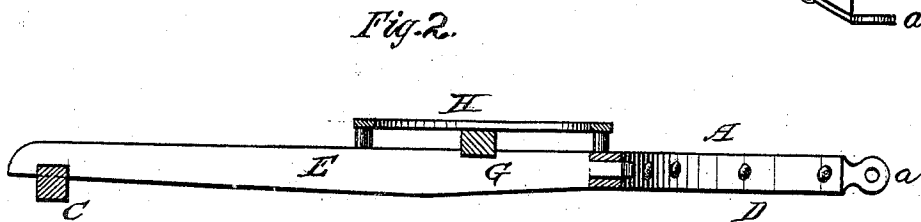
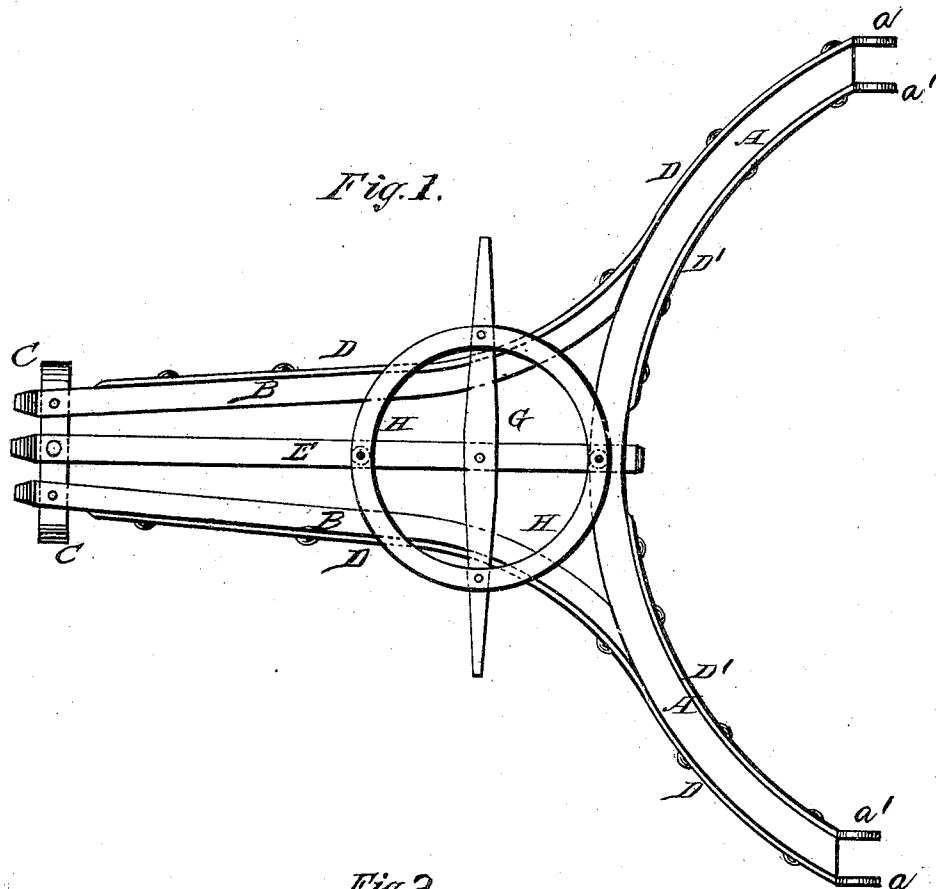


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 PLATFORM WAGON TRESTLE.

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IMPROVEMENT IN PLATFORM WAGON TRESTLES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LAUREN M. FITCH, of Leonardsville, in the county of Madison and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Platform Wagon Trestle; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form part of this specification.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction and arrangement of a wagon-trestle, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view of my improved wagon-trestle. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section of the same.

A represents a wood strip bent in nearly semi-circular form, and having two other bent wooden strips, B B, secured to its rear or convex side, the outer ends of said wood strips B being connected by a cross-bar, C.

On the sides of the wooden strips A B are fastened iron strips D D', as shown, by means

of bolts. These irons, being turned up edge-wise, give great strength, and at the same time give lightness of appearance.

The irons D extend beyond the ends of the strip A, and form each one section of the clevis *a*, while the irons D' also extend beyond said ends and form the other half, *a'*, or section of the clevis.

E is a bar connecting the cross-bar C and center of the bent strips A, between the strips B B. G is the bed-piece, secured on top of the trestle, and on the same is the circle H.

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

The combination of the strips A and B B, the irons D D, secured upon the strips B B, and extended beyond the same, as shown at *a*, and the irons D' D', secured to the strip A, and extended beyond the ends of the same, as shown at *a'*, to form clevises for connecting the trestle, all as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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