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Fig. 1.

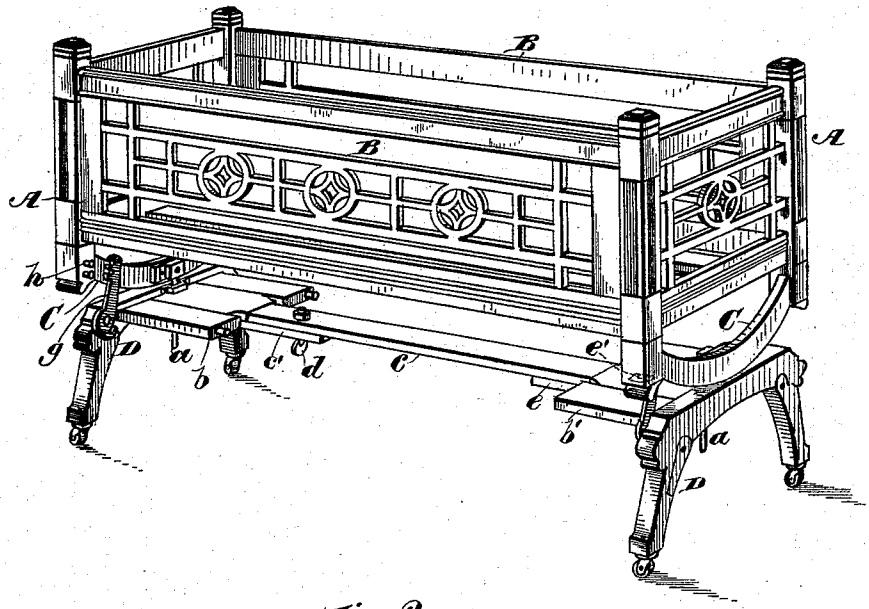
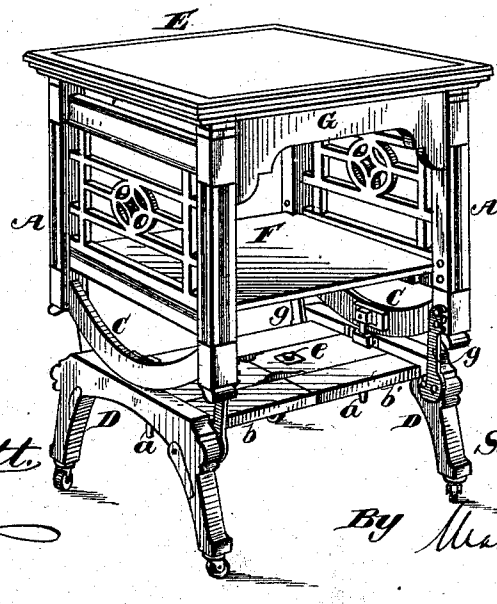


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SANFORD S. BURR, of Winnetka, in the State of Illinois, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Interconvertible Cribs and Tables, of which the following is a specification.

My improvement consists in an improvement on that kind of interconvertible crib and table described and claimed in my Letters Patent No. 252,730, of January 24, 1882. In the article in which my present invention is comprised the crib, unlike the one comprised in my patent, is a rocking-crib mounted on a stand which is extensible in somewhat the same way as an extension-table, so that the distance between its ends can be varied according to whether it is to be used as a part of the crib or a part of the table; and with the crib-rockers and stand are combined fastening devices, by means of which the crib ends can be held immovably in place whenever they are used as a part of the table.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the crib, and Fig. 2 is a like view of the same when converted into a table.

A are the crib ends, and B are the crib sides, having their top rails detachably fastened to the crib ends by the bed-irons, and their lower rails provided with dowels or steady-pins to enter corresponding sockets in the crib ends in the usual manner. The crib ends terminate below in rockers C, which rest on and are adapted to rock on the stand D, being held in place thereon by pins *a*, as is usual in this class of cribs. The stand D is extensible, so that its length may be varied to suit the particular use to which it is put. It may be made extensible in various ways. The preferred manner of constructing it, which permits the device connecting its ends to be used as a shelf, is illustrated in the drawings. As there shown, it consists of two ends, D, from the interior opposite faces of which project horizontal half-shelves *b b'*, of the width of the stand. The parts *b b'*, when the stand is used as a part of a crib, are, as shown in Fig. 1, connected by a cross-piece, *c*, which rests upon a tongue, *c'*, projecting from *b*, and is secured thereto by a screw, *d*. At the opposite end it is re-enforced on the under side by a strip, *e*, of the thickness of tongue *c'*, and this re-enforced end enters a recess formed for it in the under side of *b'*, where it is secured by a screw, *e'*. The cross connecting-piece *c* is thus detachable and can be removed when it is desired to convert the crib into a table. In this event, after removing the piece *c*, the parts D D can be brought together until the ends of the half-shelves *b b'* abut, in which position the dowels *f*, Fig. 1, on *b* will enter holes in the end of *b'* and the tongue *c'* will enter the recess in *b'* formerly filled by the re-enforced end of cross-piece *c*, in which position the tongue can be secured to *b'* by the screw *e'*. When the parts are thus placed (see Fig. 2) the stand constitutes a perfectly firm base for the table, and the two parts *b b'* form a convenient shelf.

With the extensible stand and crib ends are combined fastening devices which can, when occasion demands, be used to firmly connect the parts so that the crib ends will be held upright without capacity for any movement independently of the stand. These devices in the present instance consist of the pivoted hooks or latches *g* on the stand and the pins *h* on the crib ends. When the parts are used as a crib the hooks are free to be thrown back out of engagement with the pins, as indicated in Fig. 1, so that the crib may rock on the stand. When, however, they are used as a table the hooks are engaged with the pins, as indicated in Fig. 2, and then by means of a screw-driver the screw-pivots of the hooks are set up, so as to bind the latter in place, and the screw-pins are also screwed in so as to bring their heads tightly against the free ends of the hooks. In this way the parts are held immovably and securely together.

With the parts thus far described I make use of a table-top, E, of any approved shape and material, a shelf, F, and bracket-like connecting pieces or braces G, which in the table take the place occupied in the crib by the top rails of the crib sides, and are in the same way joined to the end pieces by bed-irons or other fastenings, such as used to hold the crib sides in place. The table-top, when the ends and stand are brought together, as indicated in Fig. 2, fits on top of the end, and may, if desired, be secured thereto in the manner indicated in my Letters Patent hereinbe-

fore referred to, or in any other convenient manner. The shelf F rests upon and is supported by the crib ends at the point where the slats rest and are supported in the crib, Fig. 1.

The manner in which this rocking-crib can be converted into a table and vice versa is sufficiently indicated in the foregoing description and requires no further explanation.

What I claim as of my invention is—

1. The rocking-crib ends, in combination with the extensible supporting-stand, substantially as and for the purposes hereinbefore set forth.

2. The rocking-crib ends and extensible supporting-stand, in combination with fastening devices whereby said parts may be immovably connected together without capacity for independent movement.

3. The extensible stand consisting of ends D, half-shelves *b b'*, adapted, when brought together end to end, to interlock and form a shelf, and the detachable cross connecting-piece *c*, in combination with the rocking-crib ends and fastening devices for immovably connecting said crib ends with the stand, substantially as set forth.

4. An interconvertible rocking-crib and table comprising the rocking-crib ends A and extensible supporting-stand for the same, fastening devices whereby said parts may be immovably connected together, and the crib sides B, table-top E, shelf F, and connecting pieces or braces G, adapted to be connected to and interchangeably used with the crib ends and extensible stand, in the manner and for the purposes set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 9th day of February, 1883.

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