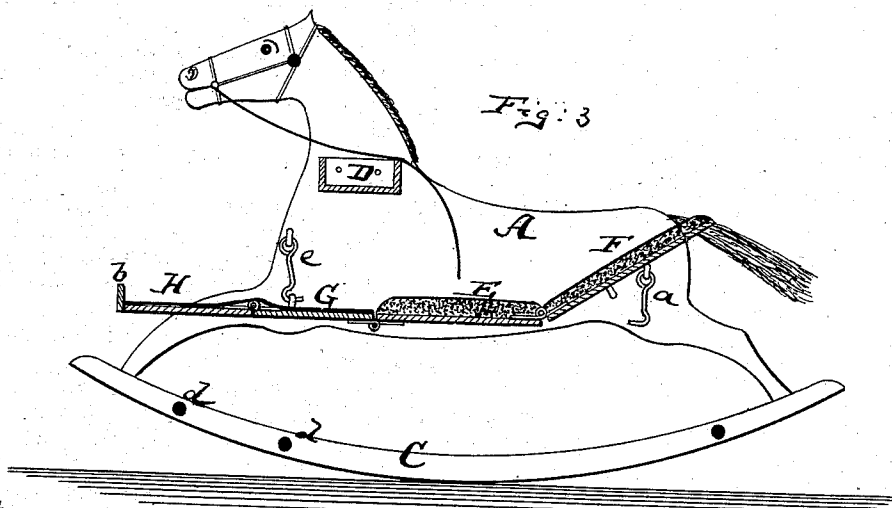
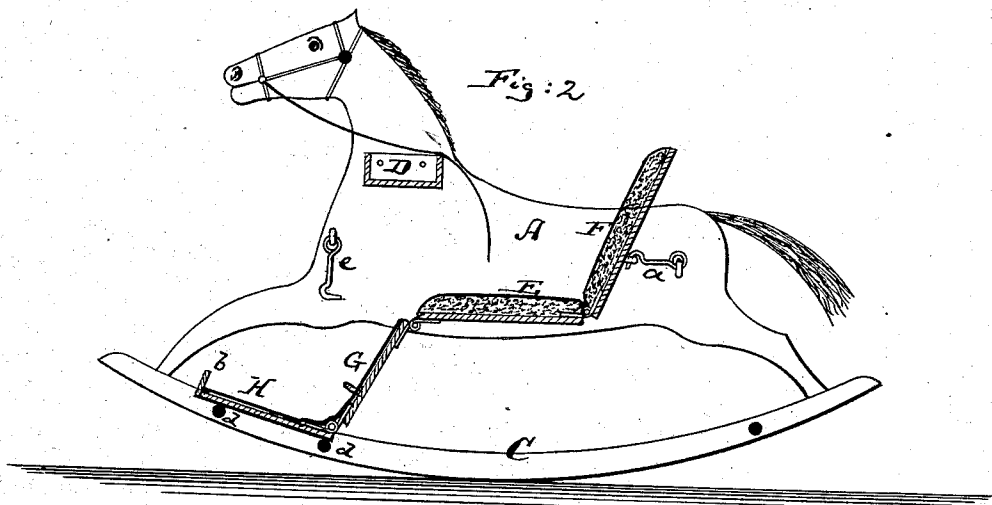
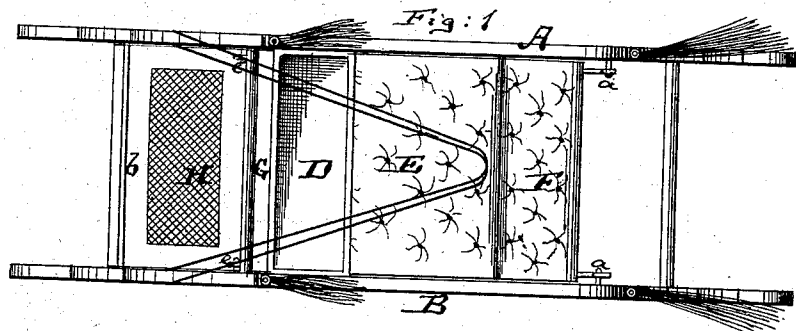


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## ROCKING HORSE AND CRADLE.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JESSE A. CRANDALL, of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented an Improved Rocking Horse and Cradle, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this invention is to produce a rocking-horse which can be readily converted into a cradle; and the invention consists principally in combining with a stationary toy-box, which is fixed between the side walls or frames of a rocking-horse, and with a fixed seat, likewise secured between said frames, a swinging back, which, when turned up, will, with the assistance of the fixed toy-box, hold the child in place and prevent it falling out, and when swung back will allow the child to be readily taken out or placed upon the seat.

The invention likewise consists in combining with the aforesaid parts a swinging foot-board and supports therefor, so that when the foot-board is carried up and the back let down a bed or cradle rocking lengthwise will be produced.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a plan or top view of my improved rocking-horse, Figs. 2 and 3 are vertical longitudinal central sections of the same, showing the parts in different positions.

The letters A B in the drawings represent two frames, mounted upon rockers C and shaped in imitation of horses, or made of any other suitable form that may strike the fancy of the maker. Between these two frames is rigidly fixed, so as not to be movable, a toy-box, D, and somewhat below the same, and slightly back of it, a seat, E. To the back of the seat is hinged the back F, which is held up in the position shown in Fig. 2 by hooks and eyes *a*, or by spring-catches, or otherwise. To the front of the seat E is hinged a board, G, to which in turn is hinged a foot-board, H, having an upwardly-projecting lip, *b*. This foot-board H rests on one or more cross-bars, *d*, that extend from one rocker C to the other.

In the position shown in Fig. 2 the structure is ready for use as a rocking-horse, the child being seated on the seat E, leaning against the back F, and holding its feet on the foot-board

H. The rigid toy-box D holds the child in place and prevents it from falling out. When the child is to be taken out the hinged back F is swung down, as indicated in Fig. 3, thereby producing a large opening, through which the child can be readily lifted out and also brought back to the seat. The toy-box, remaining fixed, may continue to serve as a receptacle for the toys when the child is being taken out.

When this structure is to be converted into a cradle the back F is swung down, as in Fig. 3, being in that position rested upon the screw-eyes of the hooks *a*, or upon other suitable supports, and the board G and foot-board H are then swung up into linesubstantially with the seat E, and supported in this position by suitable hooks and eyes, *e*, or other fasteners. In this position the article constitutes a sort of bed or cradle, rocking lengthwise, which I understand to be the most sensible direction for rocking a child to sleep.

One particular advantage of this contrivance is that people of limited means will be put in possession of a very acceptable toy, and at the same time, also, of a cradle or bed without either occupying any desirable space while the other is in use.

I do not claim a movable toy-box between profile frames, as my invention is limited to the use of a fixed toy-box.

I claim—

1. The combination of the rocking frames A B with the fixed seat E, rigidly-secured toy-box D, and swinging back F, all arranged for operation substantially as described.

2. The combination of the rocking frames A B with the fixed seat E, hinged back F, hinged board G, foot-board H, and cross-bars *d d*, that are secured in the rockers of the frames, substantially as specified.

3. The combination of the frames A B with the fixed toy-box D, fixed seat E, hinged back F, hinged board G, hinged foot-board H, fasteners *a e*, and supports *d* for the foot-board, substantially as and for the purpose described.

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