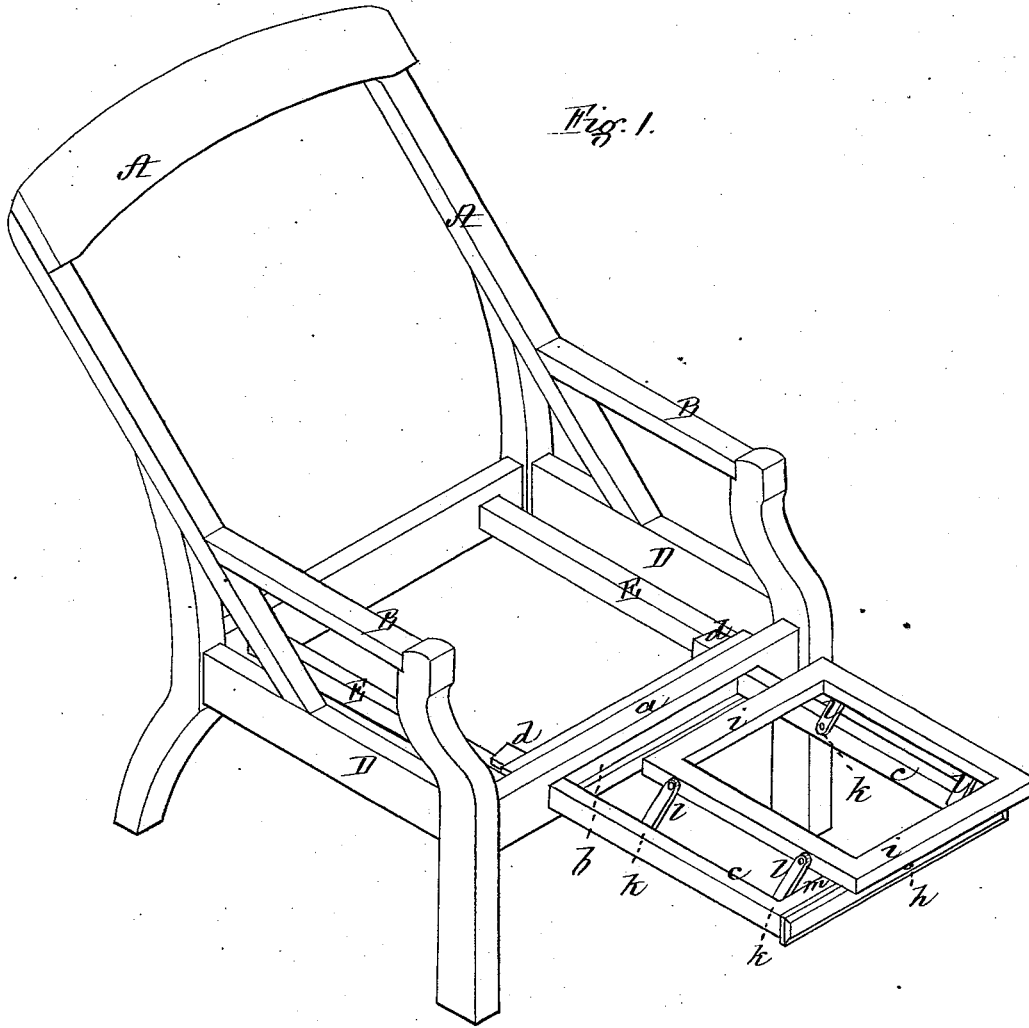


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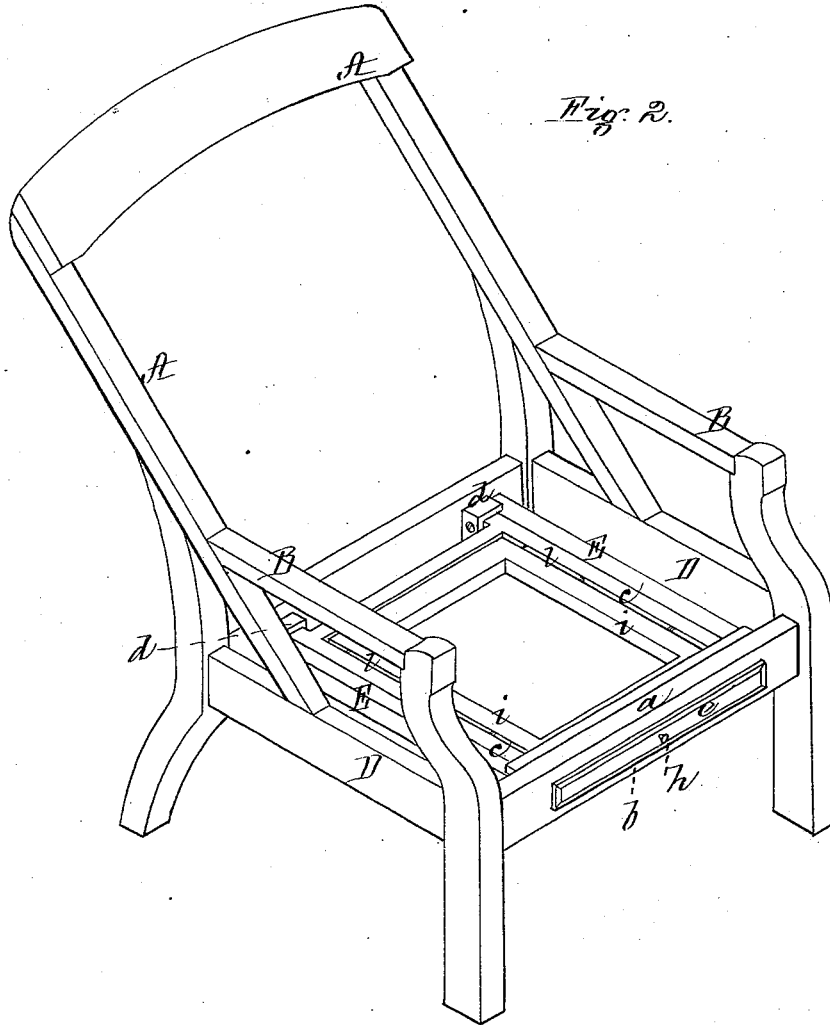
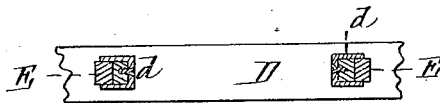


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IMPROVEMENT IN FOOT-RESTS FOR EASY-CHAIRS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PETER L. LAMBERT, of Boston, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented an Improvement in Easy-Chairs, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings making part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of an easy-chair, with my improvement applied thereto and raised in a position ready for use. Fig. 2 is a view of the same with my improvement swung down and slid under the seat of the chair; Fig. 3, detail in section.

My present invention has special reference to a leg-rest for easy-chairs, and consists in a horizontal rest pivoted by links to the frame, which slides under the seat of the chair, the said rest being readily swung up into an elevated horizontal position to support the legs throughout their length, from the thigh to the foot, and being also adjustable to accommodate the stature and suit the ease of the occupant.

To enable others skilled in the art to understand and use my invention, I will proceed to describe the manner in which I have carried it out.

In the said drawings, A is the back, B B the arm-rests, and D the frame, of the seat of an easy-chair. The front *a* of the frame of the seat is provided with a longitudinal slot, *b*, for the reception of a frame, *c*, the rear ends of which are provided with bent metallic clasps *d d*, which extend over and under a pair of parallel cross-pieces, E E, running between the front and back of the frame of the seat. To the front of the frame *c* is secured a strip, *e*, in imitation of a panel, and this strip is provided with a knob or handle, *h*, by which the frame *c* may be readily drawn out when desired, the metallic clasps *d d* serving to guide the frame *c* as it is moved out and in. *i* is also a frame of rectangular form to be uphol-

stered; this frame being pivoted at *k*, by four links, *l l*, to the frame *c*, so that when swung down into the position seen in Fig. 2 it may fit therein, and be slid with it under the seat of the chair. The frame *i*, when elevated into the position seen in Fig. 1, serves as a rest for the legs of the occupant of the chair, the entire leg from the thigh down to the foot being thereby supported in a natural and comfortable position.

The height of the rest *i* may be varied to suit the inclination or stature of the incumbent in the following manner: When a short person occupies the chair the rest *i*, after being raised to the desired height, is held in this position by sliding in the frame *c* until the rear links *l l* are brought against the top of the front of the frame of the seat, which thus supports it as required. When a person of considerable height is seated in the chair, the frame *c* is drawn out to its full length, and the leg-rest raised and simultaneously advanced till the front links *l l* come in contact with the inside of the front cross-bar *m* of the frame *c*, which thus supports it; the leg-rest in this position being drawn out to its greatest extent.

The above-described improvement may be readily adjusted and operated, and can be applied to any easy-chair at a trifling cost.

What I claim as my invention—

The combination, with the sliding frame *c*, adapted to be moved within a chair-seat, of the rest *i* and links *l l*, whereby the said rest may be raised and held in a horizontal position, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

Witness my hand this 29th day of July, 1874.

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