

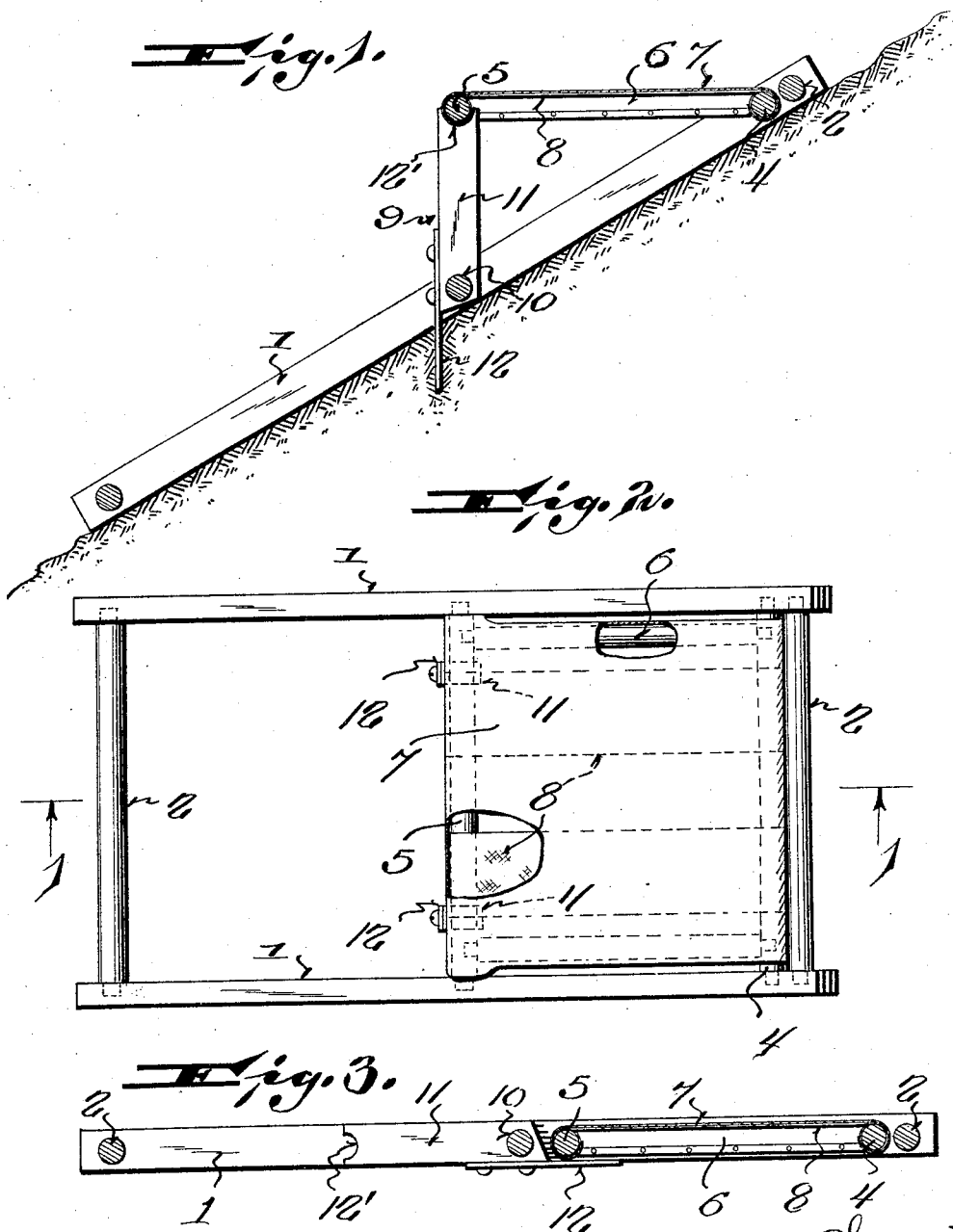
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This invention pertains to furniture, and more particularly to a collapsible terrace chair adapted to be placed on an inclined terrace to firmly support an occupant in normal, upright position.

The primary object of the present invention resides in the provision of an extremely simple, inexpensive and durable collapsible chair structure of the foregoing type, adapted to anchor itself on an inclined terrace when set up for use.

Incidental to the foregoing, a more specific object resides in the provision of a collapsible terrace chair comprising a pair of runners having a seat section pivotally connected thereto, and a combination pivotal support for said seat section and anchor for said runners to hold the same on an inclined terrace.

With the above and other objects in view, which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention resides in the novel construction, combination and arrangement of parts, substantially as hereinafter described and more particularly defined by the appended claims, it being understood that such changes in the precise embodiment of the herein disclosed invention may be made as come within the scope of the claims.

In the accompanying drawing is illustrated one complete example of the physical embodiment of the present invention constructed according to the best mode so far devised for the practical application of the principles thereof.

In the drawing:—

Figure 1 is a longitudinal section through a chair constructed in accordance with one form of the present invention, the same being illustrated in set-up position on an inclined terrace.

Figure 2 is a plan view, with parts broken away and in section, and

Figure 3 is a longitudinal section through the chair in collapsed position.

Referring now more particularly to the accompanying drawing, the numerals 1 designate a pair of spaced runners connected at their upper and lower ends by transverse braces 2. Pivotaly connected between the

runners 1, adjacent their upper ends, is a pintle 4 connected with a front transverse member 5 by means of the longitudinal side stretches 6. A seat cover of fabric, or other suitable material, is secured to the pintle 4, and the transverse brace 5, the covering being further supported by means of the straps 8 also secured to the pintle 4 and transverse brace 5 below the seat cover.

In order to support the seat in horizontal position, when the runners are positioned on an inclined terrace, as illustrated in Figure 1, a support 9 is pivotally connected to the runners 1, intermediate their upper and lower ends, and comprises a transverse pintle 10 having secured thereto a pair of arms 11, the upper ends of which are bifurcated at 12 for the reception of the front transverse brace 5 of the seat section. Prongs 12 secured to the uprights 11 serve to project into the ground to anchor the runners against longitudinal movement when the chair is set up in operative position, and inasmuch as the forward ends of the seat section engage the bifurcated ends of the uprights, the same are prevented from tilting, particularly with the weight of the occupant upon the seat portion.

When it is desired to collapse the chair, the front end of the seat section is raised, releasing the supporting arms 11 and allowing the same to be swung forwardly to nested position between the runners, as illustrated in Figure 3. The seat can then be swung downwardly between the runners and held in nested position by the rearwardly projecting prongs 12.

From the foregoing explanation, taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawing, it will be readily seen that an exceedingly simple, inexpensive and rigid seat structure has been provided, which can be quickly set up on an inclined terrace to support an occupant in normal, upright position, and which can be readily collapsed for compact storage or carrying.

While I have specified prongs for holding the lawn chair against movement, it is to be understood that I do not limit myself to this precise structure, in that different

forms of spikes, angle irons, screws, or the like, can be used in lieu thereof.

I claim:—

1. A chair of the character described comprising a pair of longitudinal runners, a cross brace connecting the said runners adjacent their upper and lower ends, a seat section pivotally connected at one of its ends to said runners, a pair of pivotal uprights for engaging the forward end of said seat section in raised position, said uprights being pivotally connected between said runners ahead of the forward end of said seat section when the latter is collapsed, and a pair of prongs carried by said uprights for engagement in the ground when said uprights are in vertical, supporting position.

2. A chair of the character described comprising a pair of longitudinal runners, a cross brace connecting the said runners adjacent their upper and lower ends, a seat section pivotally connected at one of its ends to said runners, a pair of pivotal uprights for engaging the forward end of said seat section in raised position, said uprights being pivotally connected between said runners ahead of the forward end of said seat section when the latter is collapsed, and a pair of prongs carried by said uprights for engagement in the ground when said uprights are in vertical, supporting position, said uprights being notched at their upper ends for reception of the forward end of said seat section.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand at Sheboygan, in the county of Sheboygan and State of Wisconsin.

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