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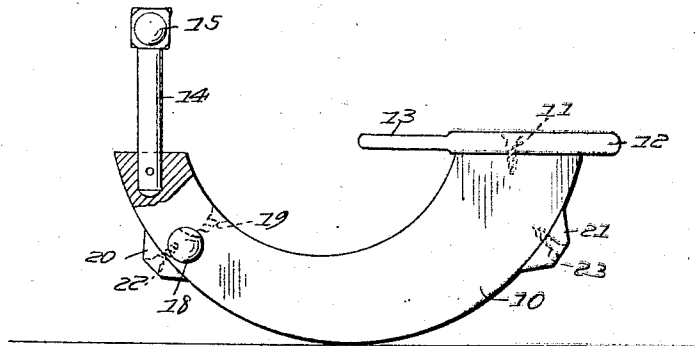


Fig. 1.

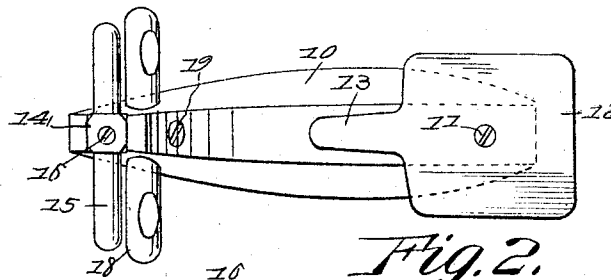


Fig. 2.

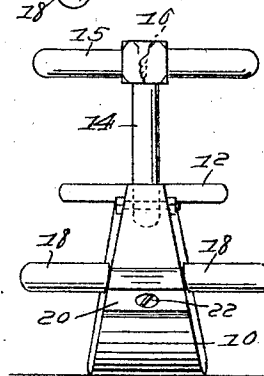


Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that CHARLES H. GUISCHARD, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Richmond Hill, in the county of Queens and State of New York, has invented new and useful Improvements in Kiddie Boats, of which the following is a specification.

The object of the invention is to provide a simple, inexpensive and entertaining toy of the vehicle type for the amusement and exercise of infants wherein the sensation of progress may be realized without resort to the use of wheels or like means of transportation and without the risks involved in the ordinary forms of rocking toys; and with this object in view the invention consists in a construction and combination of parts of which a preferred embodiment is shown in the accompanying drawings, wherein:—

Figure 1 is a side view partly broken away, and

Figure 2 is a plan view of a toy embodying the invention.

Figure 3 is a front view of the same.

The device consists of a segmental or crescent shape rocker 10 which is tapered in width and thickness from its rear end toward its front end and is cross-sectionally tapered or wedged shaped from its base or outer periphery toward its inner periphery. Attached to the larger or rear end of the rocker as for example by means of a screw 11 is a seat 12 preferably having a forwardly directed pommel 13 while attached to the reduced front end of the rocker is an upright standard 14 carrying a handle bar 15, the handle bar being extended through an opening in the upper end of the standard and secured by suitable screws 16, and the standard being fitted in a socket in the front end of the rocker and secured by means of a bolt.

Attached to the rocker near the front end

thereof is a foot bar 18 preferably extending through a transverse opening in the rocker and secured by a retaining screw 19, the projecting ends of said bar forming foot rests for the occupant of the seat.

Also carried by the base or bearing face of the rocker near its front and rear ends are the yielding cushions or bumpers 20 and 21, made of rubber or like material and secured in place by screws 22 and 23. These bumpers serve as checks to limit the swinging or rocking movement of the device and in the operation thereof the contact of the forward bumper with the floor or other supporting surface, serves to cause a step by step forward progress of the rocker on said surface, which is sufficient to afford an attraction to the operator which is in excess of that which would be afforded merely by the rocking or oscillatory movement of the toy. The location of the forward bumper adjacent to the foot rest serves to enable the operator of the device to control to some extent this forward progress and increase or diminish the same as may be preferred by varying the extent to which the weight is thrown upon said foot rests.

Having described the invention, what is claimed as new and useful is:—

A toy having a crescent-shaped rocker provided at its extremities respectively with a handle bar and a seat, foot rests extending laterally from the rocker adjacent its front end, and front and rear yielding bumpers projecting downwardly from the under or bearing face of the rocker adjacent the front and rear ends, the front bumper being disposed adjacent the foot rests whereby pressure on said bumper may be regulated to effect a step by step forward progress of the rocker over its supporting surface.

In testimony whereof he affixes his signature.

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