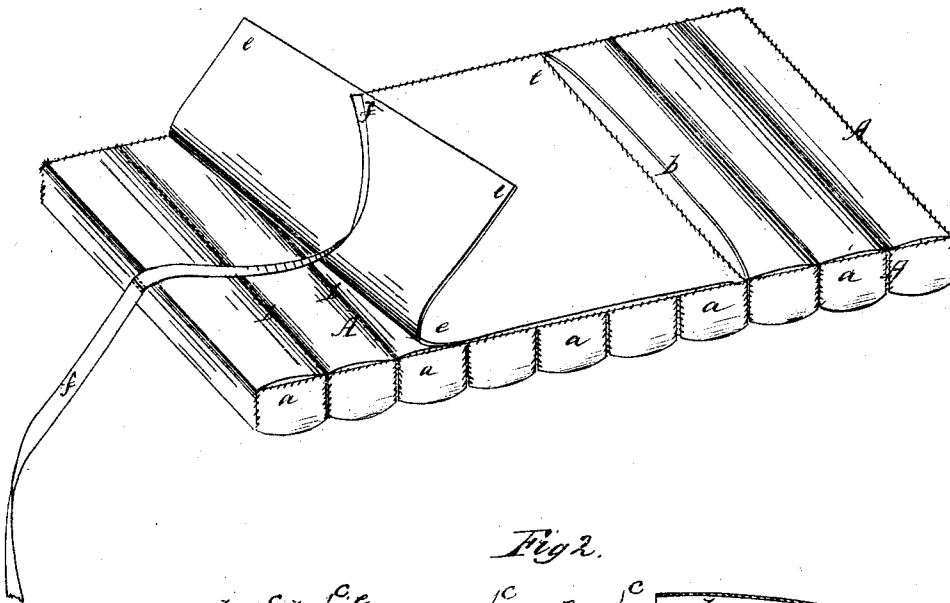


Fig 2.

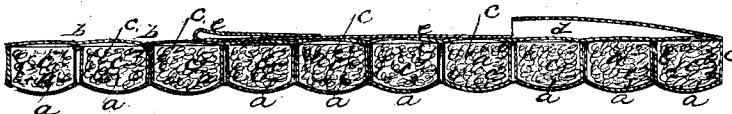
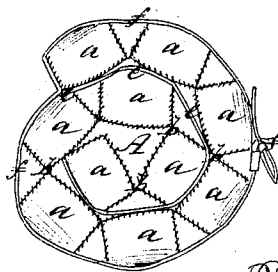


Fig 3.



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IMPROVED PORTABLE CAMP-BED.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, Prince NICOLAS OUROUSSOFF, of St. Petersburg, in the Empire of Russia, have invented certain new and useful improvements in Portable or Camp-Beds; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of the bed in its spread-out condition.

Figure 2 represents a longitudinal vertical section through the same.

Figure 3 represents an end view of the bed in its rolled-up condition, and ready to be stowed and transported.

Similar letters of reference, where they occur in the separate figures, denote like parts of the structure in all of the drawings.

My invention relates to a portable or camp-bed, that is made light for transportation, and of material not pervious to moisture or damp, susceptible of being rolled up into a very compact form, and soft and agreeable to lie upon.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe the same with reference to the drawings.

I propose to make the covering or outer portion of the bed of rubber cloth, for the double purpose of preserving the interior from damp and wet, and consequently from mould or decay, as well as to preserve the user of it from dampness from the ground, or of the material of which the bed is composed.

The bed A is composed of a series of sections, *a a a*, united together at the edges *b* only, and these sections are filled with cork-dust *c*, as being light, elastic, soft, and impervious to the reception or retention of moisture. The purpose of the sections *a a a*, each being separate and independent of the other, so far as stuffing or filling is concerned, is to keep the filling in place, and the bed of uniform shape. If the sack were made in one piece, the cork-dust would change positions in it, and run towards one end or side more than another, and thus present an uneven surface to lie upon; whereas by making it of short sections, it cannot change positions to any objectionable extent. The joining of the sections at *b* only, admits of its being rolled up easily and in compact form, as it bends freely at such joinings, which it would not do if in one piece. At one end of the bed is formed a pocket, *d*, which may contain a blanket or other covering, or clothing, and which, when stuffed or filled with such articles as are incident to camp life, will form a pillow for the user, as well as a receptacle for clothing, &c., &c.; and the mouth of this pocket may be closed by strings, buttons, or straps. The piece that forms the pocket, so far as it extends, covers the seams or points of union of the sections, and thus make them smooth, or at least not inconvenient to the person lying upon the bed; and where the piece terminates, there is fastened a flap or sheet, *e*, which extends to the end of the bed, or nearly so, and covers over the remaining seams or lines of union between the sections. A string, cord, or strap, *f*, fastened to the lower end of the bed, serves to fasten and secure it when rolled up, the pocket and its contents occupying the central part of the roll, and thus more securely protected from exposure.

Having thus fully described my invention in portable or camp-beds, what I claim therein as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

Making the bed in sections, filled with cork-dust or its equivalent, and furnished with a pocket, *d*, and flap, sheet, or covering, *e*, all substantially as and for the purpose described.

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