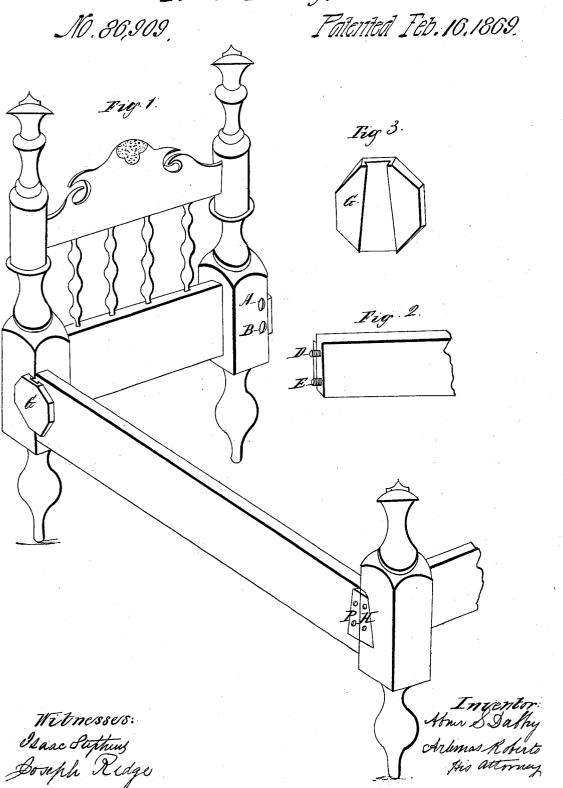
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Bedstead Tastening.





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IMPROVED FASTENING FOR BEDSTEADS.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ABNER S. DALBEY, of Richmond, in the county of Wayne, and State of Indiana, have invented a new and improved Fastening for Bedsteads; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification.

The nature of my invention relates to an improved method of securing together the rails and posts of bedsteads, whereby the clamping-device is independent of the bearing which supports the weight, and consists of cleats, secured near the ends of the rails, and contiguously upon the posts, over which dovetailed clamps are forced, thus binding the parts firmly and securely together.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe the same with reference to the drawings.

The bedstead is made in any of the usual forms, the rails being supported by bearings, consisting, in this example, of dowel-pins, as represented at D E, Figure 2.

The dovetailed cleats F H are made slightly tapering toward their upper ends, and secured respectively to the rail and post by wood-screws.

The clamp, or disk G, Figure 3, is provided with a tapering dovetailed groove, designed to fit closely upon the cleats, as represented at G, Figure 1, thus binding the parts firmly together. This disk may be plated, or made otherwise ornamental, and has the advantage of being readily applied or removed, while, from the fact of the weight being elsewhere supported, it is not liable to break, or to become wedged inconveniently

close upon the cleats.

Having thus fully described my said invention,

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Pat-

In combination with a bed-rail and post, the cleats F H and clamp G, substantially as described.

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