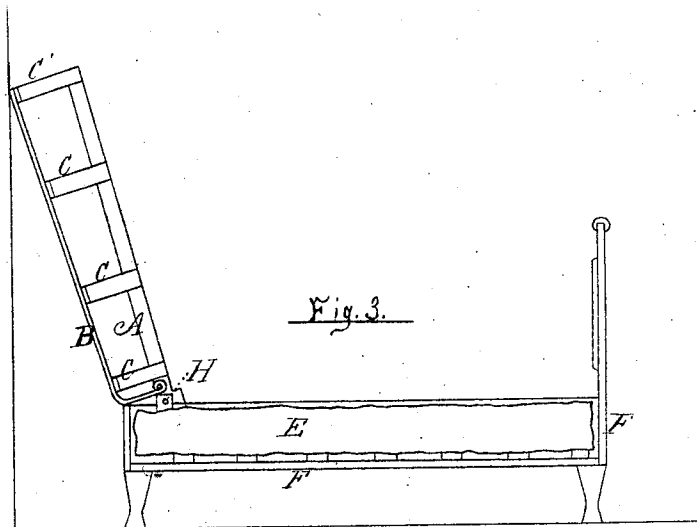
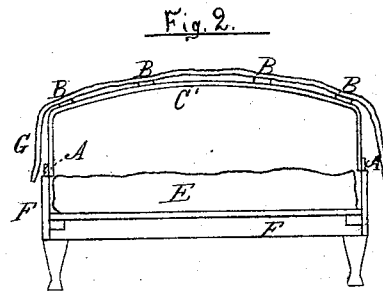
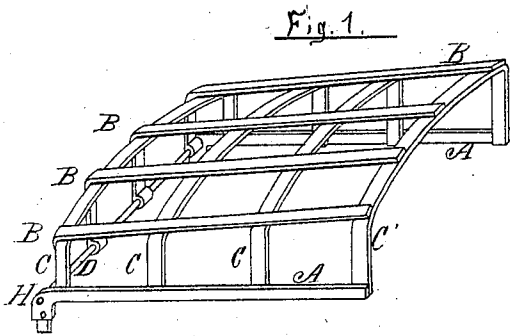


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SPECIFICATION.

I, GEORGE A. McLANE, of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a Device for Supporting Bed-Clothes Above the Body, of which the following is a specification:

The present invention relates to a simple, cheap, and useful device for supporting bed-clothes above the body, whereby a person is relieved from pressure and inconvenience of heavy clothing, while at the same time the clothes come close enough to the person to secure the proper degree of heat in cold weather when the usual bedding is used, and yet not so closely as to touch the person. The nature of the device consists in the novel construction of a skeleton frame, which is made of spring steel or other suitable material, and arranged to fit inside of a bed, berth, or cot, and swing open or up for the convenience of a person adjusting it, and to prevent it being injured by children or by having articles thrown upon it, as the whole is hereinafter fully shown and described.

In the drawing, Figure 1 is a perspective representation of my invention; Fig. 2, a transverse section of the same; Fig. 3, a longitudinal elevation thereof as it is hung to a bedstead and elevated.

A D represent the side and back rim of the frame, which is made of spring-steel, but other metal, or wood, may be substituted. To the side rims A are fastened hoops C C', which are bent so as to have such an elevation above the

body as not to touch it, the hoop C' being the hoop at the head. B B are longitudinal stays, which fasten to hoops C C', and which are bent downward at the foot of the frame, so as to fasten to the rim D, Fig. 1. The whole length of the support is such that it will reach the pillows at the head of the bed. In ordinary cases the device can be removed from the bed or cot by hand, but it will be more convenient if it be hinged or jointed to a bedstead, as shown at Fig. 3, so as to be swung up out of the way. For berths or cots it can be hinged at the side A of the rim, so as to swing back against a wall, in which case it can be conveniently used in car or boat berths. In summer or warm weather the clothing can all be put on the outside of the support, but in cold weather a part can be put over the body beneath it. By this means children and feeble persons are relieved from the pressure of bedding which is necessary to keep them warm in cold weather, while at the same time a person can be kept very cool in warm weather.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A device for supporting bed-clothes above the body as a new article of manufacture, consisting of the frame A B C C' D H, as and for the purpose set forth.

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