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ROCKING FURNITURE.

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Fig. 1.

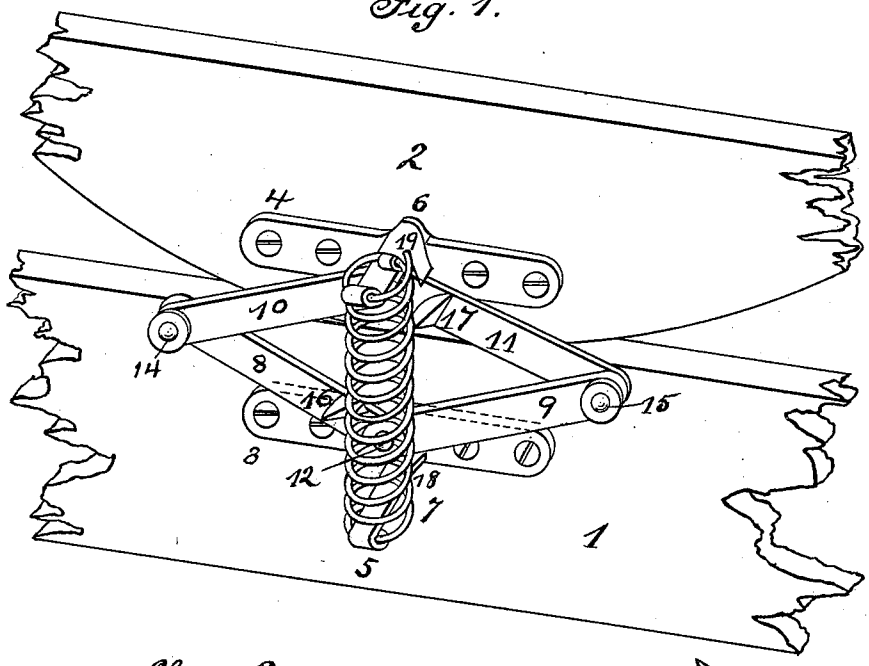


Fig. 2

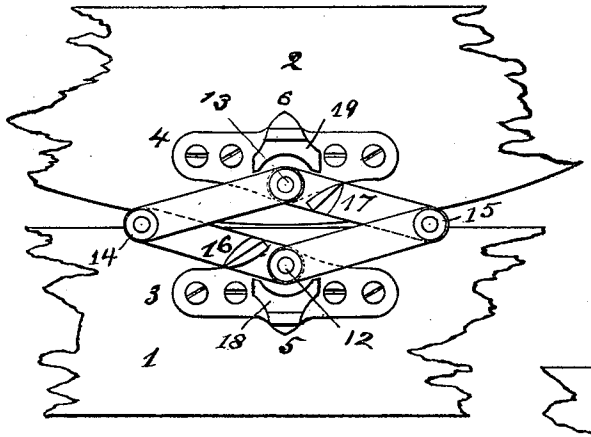


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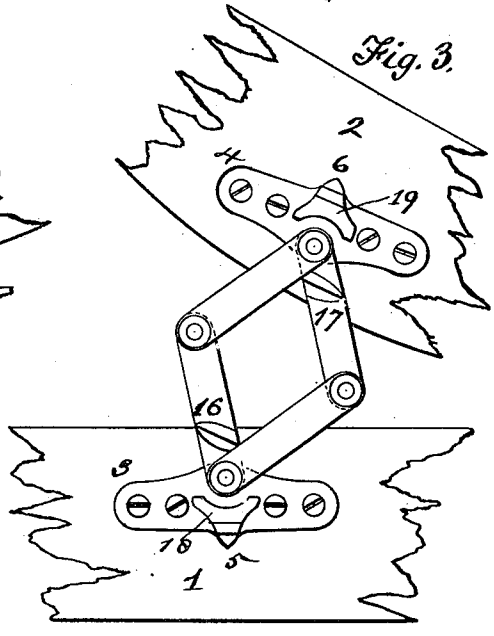
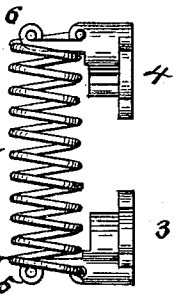


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALBERT G. WICKER, of Cincinnati, Hamilton county, Ohio, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Rocking Furniture, of which the following is a specification.

My present invention relates to improvements in the class of rocking devices for furniture illustrated in the Patent No. 348,809, granted to me on the 7th day of September, 1886, to which reference may be made for description of details not specifically shown or described in the present specification.

My present form, while possessing all the advantages of that described in my said patent, is of somewhat different and at the same time of simpler construction, and is more noiseless in its operation.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a side elevation of my device in its normal or erect condition. Figs. 2 and 3 respectively represent the rocking member in the erect and a canted or rocked position. Fig. 4 is a transverse elevation of the brackets and connecting-spring.

1 may represent a customary or any suitable base or platform.

2 may represent the rocking member of a child's crib or other article of rocking furniture.

The two coupling devices (one for each rocker) being of identical construction, description of one will serve for both.

3 4 are two similar brackets, which are screwed to the platform and rocker, respectively, and which have lugs 5 6, to which are fastened the extremities of a helical spring, 7. The said brackets also have wings 18 19.

8 9 10 11 are four bars of identical dimensions, which have their extremities connected by pivots 12 13 14 15 in the form of a quadrangle, as represented. This quadrangle is connected by two of its diametrically-remote pivots, 12 13, with the platform and rocker, respectively. Spurs 16 17 upon two of the bars (by their impact against the opposing bars) operate as stops to limit the oscillations of the rocker, as indicated in Fig. 3.

This device, with the wings 18 19, may be used without the spring, which is mainly useful to hold the members in contact when the crib or other piece of furniture is lifted from place to place by its rocking member; also, this device, with the wings 18 19, will be found to prevent the displacement of the members by a relative longitudinal movement of one to the other, unless the rocking member is rocked, in which latter case such member will return, when left alone, to the position it first occupied.

I reserve the right to modify the above described preferred form of my invention. For example, the spurs 16 17 may be omitted in some descriptions of rocking furniture.

I claim as new and of my invention—

1. The combination, with the platform and rocking member and the brackets on each provided with side wings, 18 19, of quadrangularly-pivoted bars having pivoted connection with the respective brackets, whereby the device is restored to its normal or erect position, substantially as set forth.

2. The combination, with the platform and rocking member and the brackets on each provided with side wings, 18 19, of quadrangularly-pivoted bars having pivoted connection with the respective brackets, and a helical spring, also connected with the respective brackets, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

3. The combination, with the platform 1 and the rocking member 2, (whose brackets 3 4 are connected by a helical spring, 7, and have the wings 18 19,) of the quadrangularly-pivoted bars 8 9 10 11, having the spurs 16 17, and having the pivoted connections 13 14 with the respective brackets 3 and 4, as and for the purposes set forth.

In testimony of which invention I hereunto set my hand.

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