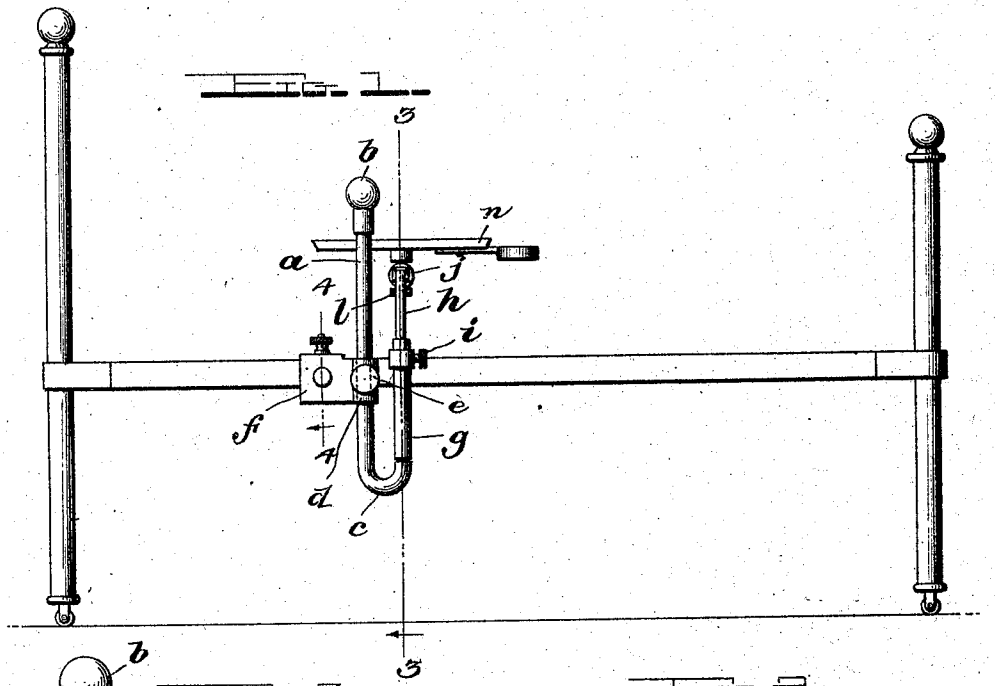
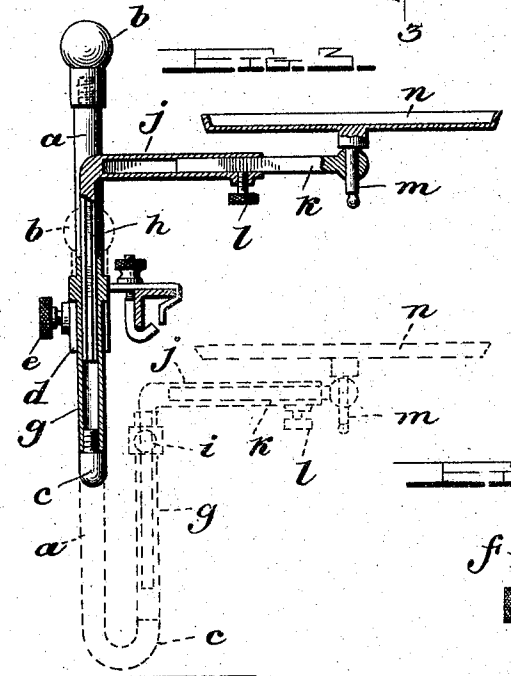
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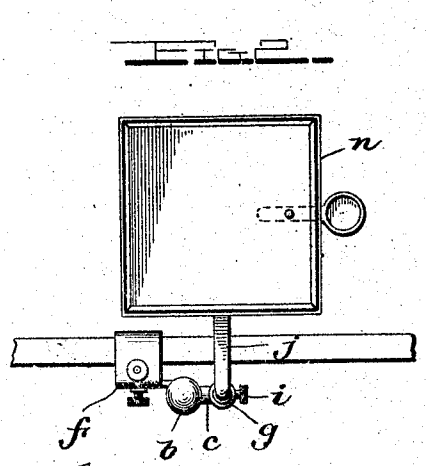
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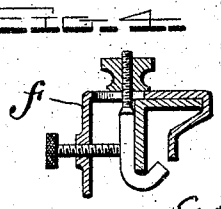
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ST. GEORGE CRAIG, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Clarksville, in the county of Montgomery, State of Tennessee, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bed-Tables, of which the following is a full and clear specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation showing my device applied to a bedstead of ordinary construction; Fig. 2 a plan view thereof; Fig. 3 a vertical sectional view on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1; and Fig. 4 a vertical sectional view on the line 4—4 of Fig. 1.

The object of this invention is to provide a simple sanitary table for use in connection with a bed, means being provided whereby the table may be adjusted to any point over the bed and whereby also the table may be dropped out and swung inwardly under the bed when the table is out of use, the construction being such that sanitary requirements are fulfilled in the highest degree, as more fully hereinafter set forth.

Referring to the drawing by reference characters, *a* designates a main standard circular in cross section provided at its upper end with a knob *b* threaded onto the end of the standard, and having its lower end bent upwardly to form an elbow or goose neck *c*. This standard *a* is slidably and rotatably held in a vertical tube or collar *d* by means of a set screw *e* carried by said collar *d*. The collar *d* is carried by a support *f* which is adapted to be detachably clamped to the outer face of the bed rail at any point in the length thereof, this clamping device being adapted for use on various styles of both wooden and metallic bed-rails. Any suitable form of clamp may be employed without departing from the spirit of my invention. The goose neck or bend *c* at the lower end of the main standard affords a support for a supplemental standard *g*, this standard being swiveled to the support *c* so that it is free to axially rotate. Any suitable swivel connection may be employed but I prefer, because of its simplicity, a threaded connection as shown in Fig. 3, this connection being desirable not only because it permits the supplemental standard to be readily rotated but also because it permits the standard to be disconnected from the support *c*.

The standard *g* is hollow and down into this standard depends a rod *h* adapted for vertical adjustment in the standard, a clamp screw *i* being employed to hold the rod at the adjusted point. This rod *h* is preferably held against rotation in the standard *g*, this being done in a simple manner by flattening the side of the rod against which the set screw *i* bears. The upper end of the rod *h* is bent at right angles to provide a horizontal arm *j*, and this arm *j* is made hollow to slidably receive a rod *k* which is locked in its adjustable position by means of a set screw *l*. This rod *k* is likewise fitted into the tubular arm *j* in such manner as to avoid rotation therein, this being desirably accomplished by making the rod *k* and the socket in the arm *j* angular in cross section. The outer end of the rod *k* is provided with a vertical hole down through which the pivot *m* of a table *n* depends, this pivot *m* permitting the table to be rotated horizontally. By adjusting the main standard upwardly in its sleeve *d* and rotating the supplemental standard *g* on this swivel joint, it will be seen that the table can be brought to a point over the bed; then by means of the vertically adjustable rod *h* and the horizontally adjustable rod *k* the table may be adjusted to the point desired, that is, to the point where it will be most convenient for the patient. By lowering the main standard *a* and rotating the supplemental standard *g*, the table may be readily swung inwardly under the bed where it will be out of the way. When thus adjusted to a position under the bed it will be observed that not only will the table be out of the way but all the supporting members, since the supplemental standard *g* and the parts *h* and *k* will be under or practically under the bed and the main standard *a* will be adjusted to a point to bring it down alongside of the bed, entirely below the mattress. It will thus be seen that I obtain important advantages by employing an adjustable and rotatable main standard and a rotatable supplemental standard.

As stated, I contemplate employing a clamp which may be used on the various types of bed rails now on the market. With some bed rails it will be necessary to invert the clamp, that is, turn it upside down, so as to more rigidly clamp the bed rail. In order that this inversion may be made, I make the knob *b* detachable from the stand-

ard so that the standard may be slipped down out of the clamp collar *d;* and then after the clamp is reversed, the main standard may be again inserted up through the collar and clamped at the desired point by the set screw *e*.

It will be observed that when the main standard *a* is lowered for the purpose of adjusting the parts to a position out of the way, the lower end of the knob *b* will rest upon the upper end of the sleeve *d* and prevent the bend or neck *c* from striking against the floor.

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

1. In a bed table, a support adapted for adjustable connection to a bed rail, a main standard and means for vertically and rotatably adjusting the standard in said support, said support engaging the standard at a point between the ends of the standard, the lower end of the main standard being provided with a lateral support, a supplemental standard rotatably mounted on this lateral support and supported parallel to the main standard and terminating short of its upper end, and table supporting means adjustably connected to the upper end of said supplemental standard.

2. In combination, a support adapted to be detachably attached to a bed rail, a main standard adjustable rotatably and vertically in said support, said support engaging the standard at a point between the ends of the standard, the upper end of the standard being provided with a removable stop member and the lower extremity of the standard being provided with a lateral supporting member, a supplemental standard adjacent to and parallel with the main standard and rotatably mounted on the supporting member at the lower end of the main standard, and adjustable table supporting means connected to the upper end of the supplemental standard.

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

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