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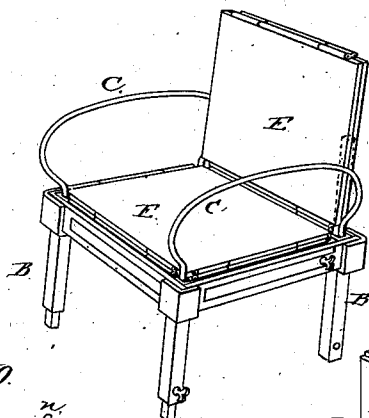


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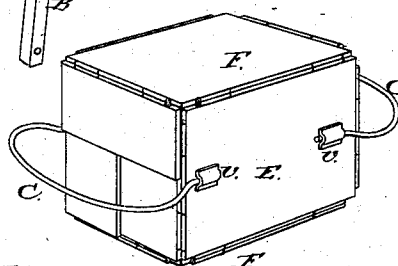


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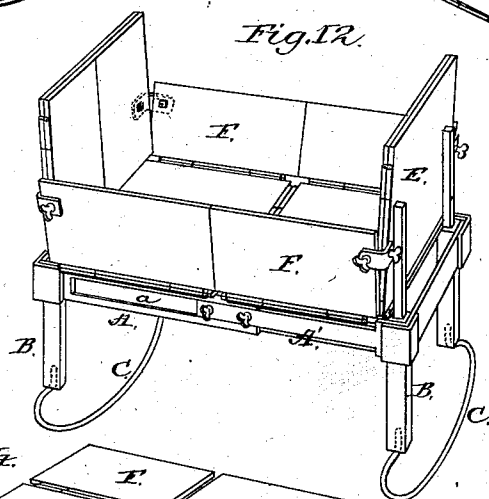
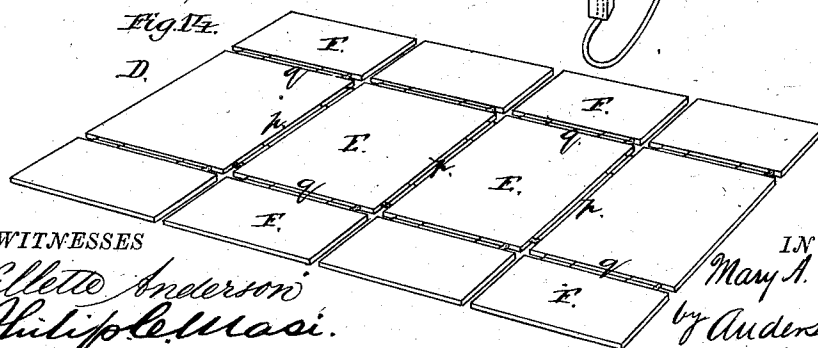


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARY A. McMASTER, a citizen of the United States, resident at Antioch, in the county of Contra Costa and State of California, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combined Bedsteads, Tables, &c.; 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, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters or figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a representation of my invention in the form of a bed. Fig. 2 is the same in the form of a table. Fig. 3 is a side view of two sections of rail. Fig. 4 is a cross-section of the same. Fig. 5 is a vertical section of one of the corner legs. Figs. 6, 7, and 8 are detail views of the same. Fig. 9 is a sectional view of a portion of the cover. Fig. 10 shows the rocker portion. Figs. 11, 12, and 13 are respectively a chair, cradle or crib, and box; and Fig. 14 shows the cover.

This invention has relation to furniture; and it consists in the construction and novel arrangement of the sectional and extensible legs, the rocker attachments, and the covering portion formed of sections hinged together by their transverse edges, and having folding ends hinged to said sections longitudinally, the hinges being made without stops, so as to allow the sections and end pieces to fold in either direction, as hereinafter set forth and claimed.

The object of this invention is to provide an article of furniture which can be changed in character, according to requirement, by manipulating the sections, so that it can be set up as a table, a bedstead, a cradle or crib, a chair, rocking-chair, child's high chair, or, by dispensing with the legs and rails, can be formed into a box.

In the annexed drawings, the letter A designates the main rail-section, having slide grooves or ways *a*, in which the slide-section A' of the rail is seated. Through the rails holes *b* are made for the passage of fastening pins or screws, and the rails are provided with inner flange-braces, *c*, which are designed to be brought in contact with the upper ends of the legs when the parts are set up.

The corner legs, B, are made with angular seats *d* at their upper ends, into which the ends of the rails are inserted, being fastened therein by means of pins or screws *e*. The intermediate legs, B', are secured by set-screws in rail-seats *g*, so that the middle portions of the rails are supported when the article to be formed is of unusual length, as a bedstead or long table. Each of the main legs B B' is slotted longitudinally along its lower portion, and is hollow to receive the lower leg-section, *h*, which is provided with a clamp-screw, *k*, working in the slot *l* of the upper section, and serving to secure the lower section in place after adjustment according to the height of leg required.

C indicates the rocker attachments, which are made of stout wire or other material, having shoulders *m* and ends *n*, which are designed to be inserted in the open ends of the legs.

D represents the sectional hinged cover, consisting of the transverse main sections E, which are hinged together by their transverse edges *p* and the longitudinal end sections, F, which are hinged to the ends *q* of the main sections, the hinges being made without stops, so that the sections can fold in either direction. The small sections are provided with holes for fastening-pins or clamp-screws.

When the frame is set up by securing the rails to the upper ends of the legs, a table may be formed by placing the sectional hinged cover thereon. A bedstead may be made by shortening the legs of the table, removing the lower sections of the legs at each end, and inserting them in the upper ends of the main legs to form head and foot supports or posts. By reducing the size of the under framing and folding the cover to correspond a chair may be formed, the secondary leg-sections being placed in engagement with the hollow upper ends of the main leg-sections to form the back-support. By introducing the rockers into the lower ends of the hollow legs the chair will be converted into a rocking-chair. In order to form a crib, the end sections, F, are turned up and secured together to rest on the under framing. By adding the rocker attachments a cradle is formed. A high chair is formed by extending the legs and using the lower portions of other legs to form the back-supports. The cover may be bent rectangularly to form a box, the end sections, F, serving to form the

bottom and top. It is kept in shape by means of the rocker attachments, which are connected by their ends to socket-lugs *e* on the main sections.

5 Having described this invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

10 1. The combination, with the sectional and extensible legs B B' and the sectional and extensible rail-sections A A', of the rocker attachments C and the covering portion D, consisting of the main sections E, hinged together by their transverse edges, and the end sections, F, hinged to the ends of the main sections, sub-
15 stantially as specified.

2. The combination, with sectional and extensible leg-sections and sectional and extensible rail-sections, of the covering portion, consisting of main transverse sections hinged together and carrying hinged end sections, substantially as specified. 20

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

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