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Fig. 1.

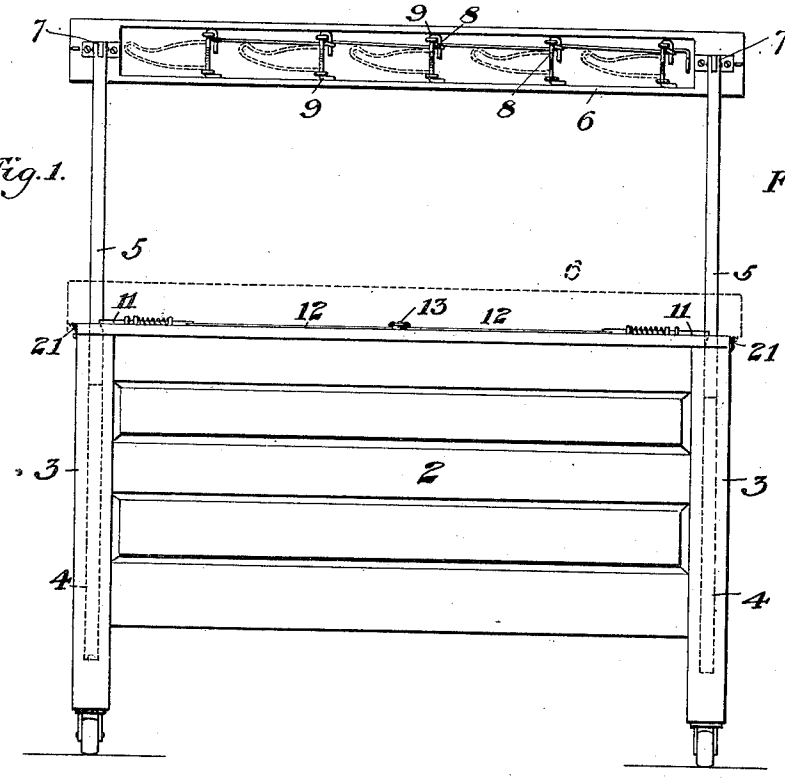


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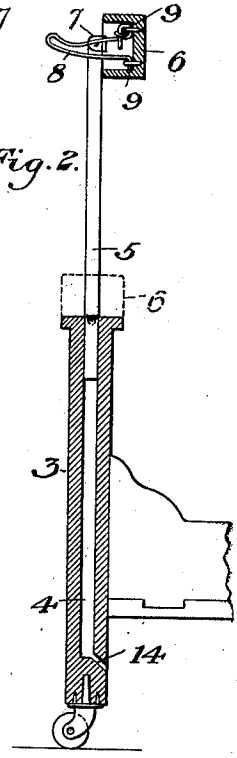
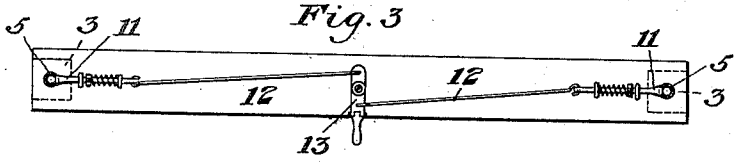


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH A. MARTIN, of Pittsburg, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Attachments for Bedsteads, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is an end view of a bedstead, showing my improvement. Fig. 2 is vertical sectional view of the same. Fig. 3 is a plan view showing the lock for holding the clothes-rack in its elevated position.

My invention relates to an attachment for bedsteads whereby a convenient clothes-rack may be readily and quickly opened for use or closed, so as to be out of the way when not in use; and it consists in a clothes-rack so attached to the bedstead as to afford perfect facilities for hanging clothes at night or when the bedstead is in use and to be hidden from sight and out of the way during the day or when the bedstead is not in use, as is hereinafter described.

I will now describe my invention so that others skilled in the art may manufacture and use the same.

In the drawings, 2 represents the bedstead, which may be of any ordinary form and of wood or of brass or other metal. The end posts 3 of the bedstead are provided with a longitudinal cavity 4, in which are telescopically fitted the standards 5. The top rail 6 of the end of the bedstead is hinged to these standards by suitable pivots or hinges 7, and it is otherwise detached from the end of the bedstead and merely rests thereon and is held in place by hooks or catches 21 when the standards 5 are in their lowered position. This top rail 6 is recessed and inside of the recess are clothes-hooks 8, so pivoted on pivots 9 as to swing within the recess and be concealed therein when the top rail is in its lowered position. On top of the end of the bedstead, between the standards 5 and arranged to be concealed by the top rail 6 when it is in its its lowered position, are spring locking-dogs 11, which are connected with operating-rods 12 and hand-lever 13, the purpose of which is to lock the standards in their elevated position by the dogs 11 engaging in recesses in the standards. At the bottom of the cavities 3 is a channel 14 for the escape of water, dirt, or dust that may enter the cavities.

The operation is as follows: When it is desired to put the clothes-rack into use, the top rail 6 and the standards 5 are raised to their elevated position, where they are held by the spring locking-dogs 11, and the top rail 6 being hinged falls back, exposing its under recessed side, in which are the pivoted clothes-hooks 8, which are then swung out so as to project from the face of the top rail and afford convenient supports for hanging clothes. When it is desired to put the clothes-rack out of sight and out of the way, the hooks 11 are swung back into the recess in the top rail, the dogs 11 are released by the lever 13, the standards are lowered, and the top rail is swung over into its original position on top of the end of the bedstead.

The advantages of my invention will be apparent to those skilled in the art, as it supplies a want long felt in hotels and other places where the rooms are small, and it affords a convenient and efficient clothes-rack which is easily put out of sight and out of the way when not in use.

What I claim is—

In combination with a bedstead, standards adapted to slide in the posts of the bedstead and a hinged top rail having clothes-hooks, said rail being adapted to cover and conceal the hooks and standards.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand.

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