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BICYCLE ATTACHMENT.

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Fig: 1.

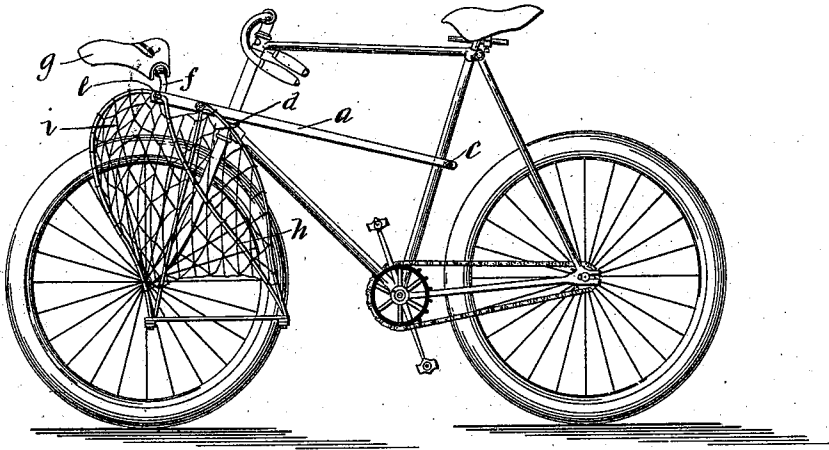


Fig: 2.

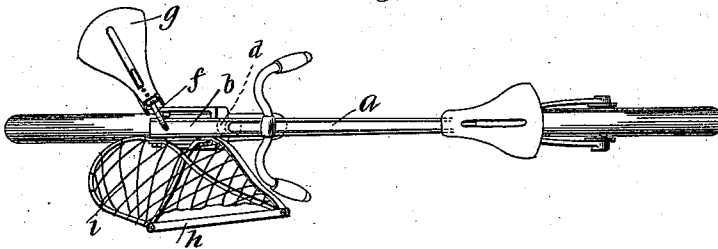
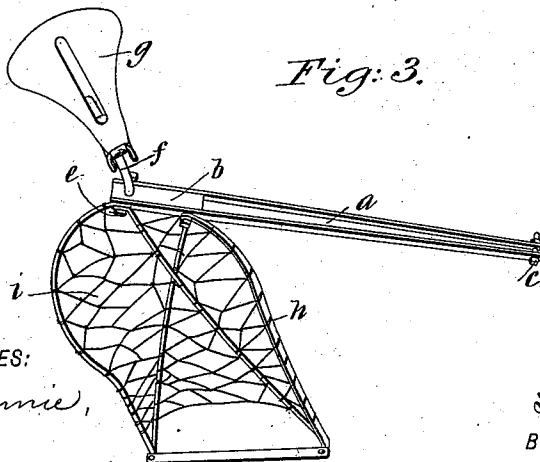


Fig: 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HARRY J. GETMAN, of Traverse City, in the county of Grand Traverse and State of Michigan, have invented a new and Improved Bicycle Attachment, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to an improved attachment for bicycles whereby persons in addition to the propelling rider may be seated and ride on the machine; and the main object is to provide a device which will facilitate the carrying of women and which will hold their skirts out of contact and entanglement with the wheels.

To this end the invention consists, essentially, in an elongated clip or frame adapted to be secured to the bicycle-frame and having a seat and skirt-support attached thereto and arranged so that a person may be seated on these parts, and when so arranged will be properly balanced, thereby preventing the breakage of any of the parts from undue torsional strain.

My invention will be more fully described hereinafter, and finally embodied in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a side elevation of a bicycle to which my improvements are shown as applied. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the same. Fig. 3 is a detail perspective view of the invention, showing it detached from the bicycle.

My improved attachment consists of an elongated clip-frame composed of two parallel rods *a*, having their front ends rigidly joined by an elongated block *b*, which is firmly fastened between them by bolting or otherwise and provided at their rear ends with a bolt *c*, which further assists in holding the two parts in rigid connection. The bars or rods *a* are arranged one on each side of the vertical parts of the bicycle-frame and securely fastened thereon by means of the bolt *c*, the front portions of the bars just rearward of the block *b* being rested on the collar *d* of the bicycle-frame, as Fig. 1 shows.

Seated in the block *b* and held securely in

place by a bolt *e* is the rod *f*, which rises above the block and which has the seat *g*, mounted upon its transversely-bent upper portion. This seat *g*, as well as the bent upper end of the rod *f*, is extended outwardly to the right side of the machine and forwardly at an angle of about forty-five degrees, as best shown by Fig. 2.

Bolted rigidly to the side of the clip-frame, which is opposite the side over which the seat *g* projects, is the skirt or leg support *h*, which is composed of a framework of metallic rods, over which the wire gauze or netting is spread and to which such gauze or netting is secured. This support *h* is extended rearward and outwardly from the left-hand side of the machine in approximate alignment with the seat *g*, and curves downwardly from the clip-frame, so as to conveniently support the legs of the person rested on seat *g* and prevent the skirts of such person from contact with the wheel of the bicycle.

It will be seen that by means of this attachment persons may be readily carried on the bicycle, and that their seat will be easy and comfortable, at the same time safe to both riders. It will be further obvious that owing to the equal balance of the additional rider's weight no torsional strain will be exerted on the parts, and hence the liability of breaking or bending them is reduced to the minimum.

It will be observed that the block *b* may be dispensed with, and the clip-frame *a*, formed by bending an integral bar into the shape of an elongated U and arranging it so that the bent portion will embrace the frame just above the collar *d*.

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

1. A bicycle attachment, consisting of two clip bars provided with means whereby they may be bolted one at each side of the bicycle frame, a rod secured to the front of the clip bars and rising therefrom, a seat secured to the bar and extended transversely, and a skirt and leg support secured to the clip-bars and projecting transversely and oppositely from the seat, substantially as described.

2. A bicycle attachment consisting of two clip bars provided with means whereby they

may be secured one at each side of the bicycle frame, a seat projected transversely from the front end of the clip bars, and a skirt and leg support projected transversely from the same end of the bars and oppositely to the seat, substantially as described.

3. A bicycle attachment, consisting of two clip bars provided with means whereby they may be bolted one on each side of the bicycle frame, a block secured between the front ends of the bars, a rod rising from said block, a seat secured to the rod and extended transversely, and a skirt and leg support secured to one rod and projecting transversely op-

positely from the seat, substantially as described. 15

4. A bicycle attachment, consisting of a clip bar capable of being secured longitudinally with the bicycle frame, a seat secured to the clip bar and projecting transversely therefrom, and a skirt and leg support also secured to the bar and projecting transversely and oppositely from the seat, substantially as described. 20

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