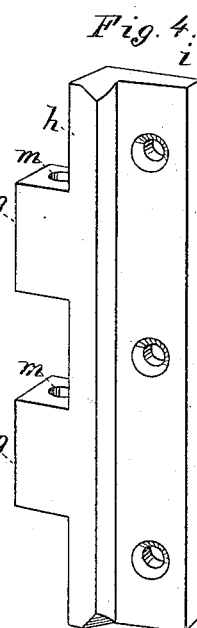
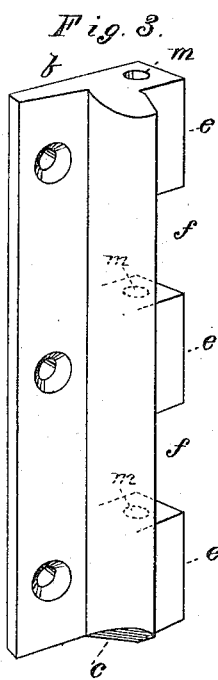
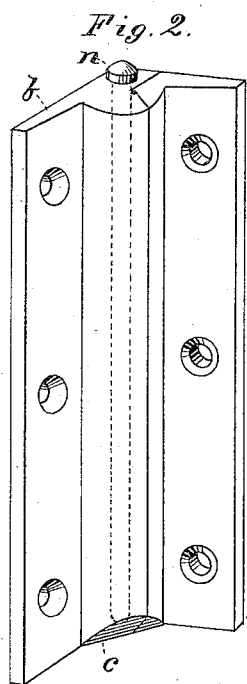
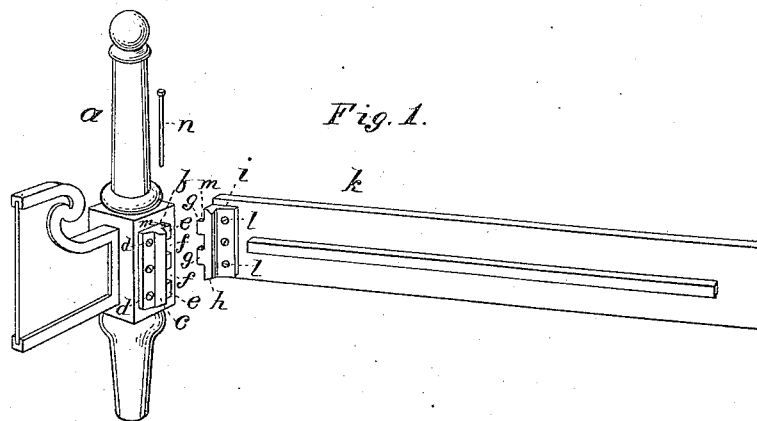


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN A. STEWART, a citizen of the United States, residing at Whitesborough, in the county of Grayson and State of Texas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bedstead-Fastenings; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters or figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a representation of this invention applied to the post and rail of a bedstead. Figs. 2, 3, and 4 are perspective views of the different parts.

This invention has relation to bedstead-fastenings; and it consists in the construction and novel arrangement of devices, as will be hereinafter fully described, and particularly pointed out in the claim appended.

Referring by letter to the accompanying drawings, *a* designates a bed-post provided with one section of my improved fastening. This section, *b*, is provided with a shouldered flange, *c*, on its front face, and is secured to face of the post by screws *d*, as shown. From the face of the shouldered flange *c* two or more studs, *e*, project laterally, spaces *f* being left between for the reception of laterally-projecting studs *g*, of which there may be one or more on the flange *h* of the section *i*, which is secured to the rail *k* by screws *l*, as shown. I preferably use three projections or studs *e* and two studs *g*; but two studs *e* and one stud *g* may be used, if desired, without de-

parting from the character of my invention. The studs *e* and *g* are provided with central vertical holes, *m*, which are aligned when the sections *b* and *i* are engaged at right angles by their studs, and a coupling-pin, *n*, is passed down through the aligned holes *m*, and locks the sections firmly together.

This fastening is easily put together and may be quickly taken apart by withdrawing the coupling-pin. It is cheap and simple, and will not come apart accidentally, so that there is no danger of the bedstead falling where this fastening is used. The flanged shoulder renders the joint perfectly tight, so there is no danger of lateral play, the parts fitting evenly and snugly.

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

The bedstead-fastening herein described, consisting of the locking-pin *n*, the sections *b* and *i*, which are respectively provided with the laterally-projected alternating studs *e* and *g*, having aligned vertical perforations to receive the said locking-pin, and their faces provided with the outer beveled flanges, *c* and *h*, at the base of the studs, extending the entire length of the sections, so that when the sections are connected together they will meet each other in angular form, whereby the strain on the locking-pin and the lateral studs is equalized, substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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