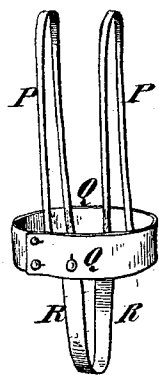
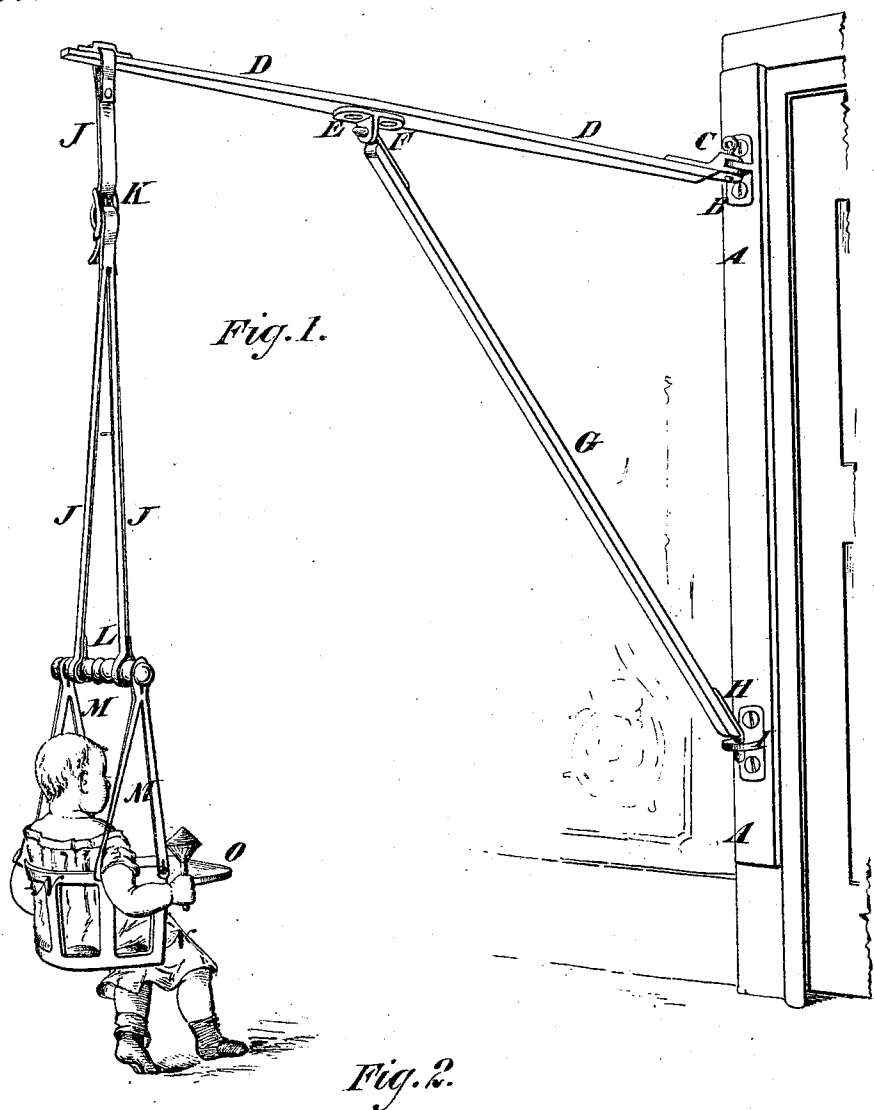


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IMPROVEMENT IN BABY-TENDERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS SHAW, of Morris, in the county of Grundy and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Baby-Tenders, of which the following is a specification:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved device, illustrating its use. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the walking-jacket.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The object of this invention is to hold a baby and allow him to swing, jump, and walk without danger of falling, and which shall be simple in construction and convenient and safe in use.

The invention consists in the combination of the upright bar, with its lugs, the spring, with its forked strap and lug, the brace, with its fingers or points, the adjustable forked strap, and the round or cross-bar, with each other, to adapt the device to receive a child's seat or jacket.

A is an upright bar, which is designed to be attached to a door or window-casing, or to the wall of a room. To the bar A, at or near its upper end, is secured a perforated lug, B, to receive the perforated forked end of a strap or casing, C, which is pivoted to said lug B by a pin. The strap C is attached to the end of a spring, D, which is tapered from the middle toward each end, so as to act as a double spring. To the under side of the middle part of the spring D is attached a perforated lug, E, to receive the finger or point F, formed upon or attached to the upper end of the brace-bar G, which has a similar finger or point, H, formed upon or attached to its lower end, to enter the perforation of a lug, I, attached to the lower part of the bar A. To the outer end of the spring D is secured the upper end of a strap, J, which is made in two parts, connected by a buckle, K, so that its length may

be conveniently adjusted, as circumstances may require. The lower part of the strap J is forked, and to the ends of its branches is attached a round or cross-bar, L, to the ends of which are attached the ends of a pair of forked straps, M. The ends of the branches of the straps M are attached to a chair or seat, N, to the forward parts of the arms of which is attached a table, O, to receive the child's playthings, and also to keep him in his seat.

The strap J should be of such a length that the child's feet may rest upon the floor, so that he may jump or swing himself about as he may wish.

Where the child is to be allowed to walk, the chair N and straps M are detached from the round L, and the loops P of the jacket are passed over the ends of said round L. The ends of the loops P are secured to a band, Q, which is buttoned or buckled around the child's waist. To the rear part of the band Q is attached the end of a strap, R, which is passed between the child's legs, and its other end is buttoned or buckled to the forward part of the said band Q, so that the child can walk about through the swing of the spring D without the possibility of falling and hurting himself.

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

The combination of the upright bar A, with its lugs B I, the spring D, with its forked strap C and lug E, the brace G, with its points or fingers F H, the adjustable forked strap J, and the round L, with each other, to adapt the device to receive a child's seat or jacket, substantially as herein shown and described.

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