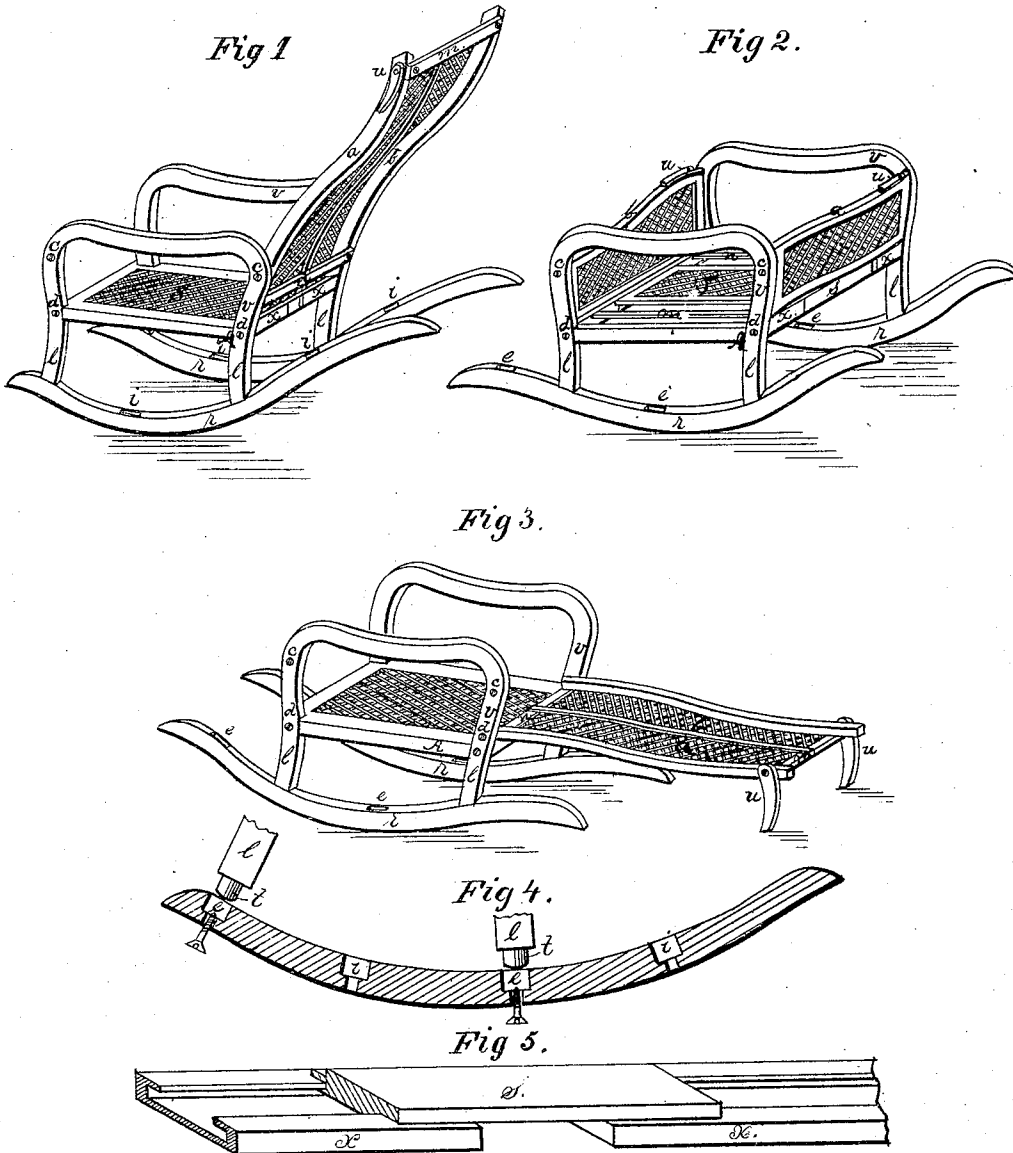


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To all whom it may concern :

Be it known that I, CHARLES H. LEVY, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a Combined Rocking-Chair and Cradle, of which the following is a specification:

My invention relates to the combination of a rocking-chair and a cradle in such a manner that the said rocking-chair may be transformed into a cradle, and also into an arm-chair or a lounge, as may be required, the object of this my invention being to produce one piece of furniture that may serve several purposes, and saving the storing of a cradle after being used and for the time not needed.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a rocking-chair embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of a cradle, also embodying my invention. Fig. 3 is a view, showing the manner in which a lounge may be produced. Figs. 4 and 5 represent detail parts of my invention.

A is the frame of the combined rocking-chair and cradle, which frame should be substantially constructed to resist the pressure impressed upon it by the seat when in use. The frame A is provided at the front and at the back with extension-slides *s x*, similar to the slides of an extension-table, to allow the sides of the frame to be extended when it is to be used as a cradle, or to be brought near when used as a chair. S is the seat, fastened to the frame A, at the front and at the back of the same, by means of the parts *s s* of the extension-slides. *a b* represent the back of the rocking-chair. They are also to serve as sides of the cradle, or as the bottom of the lounge. They are fastened to the frame A by means of the screws *c c* and *d d*, as may be seen in the drawings. *m* and *n* are bars fastened at the upper and at the lower parts at the back of the parts *a b* to hold them in joint when in use as a back of a rocking-chair, or as the bottom of a lounge. They may also be used as laths when a cradle is made, as may be seen in Fig. 2. *u u* represent ornaments of the parts *a* and *b*. They are to serve as legs to the parts *a b* when used as the bottom of a lounge. *l l* are the legs of the combined rocking-chair and cradle, provided at their ends with the pins *t t* fitting into the recesses *e e*

and *i i*, with which the runners *r r* are provided, and thus allowing the latter to be fastened to the said legs by means of the screws *o o*. It is plainly to be seen that the runners *r r* may be changed or even left off from the legs *l l*, as may be required.

When used as a rocking-chair, the extension-slides *s x* are to be closed to bring the sides of the frame A as near together as the seat S will permit. The back, formed by the parts *a b* joining at the center of the back, are held together at the upper part by the bar *m*, and at the lower part by the bar *n*. The back *a b* is then to be fastened to the frame A at the back-bearings *v v* by means of the screws *c c* and *d d*. The runners *r r* are to be fastened to the legs *l l* by placing the pins *t t* of the legs into the recesses *e e*, with which the runners are provided, fastening them by means of the screws *o o*.

When an arm-chair is to be formed, the screws *o o* are to be withdrawn from the runners *r r*, allowing the latter to be removed from the legs *l l*. Casters may then be attached to the pins *t t*.

When a cradle is to be made, the runners *r* have to be attached again to the legs by placing the pins *t t* into the recesses *i i*, and fastening them by means of the screws *o o*. The back *a b* has to be removed, and is to be separated to become the sides of the cradle. The sides of the frame are to be extended by drawing out the extension-slides *s x*, fastened to the front and to the back of the frame A, and thus changing the sides of the frame into the head and foot parts of the cradle. The parts *a b*, being separated, are to be inserted as sides of the cradle, and fastened to the front and to the back bearings *v v* by means of the screws *c c* and *d d*. The bars *m* and *n* may then serve as laths at the interstices between the seat S and the head and foot parts of the cradle, as may be seen in Fig. 2.

When a lounge is to be made, the side parts of the frame A are to be brought together as close as the seat S will allow. After having the parts *a b* separated from the frame and joined together by means of the bars *m* and *n*, to serve as the bottom of the lounge, they are to be fastened to the back-bearings *v v* by means of the screws *d d*, as may be seen in

Fig. 3 of the drawings, allowing *a* and *b* to swing up and down. The ornaments *u u* fastened to the same may thus be used as the lower legs of the lounge.

The utility of this furniture is without question, as any one can change it into a rocking-chair, arm-chair, cradle, or lounge without any trouble whatsoever, and thus being suitable for various purposes.

Having now fully described my invention, I

claim for me as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The combination of the frame *A* and the extension-slides *s x*, together with the separable parts *a b*, as hereinbefore described, and for the purpose set forth.

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