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Baby-Walker.

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Fig. 1.

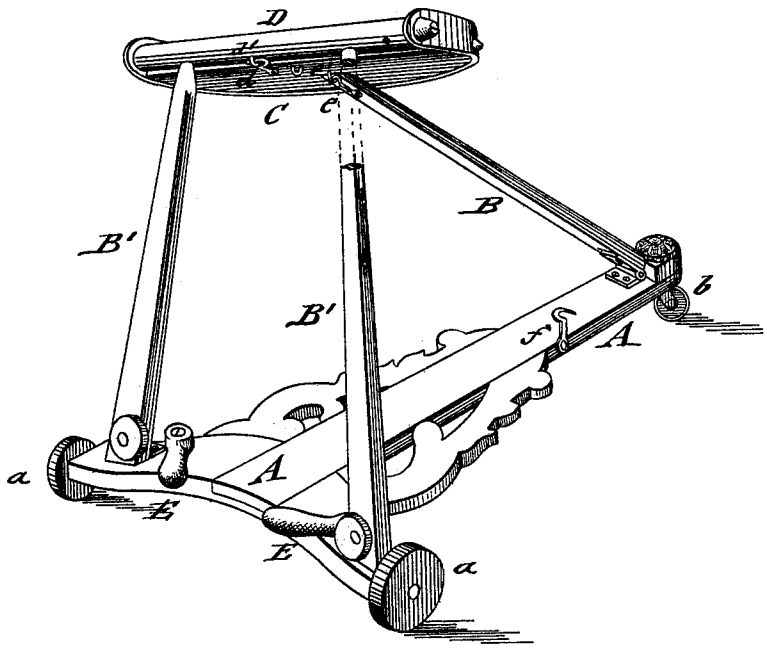
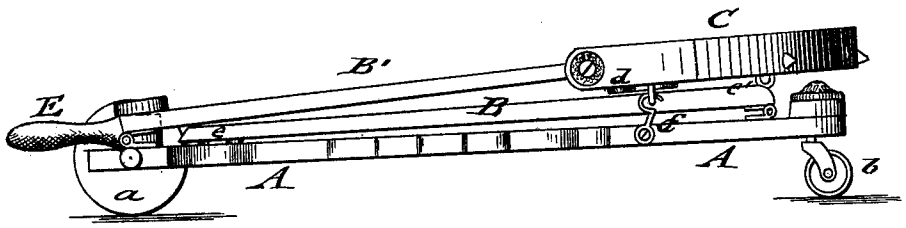


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN BABY-WALKERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN H. HEADLER, of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Folding Baby-Walker, of which the following is a specification:

In the accompanying drawing, Figure 1 represents a perspective view of my improved folding baby-walker, shown in position for use; and Fig. 2 is a side view of the same as folded up.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The invention relates to an improved baby-walker that may be folded up so as to be conveniently carried and taken along to the park, country, or other place, the device having also the further advantage of being used as a wheelbarrow or toy wagon.

The invention consists of a wheeled base-section with hinged and folding legs or braces, of which the rear arms carry the swinging table, to which the front brace in locked in suitable manner. By folding and locking the table and legs down to the base the entire device may be taken hold of by pivoted handles and used as wheelbarrow or wagon.

Referring to the drawing, A represents the base section, which is placed on side rollers or wheels *a*, and on a front caster, *b*, so as to admit the moving of the baby-walker in every direction. The base-section is made in plain or ornamental manner, according to the style and finish given to the device.

To the base A are hinged the folding legs or braces B B′ that support the table C, which is pivoted to the ends of a round cross-piece, D, at the upper ends of the rear legs B′, and secured into horizontal position thereto by a hook and eye, spring-catch, or any other suitable locking device, *d d′*. The front leg B also assists in supporting the table C in horizontal position, being locked thereto by a hook and eye, *e e′*, or otherwise. When the table is thus supported on the legs B B′ the child may readily follow the baby-walker by taking hold of the round top piece and pushing the entire device forward.

By releasing the locking device of the table from the front leg and top piece, the table and legs may be folded down on the base-section, and locked thereto by a hook, *f*, entering the eye *e′* at the under side of the table.

The baby-walker may be used in folded state as a toy wagon or carriage, or as a wheelbarrow by means of pivot-handles E at the rear part of the base-section, near the foot of the legs B′, which handles are turned outwardly and retained by suitable stops.

The folding up of the baby-walker forms the essential feature of the invention, as it admits the convenient handling, storing, shipping, and using of the baby-walker at any time or place.

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

1. A folding baby-walker made of a wheeled base-section, hinged folding legs, and of a table swinging on the top of the rear legs, and adapted to being locked to or released from the legs, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. In a folding baby-walker, the combination of the folding rear legs, having lateral top piece, with a swinging table-section pivoted to a top piece, and locked by suitable devices to the cross-piece and to the folding front legs, to support the table in horizontal position, substantially as specified.

3. In a folding baby-walker the combination of a wheeled base-section, having a suitable locking device, with the folding legs and swinging table, to lock the device into folded position, substantially as described.

4. In a folding baby-walker the wheeled base, having pivoted handles and stops to use the device in folded-up state as wheelbarrow and toy wagon, substantially as described.

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