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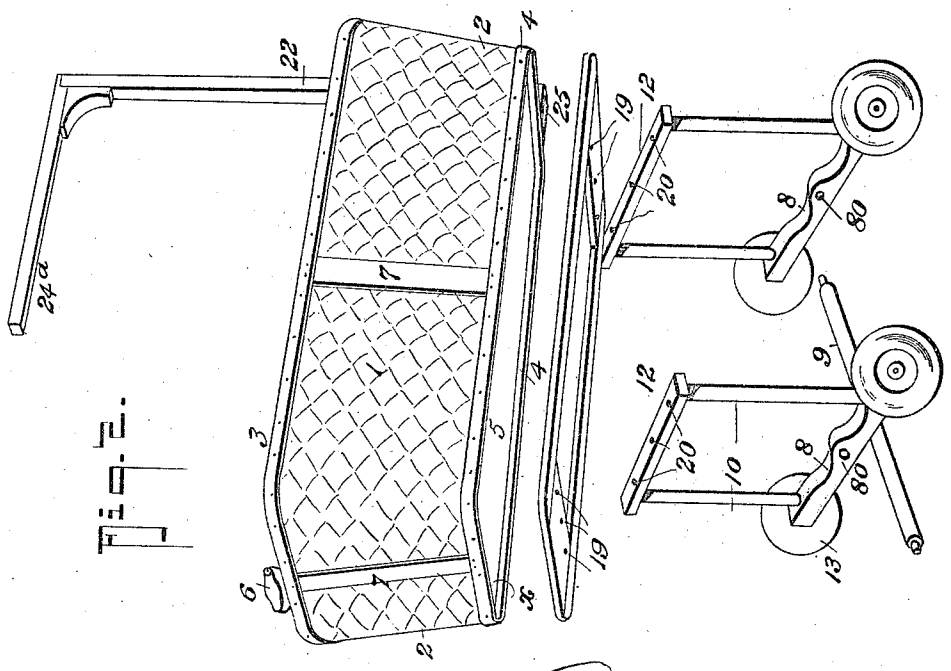


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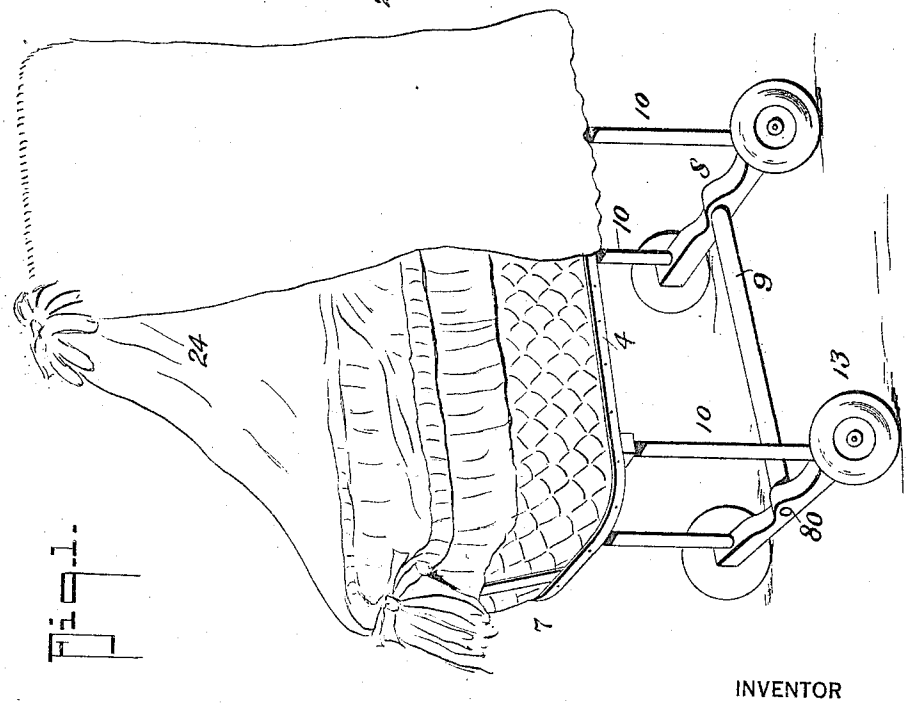


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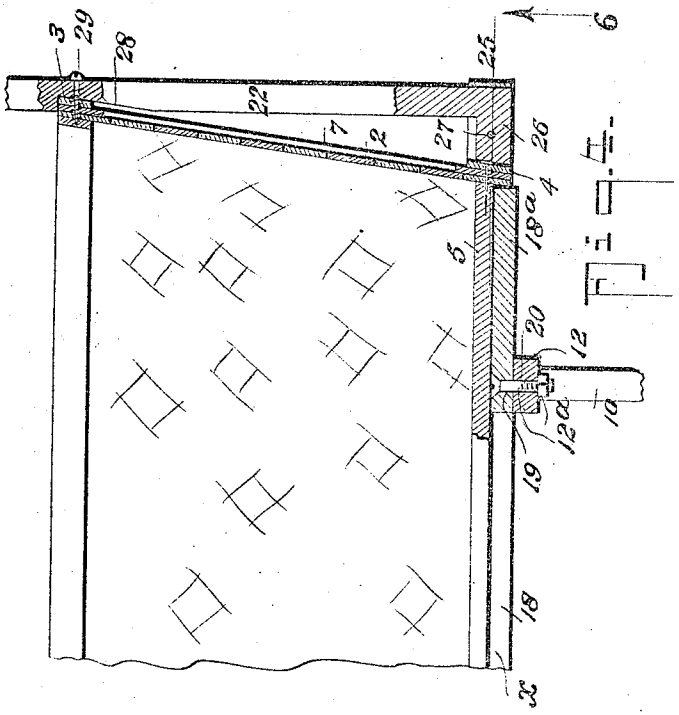


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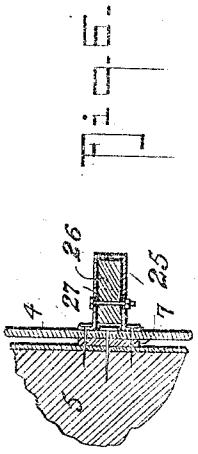


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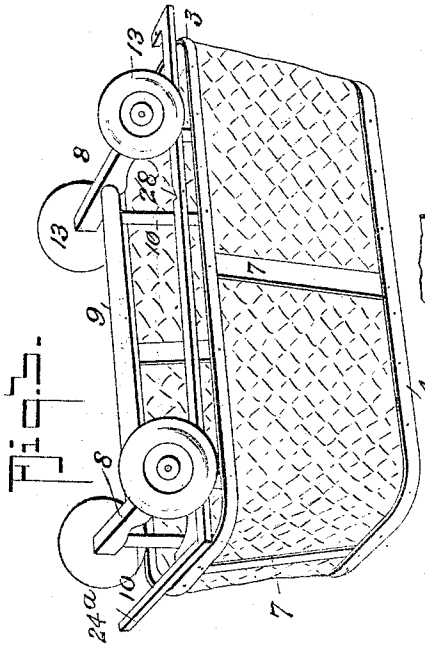


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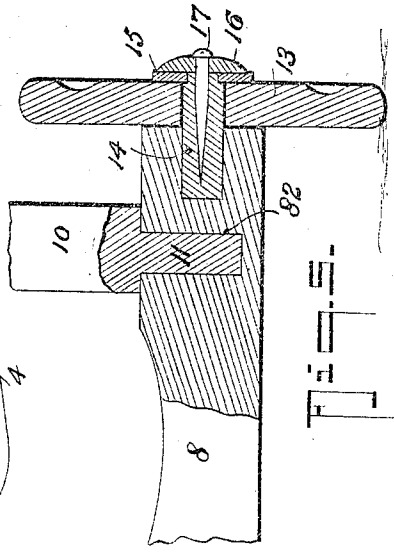


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL M. MOSES, a citizen of the United States, residing at Portland, in the county of Multnomah and State of Oregon, have invented a new and Improved Babies' Furniture, of which the following is a specification.

My present application, which has reference to a new and improved knock-down framing adapted for supporting attachments, primarily has for its purpose to produce an improved construction and arrangement of parts that constitute the said attachment, particularly adapted to combine with and convert the conventional form of clothes basket into a bassinet or first baby bed.

Another object of my present invention is to provide an improved coöperating arrangement of parts capable of being quickly knocked down to be folded within the bassinet, to facilitate and cheapen the cost of packing and shipping the article, either in single lots from the retailer to the buyer, or in bulk from the manufacturer to the retailer.

A still further purpose of my invention is to provide an improved arrangement of cooperating parts that may be readily assembled by any one and which may be draped to produce a neat and ornamental baby's basinet and in which the basket sustaining parts, together with the drapery supporting means, when knocked down, may be readily packed within and upon the basket.

With other objects in view, my invention embodies the peculiar construction and novel arrangement of parts to be first fully explained, then be specifically pointed out in the appended claims and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my invention, the parts being assembled as a bassinet completed and draped.

Fig. 2 is a similar view, the basket and the coöperating basket-supporting members being shown separated and the drapery or canopy support attached to the basket.

Fig. 3 shows the parts that constitute my invention as assembled for shipping.

Fig. 4 is a vertical section of one end of the basket and the corresponding upper end of the supporting member, the construction of and the manner of attaching the drapery being also indicated in this view.

Fig. 5 is a detail section of one of the dowel pin connections that join the roller wheels and their respective axle ends.

Fig. 6 is a horizontal section taken substantially on the line 6—6 of Fig. 4.

When my invention is particularly adapted to produce a bassinet or baby bed, the container or body may be the conventional type of a No. 4 wicker clothes basket which, as is clearly shown in the drawings, has tapered sides and ends 1 and 2, horizontal strengthening bands 3 and 4 along the upper and lower edges, with the lower band projecting all around and below the bottom board 5 of the basket as is best shown in Figs. 2 and 4.

The opposite ends of the basket may also have the usual bail handles 6—6 and along the sides and ends thereof the basket body has the usual reinforcing pieces 7—7.

My improved attachments, when particularly designed for being combined with the conventional basket body just explained, when assembled, form a stand or supporting frame in which the basket is mounted and the said frame consists of two axles 8—8, each of which has a central bore 80 for receiving the ends of a reach rod 9. Each axle 8 is also provided with a pair of vertical bores 82—82 that extend down from the top face thereof and are provided for receiving the dowel ends 11—11 of standards or rods 10—10 whose other ends are glued or otherwise secured to cross heads or pieces 12—12.

Upon each of the ends of the axles 8 is mounted a roller or wheel 13 and they are preferably secured in the manner best shown in Fig. 5, which illustrates an axle end bored to receive a $\frac{5}{8}$ inch hard wool dowel 14, the latter being inserted into the axle about $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches and glued or otherwise secured thereto.

The wheel 13 is axially apertured to receive the projected end of the dowel 14 and is held upon its mount by a metal washer 15 and a button 16 which, and the washer, is held in place by a wood screw 17 that takes through the button 15 and enters the dowel 14, as is clearly shown in Fig. 5.

18 designates a rectangular frame composed of two short end boards 18^a and two opposite side boards that are glued at their opposite ends to the end boards, and the said frame is of such length and width so as to snugly fit up into the bottom recess x and in engagement with the pendently projected

reinforcing rim member 4, when the basket is placed upon the supporting frame, as is clearly shown in Fig. 4.

To provide the required rigidity and strength to the framing, the end boards 18—18 thereof each have a set of apertures 19—19 that aline with like sets of apertures 20—20 in the cross pieces 12—12 to provide for closely making the frame 18 fast to the bars 12 by screw and nut bolt connections 12^a (see Fig. 4).

By reason of forming the supporting framing in the manner stated and shown, after it is set up the basket may be quickly placed on the top frame 18 and be snugly and securely held thereon, without the aid of special fastening devices, since the bottom rim 4 of the basket fits entirely around the outer edge of the frame 18 with the bottom board 5 of the basket resting flatwise upon the frame 18.

When the basket is placed in the position last stated it may be readily developed into a basinet by applying suitable drapery, as in Fig. 1, and for such purpose a canopy support is provided and is attachable to one end of the basket in the manner best shown in Fig. 4, by reference to which it will be seen that the canopy 24 is mounted upon a standard which includes a vertical member 22 and a horizontal hanger member 24^a that projects at right angles with respect to the member 22. To facilitate the packing and crating of the complete bassinet, as presently more fully explained, the members 22 and 24 are relatively of such length with respect to the basket body that the standard may be supported flatwise upon the upper edge of the basket as shown in Fig. 3.

To provide for easily securing the standard in a rigid manner along one edge of the basket, a bail shaped bracket 25 is secured along the outside of the rear end of the lower band 4 into which a foot portion 26 of the member 22 is received and is secured by a cross bolt 27 (see Fig. 6). By providing the member 22 with a foot portion as shown and stated, the standard is projected vertically along the back of the basket and is adapted for flatwise engaging the upper basket rim 3, the standard being provided with a beveled and angled notch 28 that interlocks with the said upper rim edge 3 and to which it is made fast by a screw 29 as shown in Fig. 4.

By constructing the knock-down framing as stated and shown, a bassinet with the supporting frame mounted thereon and the canopy standard supported thereon, may be readily shipped from department stores with the parts assembled as shown in Fig. 3, it being understood that in shipping from a factory, a number of baskets, each with its knock-down supporting frame, together with the canopy support combined therewith, may be crated for shipment to thereby reduce freightage expense.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the drawings, the complete construction, the ease in which the parts may be assembled to form a complete bassinet and knocked down for packing, and the advantages of making a bassinet, as stated, will be readily apparent to manufacturers and others that handle articles of this character.

What I claim is:—

1. In an appliance of the character stated, the combination with a basket having a base frame that extends around and below its bottom, a supporting frame including a top member adapted for snugly seating against the basket bottom and within the depending frame portion thereof.

2. An appliance of the character stated comprising a portable supporting frame that includes two end supports, a top member adapted to snugly seat against and interlockably engage the bottom of a basket shaped body, means for securing the top member onto the said supports, the said supports and the top member, when knocked down, being adapted for being carried within and packed with the basket.

3. An appliance for the purposes stated that comprises a knock-down supporting frame composed of a pair of wheeled axles, a reach connecting the two axles, a pair of end uprights mounted in each axle, a cross member mounted on the upper ends of each bar of the said uprights, a top frame mounted on the said cross members, the said frame and the cross members having alining apertures, bolt and nut connections for said apertures, and a baby container mounted upon the said top frame, the top frame and the baby container having interlocking elements.

4. A baby's furniture comprising a knock-down portable frame composed of opposite end sections, each of the said end sections including a wheeled axle, a pair of vertical uprights and a cross bar mounted on the top of each pair of uprights, a top board, means for securing the said top board onto the cross bars on the end upright, a baby container, and means on the container and the top board for interlockably engaging each other, the several members that constitute the portable frame, when knocked down, being foldable into the baby container.

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