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Wardrobe Bedsteads.

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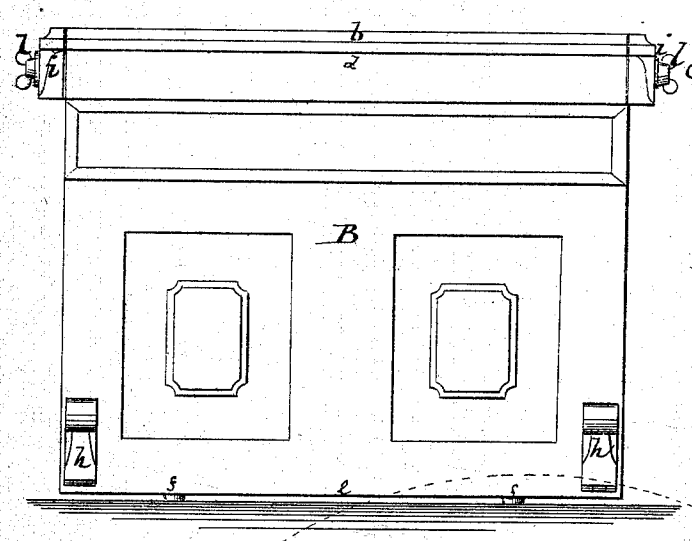
Fig: 1.



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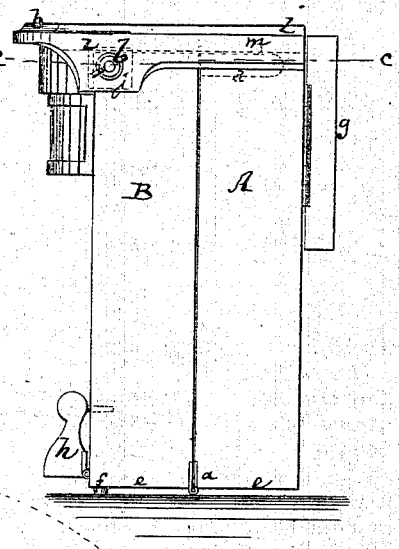

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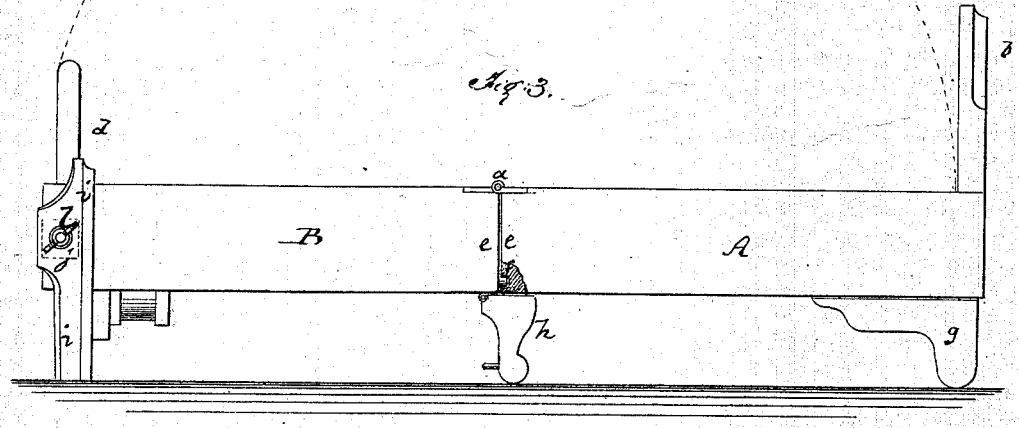

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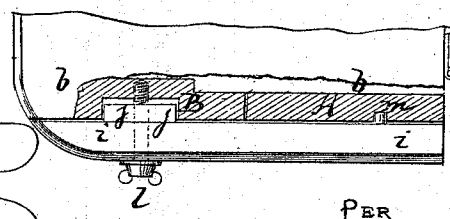

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IMPROVEMENT IN WARDROBE-BEDSTEADS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. **139,316**, dated May 27, 1873; application filed November 16, 1872.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, EDWARD HUNTER and DANIEL VAN SICKLE, of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a new and Improved Folding Bedstead, of which the following is a specification:

Figure 1 is a front elevation of our improved bedstead, showing it folded together. Fig. 2 is a side view of the same. Fig. 3 is a side view, showing the bedstead extended. Fig. 4 is a horizontal section on the line *c c*, Fig. 2.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

This invention belongs to the class of folding bedsteads designed to form, when folded, or not in use, a compact ornamental article of furniture; and it consists in the arrangement of the foot-legs to serve as an upper-side finish of the imitation bureau formed by the bedstead when folded, and also to lock or secure the two parts thereof together, as hereinafter described.

A and B in the drawing are the two main parts of the bedstead, hinged together at *a* and both nearly of same length. The part A, having the head-rest *b*, is slightly longer than B, so that the head-rest may overlap the foot-rest *d* when the bedstead is folded together. When thus folded together the edges *e e*, which are contiguous in the extended bed, are at the bottom of the folded bedstead or imitation bureau, as shown in Fig. 2. Dowel-pins *f f*, and corresponding recesses, are formed on the edges *e e*, respectively, to aid in holding the extended bedstead firm and secure. The bottom *f* of the part B is finished with moldings and panels to constitute an ornamental front to the imitation bureau. The bedstead is supported by three sets of legs, *g*, *h*, and *i*. The middle legs *h* are hinged to the under side of B, and help to support the inner ends of A and B. These middle legs are folded against the face of the bottom *f*, as in Fig. 2, and constitute ornamental brackets on the lower part of same. The head-legs *g* are hinged under A and folded, on the imitation bureau, against the back of the same, as in Fig. 2. The foot-legs *i* have square tenons *j* entering recesses in the sides of B, and are fastened by thumb-screws *l*. When the bedstead is folded together these foot-legs are turned and rest against the sides of both parts A B, at their upper parts, and serve to lock them together. This is effected by the tenon *j*, at one end of *i*, entering the recess in B, and by a dowel-pin, *m*, at the other end of *i*, entering a socket in A, as shown in Fig. 4. The screw *l* secures the piece *i* in place.

Having thus described our invention, we claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The clamping-screw *l*, foot-legs *i* provided with the tenon *j* and dowel-pin *m*, in combination with the two hinged and folding parts A and B of the bedstead, as and for the purpose specified.

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