

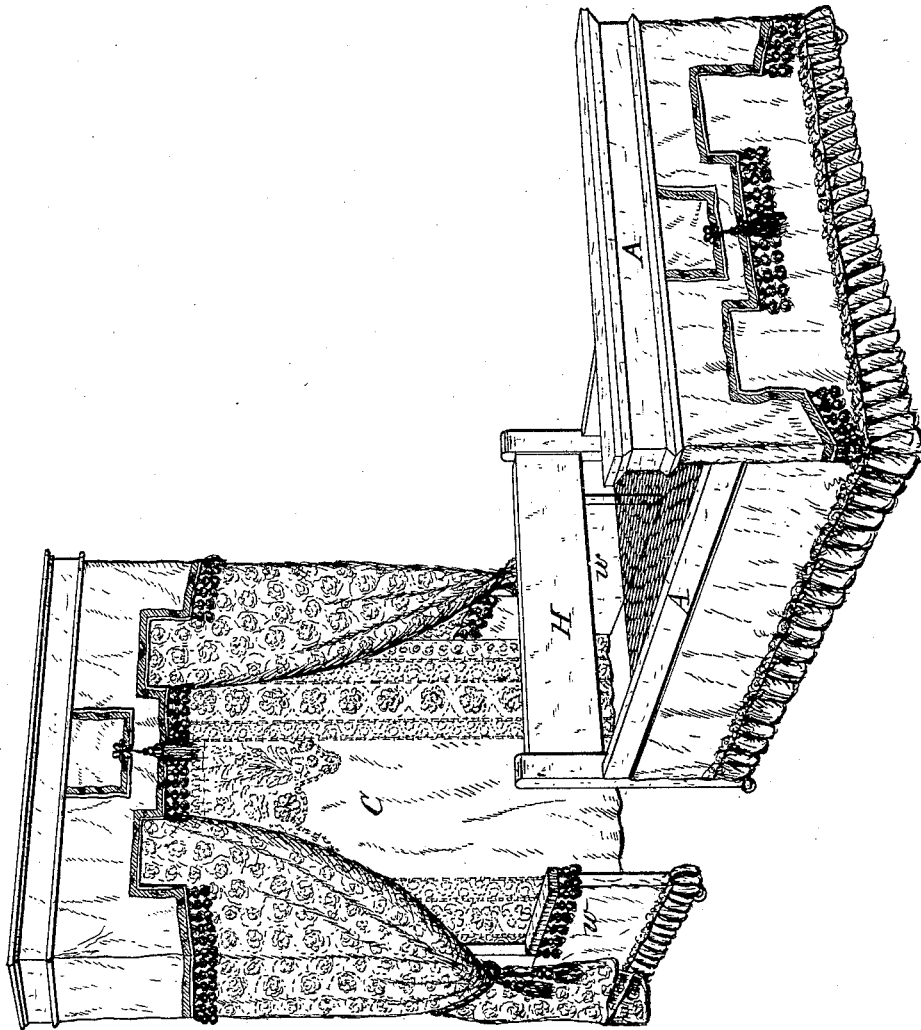
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## BEDSTEAD.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, GEORGE F. RICHARDSON, of Utica, in the county of Oneida and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Bedsteads, of which the following, taken in connection with the accompanying drawing, is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of this invention is to provide a bedstead which shall afford the shield and protection to the head of the occupant of the bed against stair-drafts, &c., as is obtained by a canopy or high head-board of a bed, and at the same time admit of ready access to the head of the bed for adjusting the pillows or assisting an invalid occupant; and the invention consists essentially in providing the bedstead with a canopy or supplemental head-board having an independent support and separable bodily one from the other, as hereinafter more fully described, and specifically set forth in the claims.

The annexed drawing represents a perspective view of my invention with the bedstead removed from its canopy for the purpose of affording the desired access to the head of the bed.

A represents a bedstead of any desired style, but with a low head-board, H, so as to allow a person to reach over the top thereof and obtain convenient access to the head of the bed for adjusting the pillows or assisting an invalid occupant.

C denotes a canopy, or, if desired, an ornamental high supplemental head-board, which is provided with an independent support, and may be either stationary or mounted on casters, and detachably connected with the bedstead by hasp or other suitable fastenings, so as to be moved with the same. It is somewhat

wider than the bedstead, and is provided at its base with wings *w w* a proper distance apart to receive between them the end of the bedstead, said wings serving to brace the canopy C.

The bedstead A is mounted on casters, (not necessary to be here shown,) and is thus adapted either to be moved close to the canopy and receive the effect of the ornamentation of the same, or to be removed therefrom, as shown in the drawing, and thus afford convenient access to the head of the bed.

Having described my invention, what I claim is—

1. A bedstead having a canopy or supplemental head-board, arranged separable bodily one from the other, and each provided with an independent support, substantially as set forth.

2. A movable bedstead provided with a low head-board, H, in combination with a canopy or vertically-extended supplemental head-board, C, provided with an independent support and detachable from the bedstead, as and for the purpose set forth.

3. The combination, with a movable bedstead, of the canopy C, having wings *w w*, adapted to receive between them the end of the bedstead, substantially as described and shown, for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name and affixed my seal, in the presence of two attesting witnesses, at Utica, in the county of Oneida, in the State of New York, this 30th day of May, 1882.

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