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IMPROVEMENT IN BED-LOUNGES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. L. GABBS, of San Francisco city and county, State of California, have invented a Bed-Lounge; and I do hereby declare the following description and accompanying drawings are sufficient to enable any person skilled in the art or science to which it most nearly appertains to make and use my said invention without further invention or experiment.

My invention relates to certain improvements in that class of furniture known as bed-lounges, and which are capable of being extended or made wide enough to answer as a bed.

It consists in the formation of adjustable pillows or head-rests at the foot of the lounge, while suitable foot-boards are constructed at the other end.

Boxes for the reception of articles are formed beneath the pillows, and by a novel manner of hinging the two parts of the lounge together I am enabled to thoroughly upholster the inside of the two parts, so that all nails will be concealed and the bed rendered comfortable.

Referring to the accompanying drawing for a more complete explanation of my invention, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my lounge closed, and Fig. 2 is a view of an opened frame.

A is the lounge-frame proper, and B is the extension portion. The two rails C and D, respectively, are made low along the central portion of the lounge, but at the ends they are made much deeper, as shown at *d*, and the hinges *e e* unite the two parts at these points.

This construction also enables me to form the boxes F F for the reception of articles, one of these boxes being formed in the part B, and the other (which may be made of con-

siderable depth and still be concealed by the leg at the foot) is formed in the part A. This box serves the important part of a brace to these two legs, and from its position it will be found almost impossible to break the legs.

In order to form the pillow or head-rest I make a frame, G, which is hinged to the inner side in each of the boxes, as shown at *i*, and when folded down these frames lie flat upon a ledge around the inside of the boxes, for which they also form covers. In order to raise the pillows and adjust them to any desired height or angle, I employ the standards or braces *h*, which are hinged to the frames G, so that their lower ends will turn back and rest in the bottoms of their respective boxes at any desired point, and by varying the angle the elevation of the head will be altered.

The front edge of the extension B is supported, when opened out, by two legs, J J. These legs are pivoted to the front, so as to be turned up and held parallel with the rail when the extension is to be folded up. I employ for this purpose a plate with notches upon it. A stout pin or bolt passes through the center of this plate, and also through a slot in the upper part of the leg J, a suitable head retaining the leg close against the plate.

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

The boxes F at the foot of the lounge, serving as braces, and having the frames or covers G, hinged at *i*, and provided with the adjusting-standards *h*, the covers serving as adjustable pillows, substantially as described.

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Witnesses:

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FIG. 1.

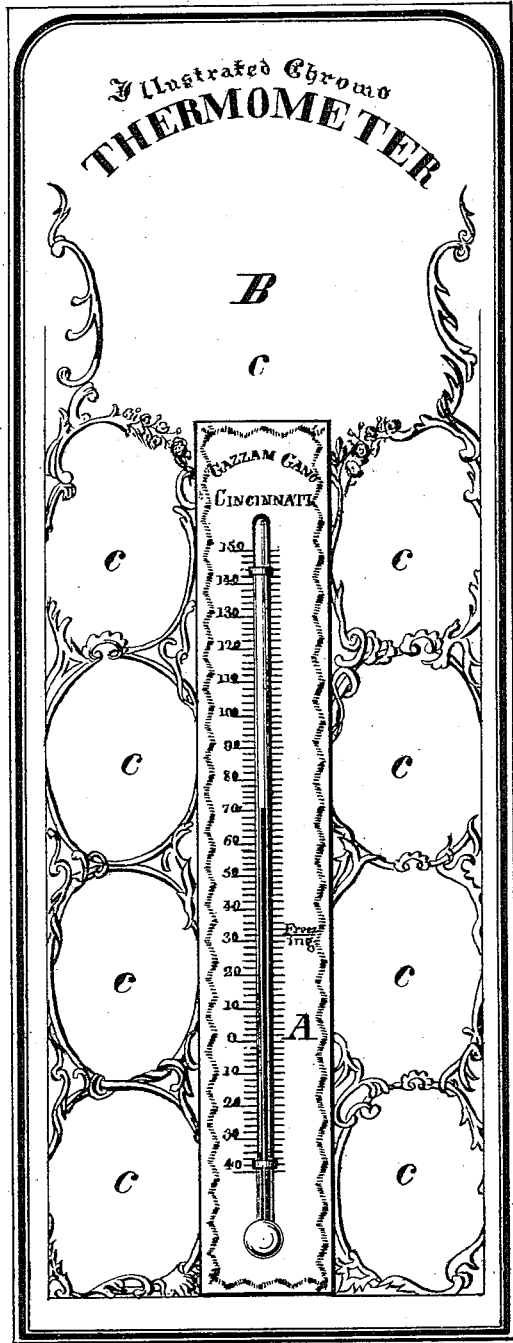


FIG. 2.



WITNESSES

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