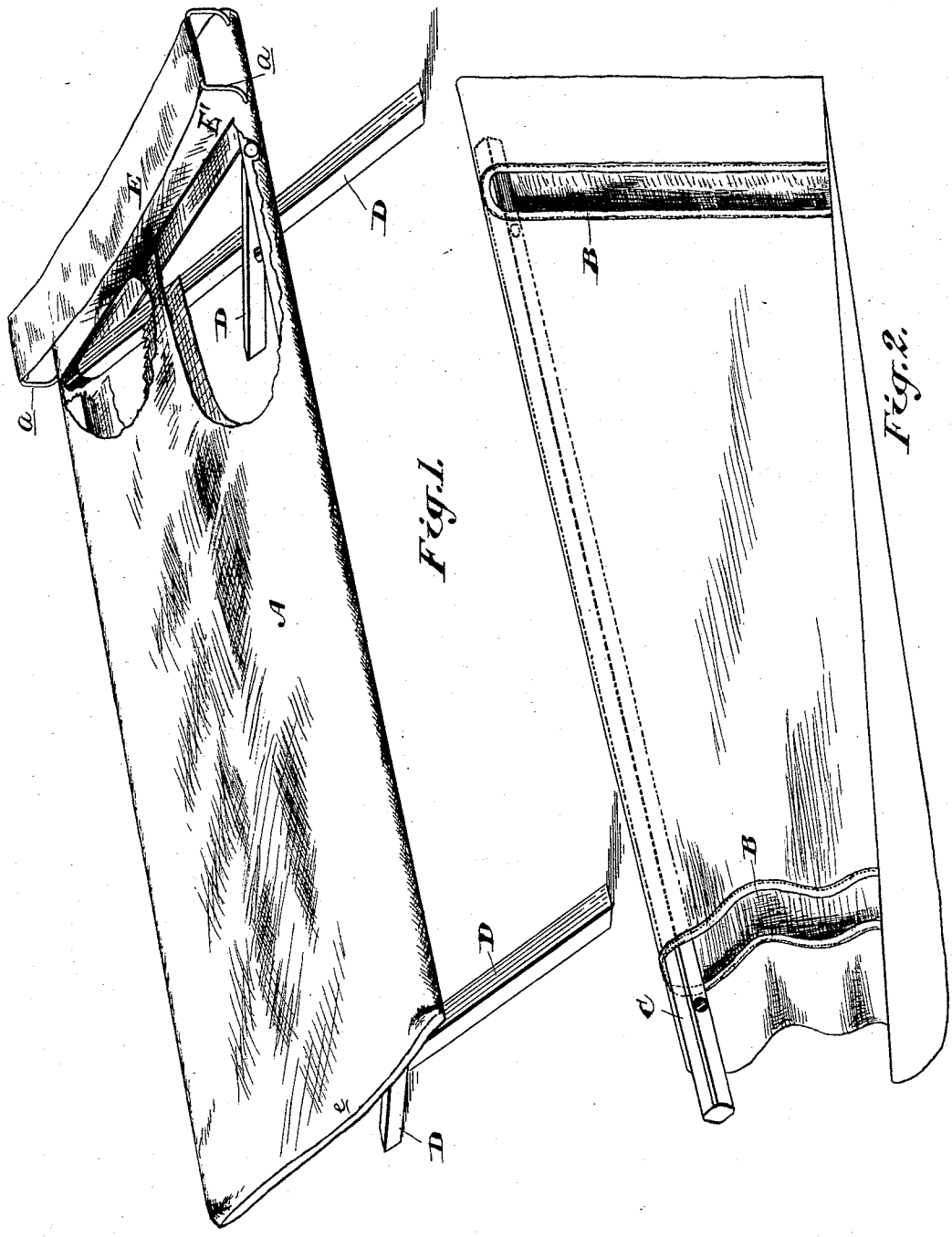
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN DICK, manufacturer, of the city of Toronto, in the county of York, in the Province of Ontario, Canada, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Camp-Beds, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in camp-beds; and it consists in the peculiar combinations and construction of parts, all as more fully hereinafter described and claimed.

Figure 1 is a perspective view, partially broken away, of my improved camp-bed set ready for use. Fig. 2 is a view showing the manner of inserting the side rails of the frame into the fabric forming the stretcher.

A represents the stretcher of the bed, which is preferably made of heavy linen canvas of two thicknesses sewed together to form a bag, both ends of which are preferably closed. One of the sides forming the said bag has two openings B made in it for the purpose of permitting the insertion of the side rails C, and also of allowing the legs D to be connected to the side rails and project through the lower side of the stretcher A.

It will be noticed that when the stretcher is expanded ready for use, as shown in Fig. 1, the full strength of the fabric is secured for holding the stretcher A to the side rails C. It therefore follows that it is practically impossible to tear off the stretcher from its frame. The construction, moreover, provides a space between the two thicknesses, which may be packed or stuffed with any suitable material to form a mattress, thereby avoiding the necessity of an under-blanket. In fact, the double thickness with the air-space left between the two will make the bed without stuffing quite as comfortable as a common camp-bed made of a single thickness of material and provided with an under-blanket.

E is a pillow attached to and supported by the uprights *a a*. This pillow, however, may sometimes be dispensed with by making one end of the fabric bag A narrower than the other end, the said narrow end, when the frame is inserted, being drawn tighter than the opposite end, as shown at E′, the said fabric bag being held gradually less tight toward the opposite end, which is left partially loose, as shown at *e*, and sags a little, said narrower end being taut and higher serves as a convenient and comfortable pillow, and in this instance, of course, the pillow E is not required.

By making the legs D detachable from the side rails C, which latter may also be removed, the bag-shaped stretcher A may be utilized for packing tents and other camping equipages, which may be inserted through the openings B.

What I claim as my invention is—

1. As an improved article of manufacture, a camp-bed composed of a fabric bag A, folded and closed at its ends and edges with a space between the folds, and one of said folds formed with the transverse openings B at a point remote from the ends, and a frame inserted in said openings and serving to stretch and support said bag, substantially as shown and described.

2. The camp-bed described, consisting of the bag-shaped stretcher A, folded, as described, and closed at the ends and edges, and one of said folds provided at a point remote from each end with the transverse openings B, the removable and detachable side rails C, inserted in said openings B, and the detachable legs D, all arranged and operating substantially as shown and described.

Toronto, August 4, 1888.

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