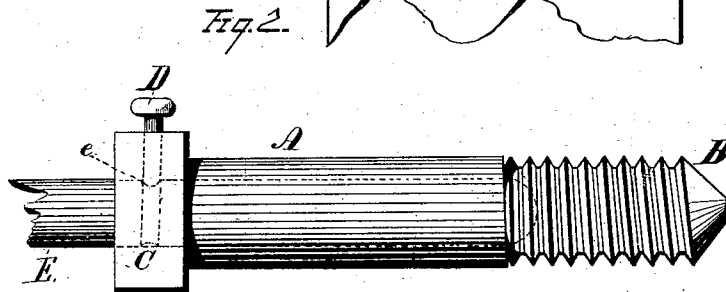
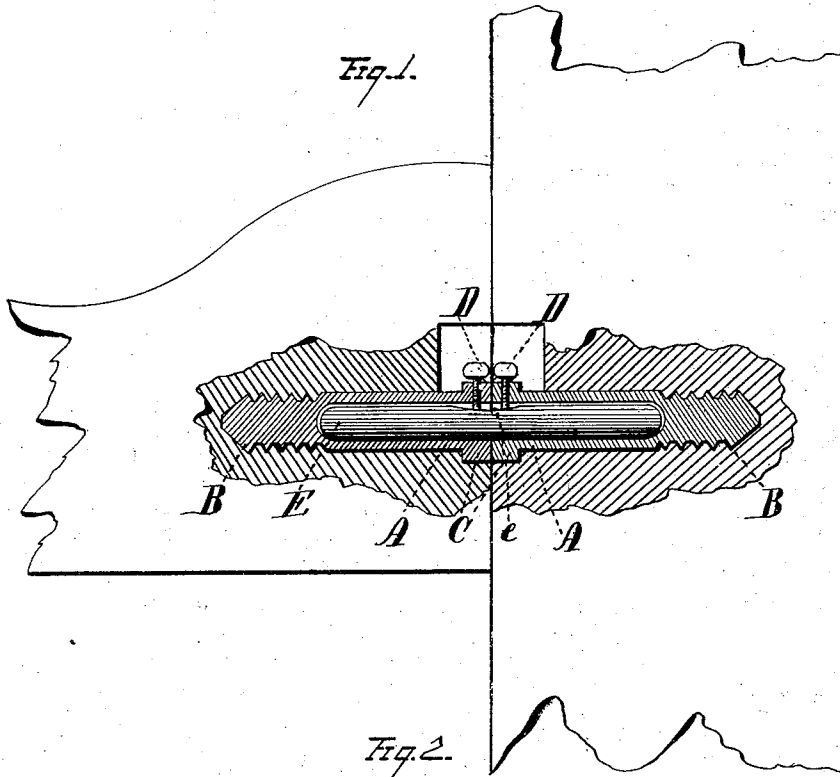


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IMPROVEMENT IN FASTENINGS FOR BEDSTEADS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANDREW F. STOWE, of Haverhill, in the county of Essex and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bed-Fastenings, &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 pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification.

My invention relates to a fastening for bedsteads, tables, &c.; and consists in two screw-sockets, one set into the bed-rail and the other set into the bed-post, the two united by a loose spindle having a central flat portion or annular recess, into which set-screws enter from each of the socket-heads, substantially as hereinafter set forth and claimed.

In the drawings, Figure 1 represents a sectional view of my invention as applied to bed-fastenings; Fig. 2, an enlarged detached view of the socket and spindle.

A is a socket, formed with a hollow that terminates on the inside at a point about opposite to the point where a screw-thread, B, starts upon the outside. B is a screw-thread formed to enter wood, and C is an angular-shaped head to facilitate screwing the socket into the wood. D is a set-screw, formed either with or without a thumb-piece. E is a loose central spindle, provided with a recess or flat portion, *e*; and the spindle is secured to the

socket by the set-screw D, setting into the flat or recess *e*.

When the spindle is placed in position and the two set-screws D introduced, the two devices are securely fastened together. A slight recess is made in each member of the article to allow of the set-screw being sunk below the face of the member, as shown in Fig. 1; or the screw may pass from the outside, through the rail or post and through the socket, against the spindle.

This device is not necessarily limited to bed-posts and bed-rails, but is equally applicable wherever a separate device to which the spindle is attached is to be secured to another to which the socket A is attached; and, instead of employing both sockets, the spindle may be secured to one of the objects in any suitable manner, and this object secured to the other by the use of a single socket and set-screw attached to the latter.

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

The combination of socket A, provided with a solid screw-cut end, B, set-screw D, and spindle E *e*, substantially as and for the purposes described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand.

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