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Ilkley Couch by Robinson  
Robinson And Sons

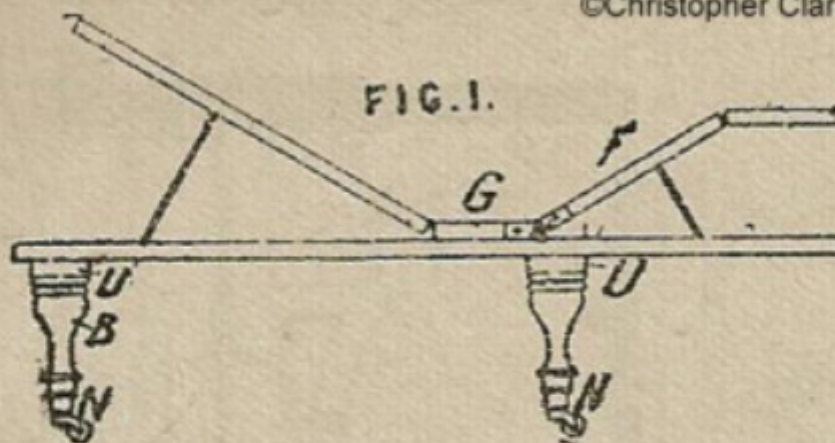
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ABRIDGMENT CLASS

961. Robinson, L. March 9.

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*Invalid and other couches.*—The adjustable framing is formed in hinged sections, the hinges connecting the parts G, F being each secured to the body of the sofa by a  $\perp$ -shaped bar connected to or in one with the hinge-pins. For removable legs, a rod carrying the castor N passes through the leg and screws into a nut fixed in a block U. For spring bottoms, spiral wire springs are secured by fixings or clasps to the framework, and are connected at the crossings by clasps or loops.

Abridged also in Class *Hinges &c.*

REF: 80305

Height: 39 cm (15.4")

Width: 192.5 cm (75.8")

Depth: 56 cm (22")

## Description

Robinsons of Ilkley were inventors of the adjustable Day Bed and this mahogany example bears their name, faintly stamped in black.

It is a very versatile piece of furniture that can be used as a relaxing couch or laid flat to make a bed. With removable feet and a folding frame, it would not only provide comfort to the soldier but was also practical for travel. The three caned sections each have a ratchet to adjust them independently, allowing for a variety of positions. There is removable bar at the foot to stop cushions sliding off and two turned knobs at the back of the head to hold a pillow. A number of other companies such as Carter, Leveson and the A&N CSL saw the attraction of such a couch and produced their own, closely following the Robinson's design. Circa 1880.

Size as a bed is given.