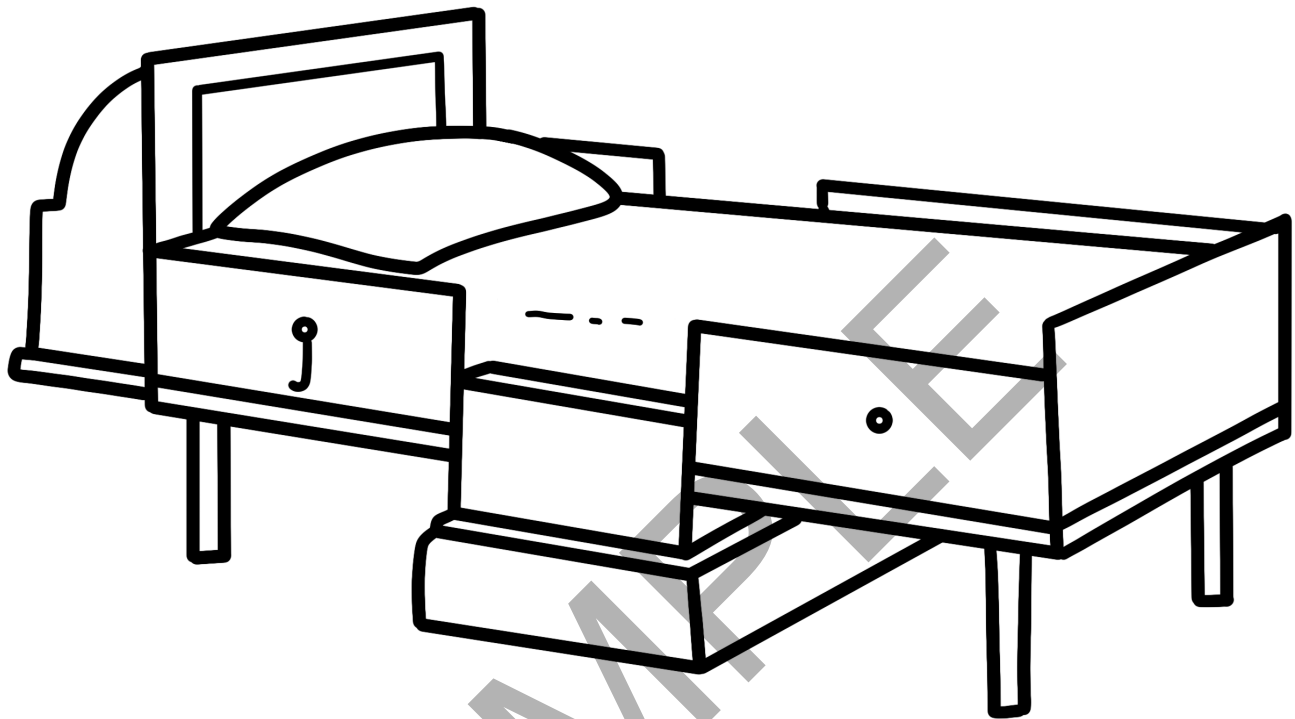


She wanted to

design a bed that

was balanced when

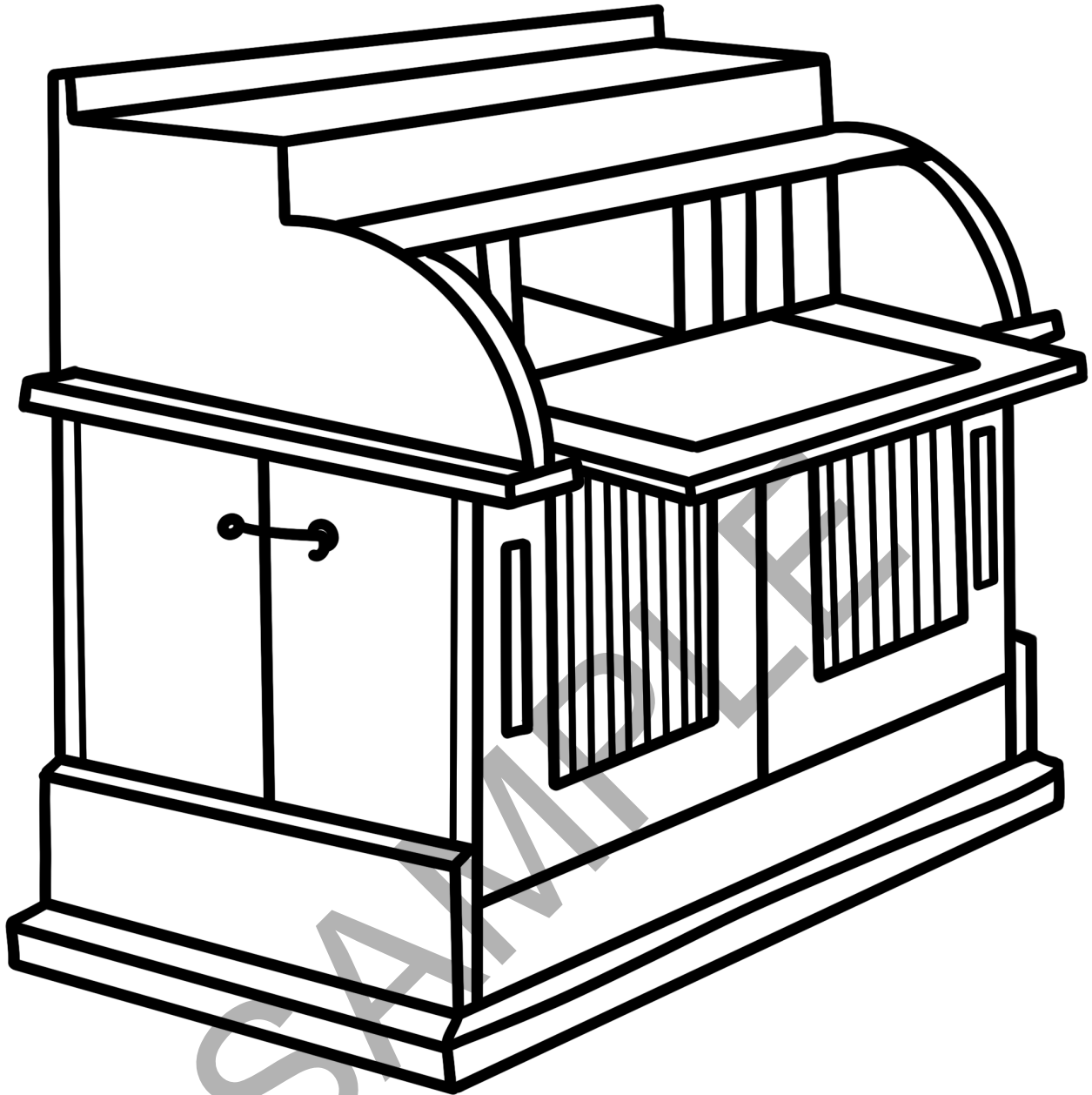
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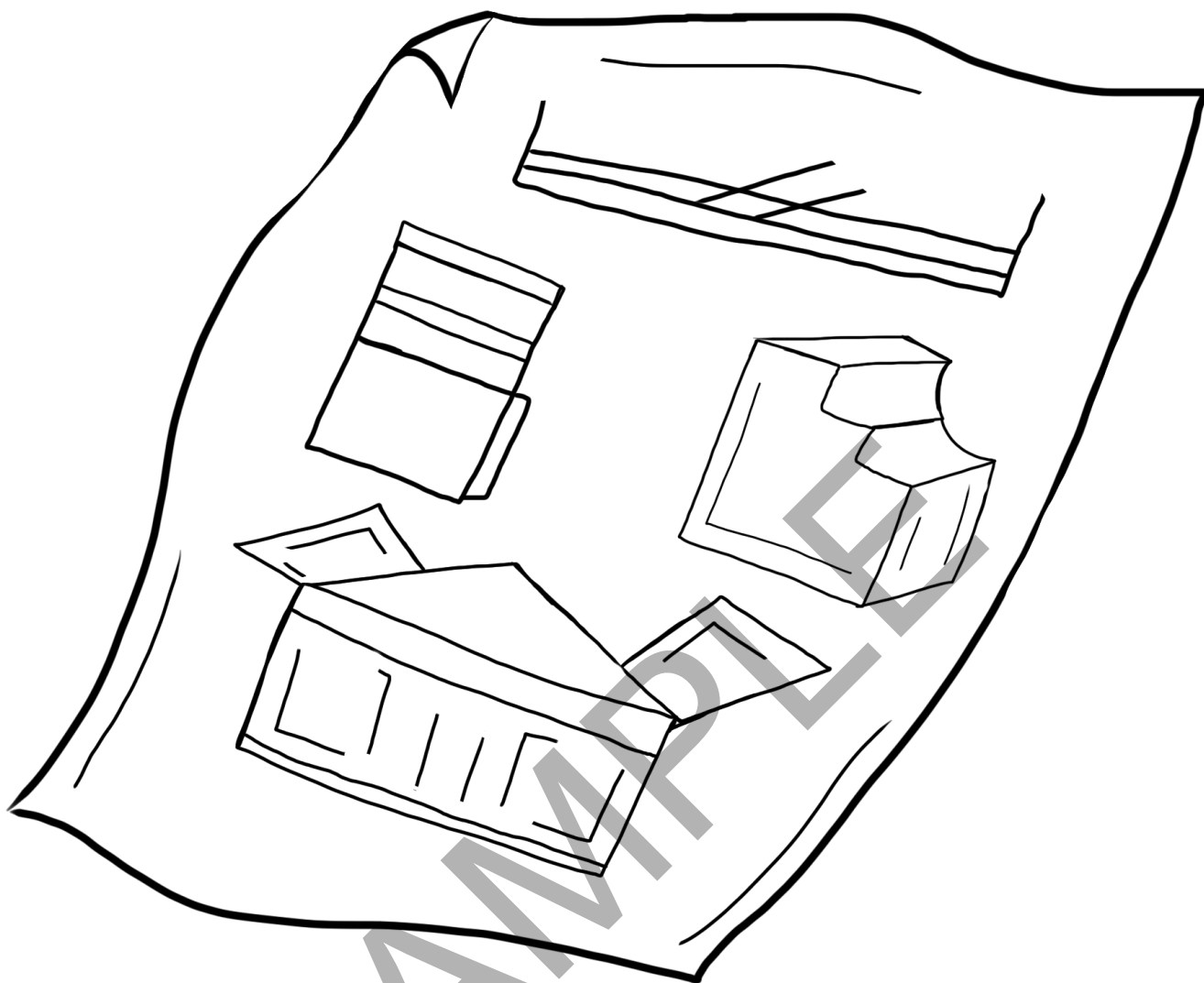
and had a sturdy
way to support a
person's back while
they were sleeping.



She didn't want the
bed to sag like a
hammock.



When folded, the
top of the bed
worked like a
roll-top desk.



She filed for her
patent in 1883, but
it took almost two
years to receive it.