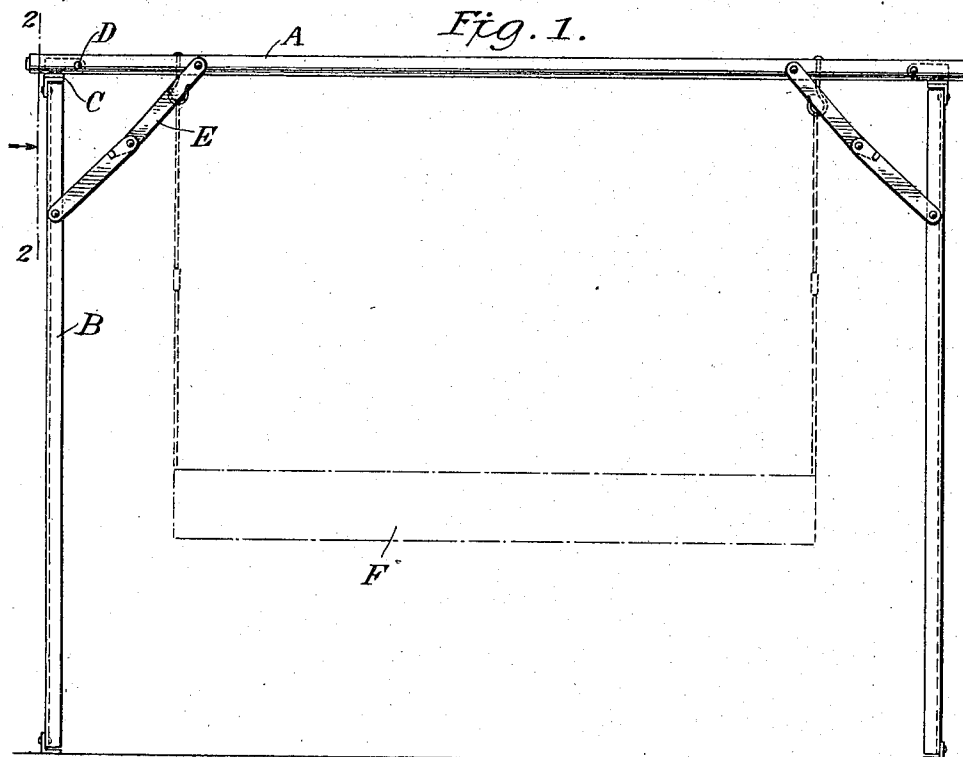
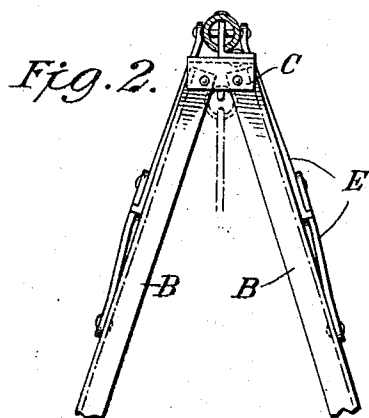
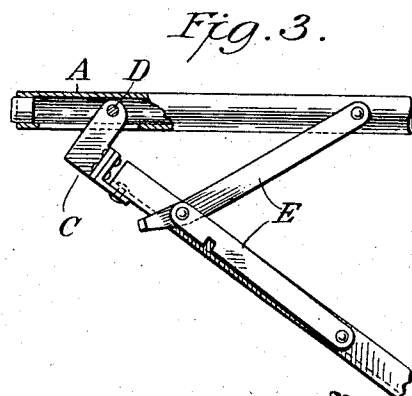
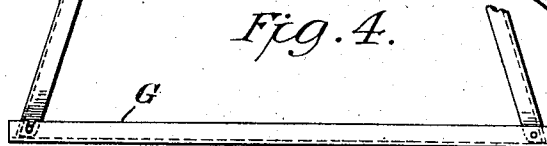


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, GEORGE F. SISBOWER, a citizen of the United States, residing at East Orange, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, and LOUIS EDWARD PITTONI, a subject of the King of Italy, residing at New York city, county and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Folding Ham-

5 mock-Stands, the following being a full, clear, and exact disclosure of the one form of our invention which we at present deem preferable.

For a detailed description of the present form of our invention, reference may be had to the following specification and to the accompanying drawing forming a part thereof, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of our device, Fig. 2 is an end elevation thereof partly in section on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1, and Figs. 3 and 4 show details.

In the folding hammock stands generally employed by the trade, it has been necessary to unscrew the parts to permit them to be folded. It is our purpose to provide a device of this kind in which all of the parts are permanently connected by joints which will permit the folding without resort to

25 screws or parts which require considerable strength to secure them and are liable to become rusted in place when exposed to the weather and to become lost when the structure is folded and stored away for the winter. This is a matter of practical importance in such structures which are largely used by women and children.

Referring to the drawing, F represents the hammock to be supported and the stand or supporting structure therefor comprises a tubular ridge rod A, with two legs B, B at each end thereof, which, when the stand is in use are spread apart at their lower ends as shown in Fig. 2 and are held against

40 further spreading by a latch rod G, shown in Fig. 4. Each leg of a pair is pivoted to a connection-piece C interposed between the pair of legs and the ridge rod. This connection-piece is shown as composed of two superimposed angular sections, the lower section having a vertical branch to which the legs are pivoted and the upper section being disposed longitudinally of the ridge rod and having a horizontal branch

which is riveted to the top of the upper section. The upright part of the upper section projects forward and at its extremity enters a slot in the ridge rod and is hinged thereto at the point D. By this means the connection-piece has a long bearing on the inside of the ridge rod and is also restrained laterally by the edges of the slot therein when the stand is in use, while, when the stand is folded, the legs being then drawn together and turned into a position parallel with the ridge rod, the connection-piece provides for the offsetting of the legs with respect to the ridge rod so that they may lie close against it when folded. The connection-piece may be made as a single casting or forging. Between each leg B and the ridge rod A is a collapsible or foldable brace E shown herein as a toggle formed of two links hinged to each other and to the leg on the one side and the ridge rod on the other side, with a lug on one link engaging a notch on the other link. These braces are flexible laterally so that they will yield to allow the two legs to come together for folding.

What we claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. A folding hammock stand comprising a ridge rod formed of a single continuous member, connecting pieces located at the ends of the ridge rod and each having a single arm pivotally attached thereto and a lateral extension, each connecting piece having a lower angularly arranged section attached to said extension, legs pivotally attached to the lower angularly arranged sections of said connecting pieces in pairs, and collapsible braces extending inwardly from the legs to the ridge pole and having permanent pivotal connection with both.

2. A folding hammock stand comprising a tubular ridge rod, connecting pieces located at the ends of the ridge rod and each having a single arm pivotally connected to the ridge rod within the same, said arm being positioned to abut against the wall of said ridge rod and to lie parallel therewith when in open position, legs pivotally attached in pairs to the respective connecting pieces, and collapsible braces extending inwardly from the legs to the ridge rod and having permanent pivotal connection with both.

3. A folding hammock stand comprising

a tubular ridge rod, connecting pieces located at the ends of the ridge rod and each having a single arm pivoted within the ridge rod and also having a lateral extension, each connecting piece also having a lower angularly arranged section attached to said extension, legs pivotally attached in pairs to the lower angularly arranged sections of the connecting pieces, and collapsible braces extending inwardly from

the braces to the ridge rod and having permanent pivotal connection with both.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands, before two subscribing witnesses, this thirteenth day of November, 1912.

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