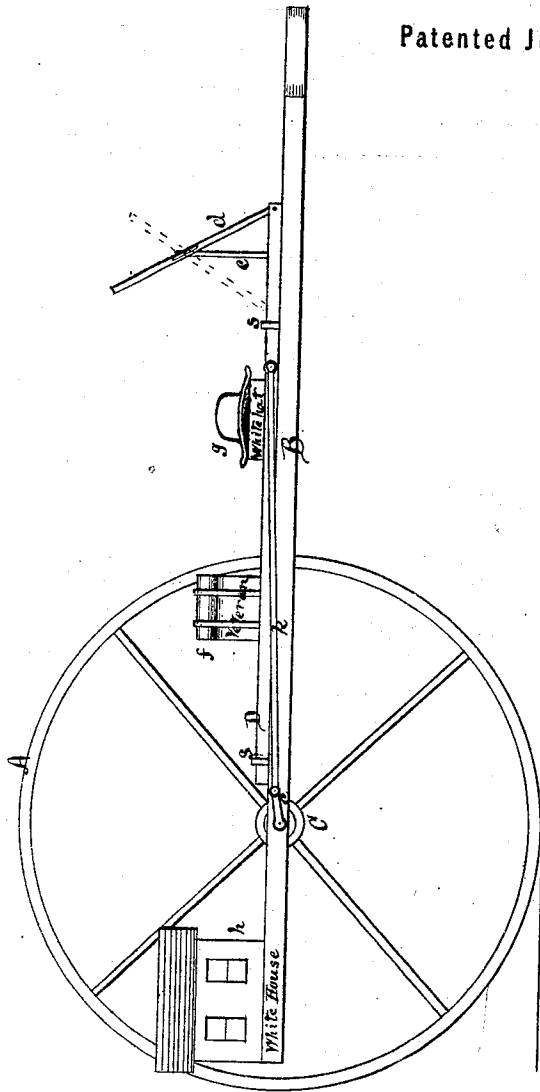


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SPECIFICATION.

Be it known that I, IRA E. LOUGHBOROUGH, of Pittsford, in the county of Monroe and State of New York, have invented a "Toy Hoop," of which the following is a specification:

The object of my invention is to provide a novelty for the amusement of children; and it consists in the employment of a trundling-hoop, having an axial hub, by which it is pivoted to a handle, and upon it are arranged either fixed or moving figures.

The drawing is a side elevation of my invention.

My invention is more especially intended for a political-campaign toy, and when used as such may be provided with moving figures representing opposing candidates.

A represents the hoop or wheel; B, the handle; C, the hub; D, the bar to which the figures or a portion of them are attached. The hub C is centrally suspended by means of suitable spokes, and it is pivoted to the handle B by a bent wire, which latter constitutes also the crank for moving the figures. The handle may be bifurcated, and the axial wire put through both legs, or it may be made narrow and attached on one side of the wheel. The sliding bar D is retained in position by the staples *s*, and it is reciprocated by the pitman *k* from the crank *c*, or a zigzag or a cam might

be used for the purpose, if desired, which would avoid the necessity of the pitman *k*. The figures or a portion of them may be attached to the bar D. The handle B may be extended beyond the center of the hoop in front, and the toy-house *h* fixed to the end. This may be made to represent the Presidential mansion, and there may be figures *f* and *g* to represent two of the contesting candidates for its occupancy attached to the reciprocating bar, the owner of the toy having his choice placed in advance, of course.

One of the figures, *d*, may be made to oscillate upon a fixed post, *e*, having the foot attached to the bar D. This might be made to represent the third candidate should there be one.

The figures may be made of pasteboard, or of any other suitable material, and of any desired form, size, or character.

What I claim as my invention is—

A campaign toy-hoop, embracing two or more moving figures, representing the candidates, with or without the representation of the house *h*.

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