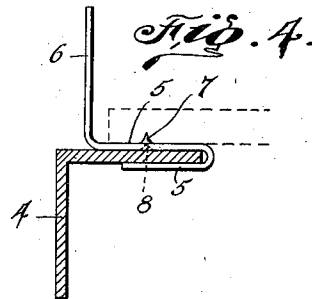
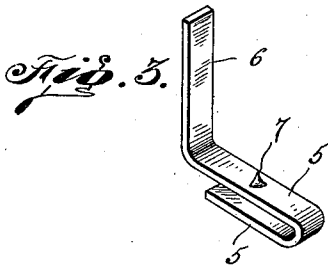
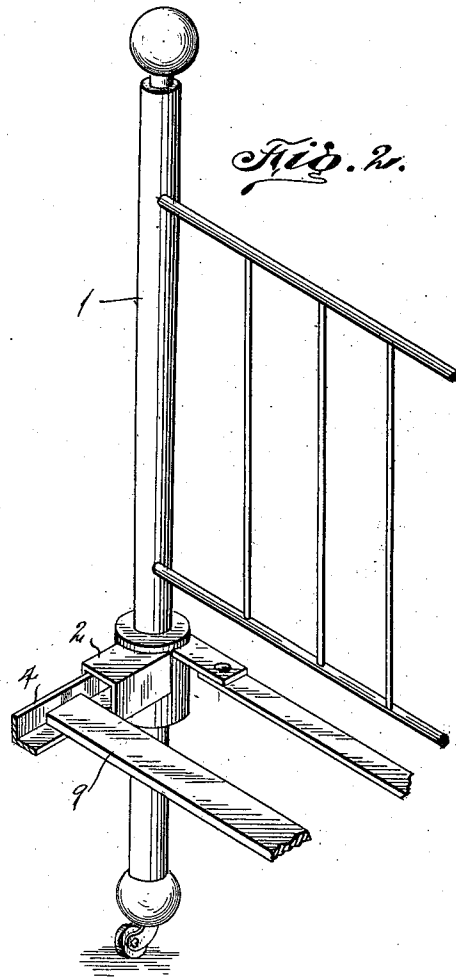
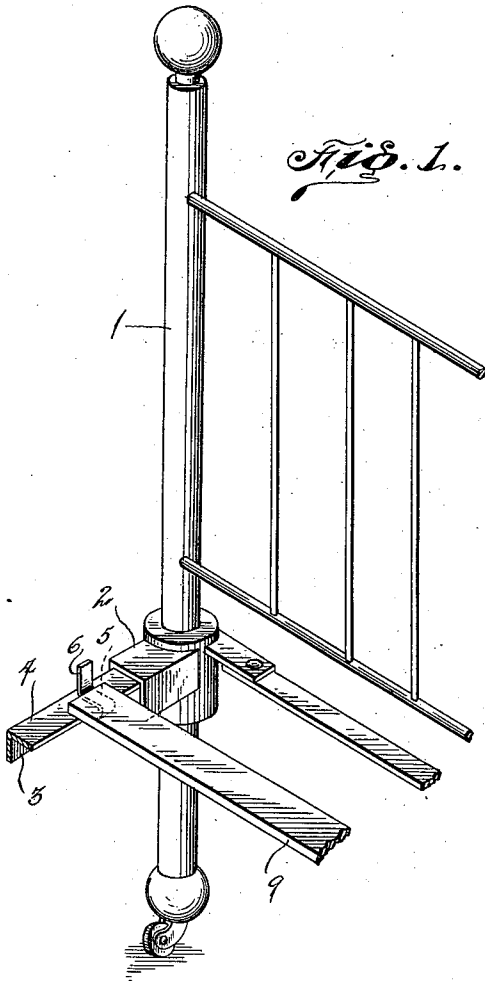


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM CHINTER, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Connellsville, in the county of Fayette and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Slat-Holders for Bedsteads, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

This invention relates to slat holders for bedsteads, and the primary object of my invention is to provide a small device that can be easily and quickly attached to the rail of a bed for positively holding the end of a slat and positioning a mattress or spring upon the bedstead.

Another object of the invention is to provide a device of the above type that is simple in construction, durable and highly efficient for the purposes for which it is intended.

I attain the above objects by a mechanical construction that will be hereinafter specifically described and then claimed, and reference will now be had to the drawing, wherein:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a portion of a bed showing one of the devices in position for holding the end of a slat, Fig. 2 is a similar view showing the ordinary way of holding the end of a slat, Fig. 3 is an enlarged perspective view of one of the devices, and Fig. 4 is a cross sectional view of the bed rail with the device applied thereto.

The reference numeral 1 denotes a bed post having a socket 2 for an angle bar-rail 3, this rail being inverted compared to the ordinary way of arranging the rails between the head and foot pieces of the bed.

The slat holding device to be attached to the lateral flange 4 of the rail 3 comprises a strip of metal bent to provide a U-shaped gripping member 5 and a vertical retaining member 6. The U-shaped member 5 is adapted to embrace the lateral flange 4, and this member has the top thereof provided with a teat or vertical projection 7, which

can be formed by punching or piercing the under side of the member 5, as at 8, the teat 7 presenting a sharp point for engaging in the under side of the end of a slat 9 placed upon said member. The upright member 6 of the device assists in retaining a spring or mattress upon the slats of the bed, and said slats cannot become laterally displaced when engaging the teat 7.

The device can be made of light and durable metal and easily placed in position to support the end of a slat.

What I claim is:—

1. A device of the type described comprising a U-shaped member having one end thereof bent to provide a vertical retaining member, and a teat carried by the top of said U-shaped member and adapted to engage in the under side of a slat.

2. A slat holding device made of a single strip of metal bent to provide a U-shaped member and a vertical retaining member, said U-shaped member being punched or pierced to provide an upwardly extending teat, substantially as described.

3. The combination with an angle rail, of a U-shaped member adapted to embrace the lateral flange of said rail, a vertical retaining member carried by said U-shaped member, and integral means carried by the upper face of said U-shaped member and adapted to hold the end of a slat, said latter means being positioned above the plane of the rail part embraced by the U-shaped member, substantially as described.

4. A slat holding device comprising a U-shaped member adapted to embrace the side rail of a bed, said member having slat-retaining means on its upper face, said retaining means being positioned above the plane of the rail part embraced by the U-shaped member.

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

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