

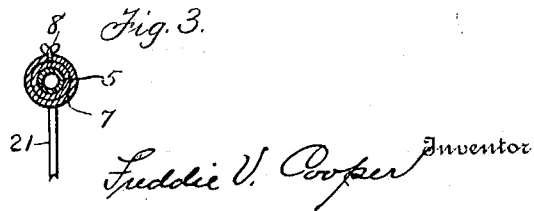
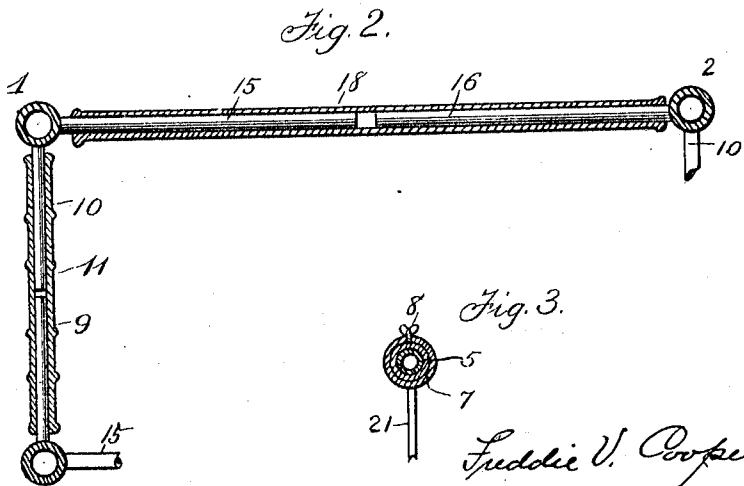
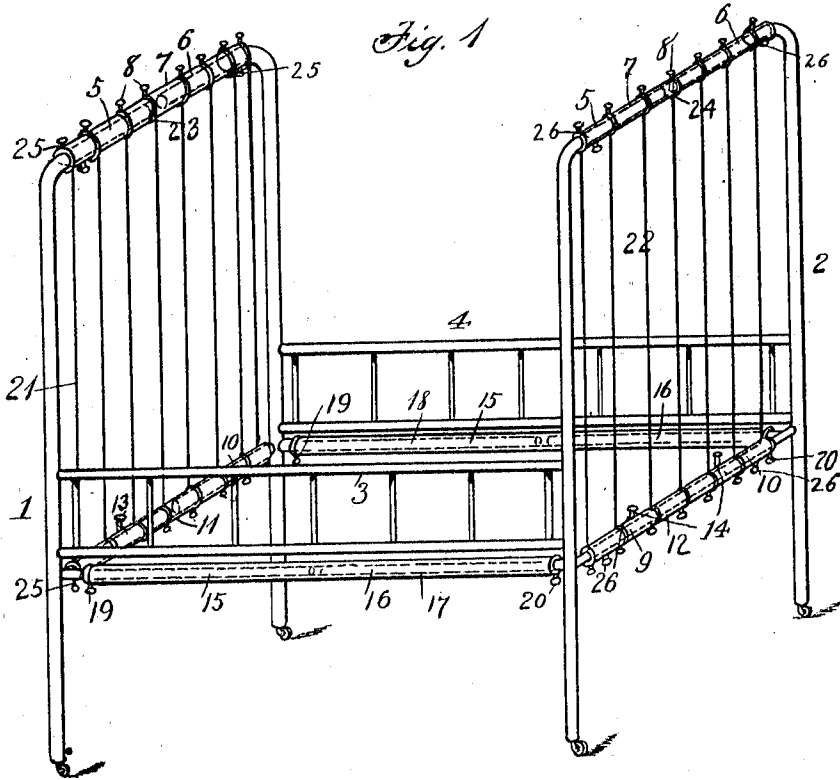
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FREDDIE V. COOPER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Sylvania, in the county of Screven and State of Georgia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bedsteads, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in bedsteads, more especially the type which may be termed cribs.

It has for its object to provide not only an article of this character which shall serve equally the purpose of a crib for children, but which may be readily convertible for use as a bed of the requisite dimensions for adults or elders.

It has also for its object to carry out these ends in a simple, inexpensive and effective manner.

The invention consists of certain instrumentalities or features substantially as hereinafter fully disclosed and defined by the claim.

In the accompanying drawings illustrating the preferred embodiment of my invention: Figure 1 is a perspective view thereof; Fig. 2 is a broken detailed view disclosing more particularly a tubular coupling member and sectional lateral or side rails or members, the like arrangement of parts also being characteristic of the connections or couplings between the sections of the end or head and foot members; Fig. 3 is also a like view of a set screw equipped tubular terminal or sleeve of one of the filling-in rods or braces of the upright head or foot frame-sections.

In carrying out my invention, I construct the crib of end or head and foot members 1 and 2, consisting of complementary frame-sections, and lateral members 3, 4, generally said complementary frame-sections having their lower end portions adapted to serve as legs, which may be provided with casters or rolls for obvious reasons. Said lateral members 3, 4, are detachably connected to the frame sections in any well known or usual way, for their ready removal when it may be desired to convert the crib into a bedstead for adults or older persons, as will appear fully presently. Said complementary frame-sections include upper end horizontal portions 5 and 6 which are received or encompassed by a tubular member or coupling 7, within which the portions or arms 5, 6 are

held and adjustable by means of set-screws 8 suitably applied to said tubular member and engaging said portions or arms. In like manner, said head and foot frame-sections have applied thereto, just at what may be designated the upper ends of their leg-forming portion, additional horizontal portions or arms 9 and 10, the same also being received or encompassed by tubular members or couplings 11 and 12, respectively, also equipped with set screws 13 and 14 engaging said portions or arms, respectively. By this arrangement, the bedstead may either be extended or contracted laterally, in providing for widening or narrowing the bedstead for a purpose later stated. Also applied to the frame-sections of the head and foot members 1, 2, at corresponding points thereon, with the before described arms and tubular members, are lateral horizontal portions or arms 15 and 16 extending longitudinally of the crib or bed, which are also received and encompassed by tubular members or couplings 17 and 18 respectively also equipped with set-screws 19 and 20 engaging said horizontal lateral portions, whereby the bedstead may be lengthened or shortened which, together with the above described adjustment, provides for varying the crib or bedstead in both directions, accordingly accommodating it for the use of adults or older persons, as well, or for converting it into a double bed.

The head and foot members 1, 2, are supplied with filling-in rods or braces 21, 22 whose ends are provided with sleeve-terminals 23, 24 respectively, adapted to be applied to, or receive the upper tubular coupling members of the frame-sections of the members, 1, 2, and the lower corresponding coupling members between the latter. Said sleeve-terminals are provided with set-screws 25, 26 respectively for their retention in effective position, also their relative adjustment in suitably spacing-apart the rods or members 21, 22, as when varying the width of the bedstead.

It will be understood that I provide adjustable slats (not shown) in connection with my crib or bedstead; also that I may employ springs of any size desired.

It will thus be observed that I have provided a child's crib which is readily convertible into a single or double bed according to the requirements or necessities of

the occasion; also that the same is carried out in a simple, inexpensive and effective manner.

I claim:—

- 5 A convertible crib and bedstead, including upright head and foot frame members each formed of complementary sections, each complementary section consisting of an upright having an upper end horizontal extension arranged laterally thereof, said up-
10 right having lower down thereon an additional extension at right angles to the afore-said extension, tubular coupling members for said extensions, means effecting connection between said coupling members and

said extensions, filling-in rod members for said head and foot frame members, said filling-in rod members having at their ends rings slipped upon the couplings between the upper and lower lateral extensions of the complementary sections of the head and foot frame-members, and means effecting connection between said rings and the last-referred to couplings.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature 25
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