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Fig. 1.

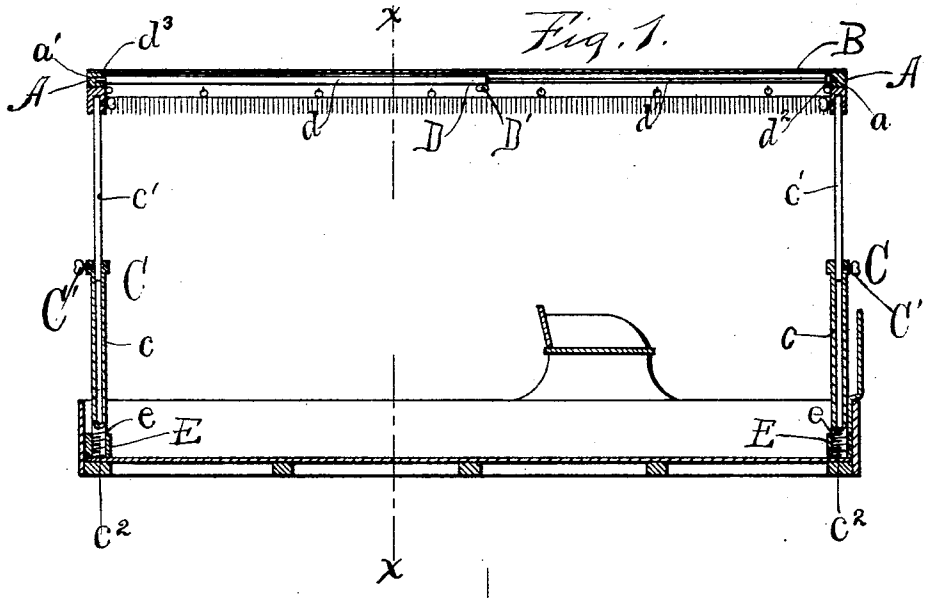


Fig. 2.

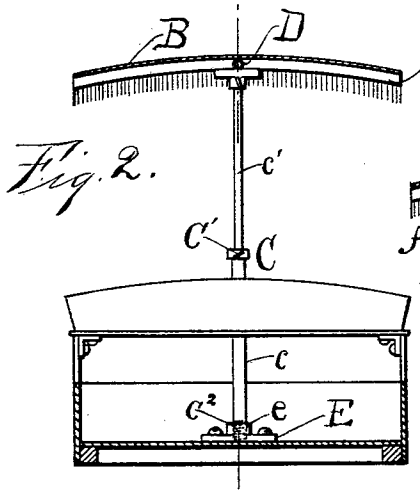


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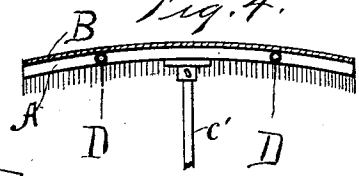
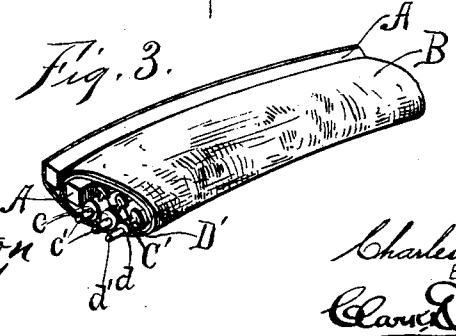


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES TAYLOR JEWETT, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of New York city, county of New York, and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Portable Vehicle-Covers, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part thereof, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

This invention relates to improvements in portable vehicle-covers, and the object thereof is to supply an article of this character adapted for attachment to any open vehicle for the purpose of covering or shading the same when desired. The device is so constructed that it can be folded to take up but small space in the vehicle when not in use, and it is durable, light in weight, and inexpensive.

The invention will be hereinafter fully described, and specifically set forth in the annexed claims.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a longitudinal section of my improved device, showing the same in operative position in connection with a carriage-body. Fig. 2 is a cross-sectional elevation taken on the line $x\ x$ of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the device in its folded position, and Fig. 4 is a cross-sectional elevation illustrating a slight structural modification.

In the practice of my invention the frame of the awning or cover comprises oppositely-located segmental sections A, and to these sections is attached a cover B, composed, preferably, of fabric of a waterproof nature and of sufficient pliability to be readily folded. Supporting this said framework and cover are two end uprights C, comprising, respectively, a tube c and a sliding rod c', the said rod adapted to telescope within the tube for the purpose of folding the device.

The cover is stretched into shape by means of a centrally-located telescopic brace D, which comprises a tube d and a sliding rod d'. The outer end of the rod d' engages with a socket a in the front section A of the framework, and a collar d^2 is secured near the end of the rod for engagement with the inner face of the said section A. The outer end of the tube d has a pin d^3 projected therefrom, which engages with a socket a' in the rear section A of the framework, and the telescopical rod is maintained in an extended position by means of a thumb-screw D', which is pivoted to the tube d and bears upon the rod d'. When the telescopical brace is disconnected from the frame for the purpose of folding the same, the rod d' slides within the tube d for the purpose of contracting the brace in width, whereby it will take up but little room in the vehicle.

As a means for supporting the device oppositely-located base-plates E are secured to the respective ends of the carriage-body upon the floor thereof. These plates have threaded sockets e therein, which engage with threaded ends c^2 of the telescopical uprights C. These said uprights are maintained in their extended position by means of thumb-screws C', which pass through the upper ends of the tubes c and engage with sliding rods c'.

In Fig. 4 of the drawings I have shown two telescopical longitudinal braces D. This construction is applicable to carriage-awnings of large size, but for small awnings one brace is found to be sufficient.

In the use of the device it is obvious that it can be folded, as illustrated in Fig. 3 of the drawings, and placed under the seat of a carriage and out of the way, and when it is desired to use the awning it is simply necessary to screw the upright c into the sockets e and connect the framework and the awning to the rod c', as illustrated in Figs. 1 and 2 of the drawings.

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

1. A portable carriage awning or cover, comprising a folding roof of pliable material and a framework composed of end sections secured to said roof and centrally-located uprights supporting said framework, said uprights adapted for engagement with sockets secured to the carriage-body, and means for bracing the said framework, substantially as shown and described.

2. As a portable carriage-awning, the combination of a roof or covering secured upon two segmental end sections, a telescopical

brace extended centrally and longitudinally between said sections and connected thereto, and telescopical uprights supporting the end sections, said uprights adapted for engagement with sockets centrally secured to a carriage-body, substantially as shown and described.

3. As an awning for vehicles, the combination of a flexible cover and two end sections or frames secured thereto, and telescopical braces extended longitudinally between said sections, the braces comprising tubes and rods, and means for maintaining them in extended position, substantially, and centrally-located uprights engaging with the end sections, said uprights comprising respectively a tube and a rod, and means for maintaining the said parts in extended position, said tubes having threads on their lower ends for engagement with sockets adapted to be secured to the body of the vehicle, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name, in presence of two witnesses, this 19th day of July, 1897.

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