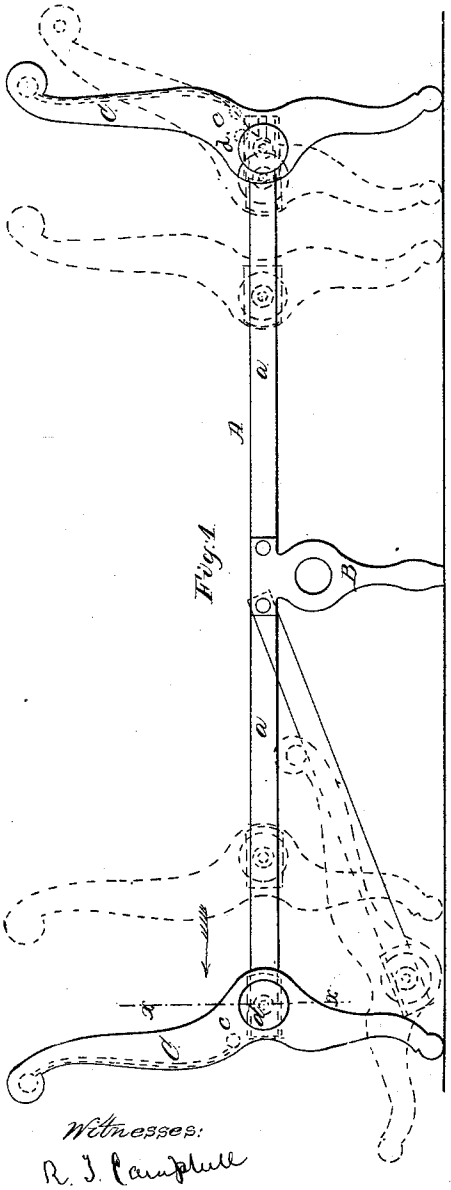
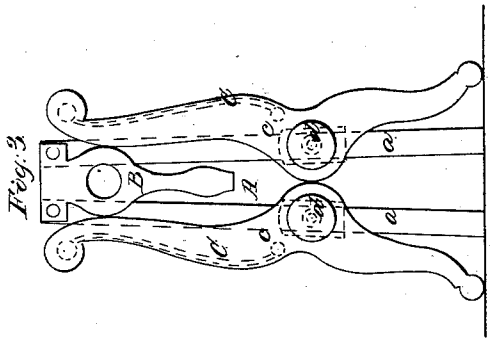
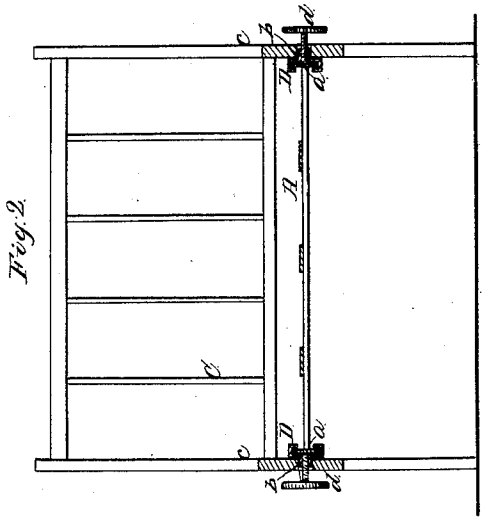
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Folding Bedstead.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD COTTY, of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Folding Bedstead; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1, is a side view of my invention in a distended state. Fig. 2, a vertical section of ditto taken in the line *x*, *x*, Fig. 1. Fig. 3, a side view of ditto in a folded state.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

The object of this invention is to obtain a folding metallic bedstead that may be folded within a smaller compass than usual and have its head and foot pieces so arranged that they may be adjusted in a more or less inclined position, or readily detached or so adjusted as to give the bedstead bottom an inclined position like a lounge and also admit of the bedstead being shortened if desired.

To enable those skilled in the art to fully understand and construct my invention I will proceed to describe it.

A, represents the bottom of the bedstead which is jointed at its center connected thereat to legs B, in the ordinary way.

C, C, represent the head and foot pieces which may be of the usual form but adjusted to the side pieces *a*, *a*, of the bottom A, in a novel way as follows.

On each side piece *a*, there are fitted sockets D, one near each end. These sockets are allowed to slide freely on the side pieces *a*, and the sockets have cylindrical heads or flanches *b*, on them which fit in circular recesses, in the standards *c*, of the head and foot pieces. Through the standards *c*, screws *d*, pass, said screws passing through the heads *b*, of the sockets and bearing against the side pieces *a*, of the bed, bottom as shown clearly in Fig. 2.

The sockets *d*, may be formed of plates bent so as to clasp the side pieces *a*, as shown clearly in Fig. 2.

By turning the screws *d*, in the proper direction the sockets D, may be firmly secured to the side pieces and the standards *c*, secured to the sockets the head and foot pieces being thereby firmly secured to the side pieces.

It will be seen from the above description that the head and foot pieces C, C, may be readily moved toward and from each other, and secured at any desired point on the side pieces thereby virtually lengthening or shortening the bedstead. This will be perfectly understood by referring to the black and blue outlines in Fig. 1. In case, for the convenience and comfort of an occupant, a head piece requires to be inclined it may be done by relaxing its screws *d*, and allowing the standards *c*, to be turned on the heads or flanches *b*, to any required degree of inclination as shown in red Fig. 1, the head or foot piece may be detached entirely from the bottom or inclined to its fullest extent so as to incline the bottom like a lounge. By having the head and foot pieces movable on the side pieces *a*, *a*, the bedstead when folded is of equal height to the head and foot pieces, whereas in the usual mode of construction the center of the bottom extends some distance above the head and foot pieces in consequence of the rigid attachment of the latter to the former.

This invention does not involve any material cost in the construction of the bedstead while it adds materially to its value.

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

The attaching of the head and foot pieces C, C, to the side pieces *a*, *a*, of the bottom A, by means of the sliding or adjustable sockets D, and screws *d*, substantially as and for the purpose herein set forth.

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