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BABY-WALKER.

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Fig. 2.

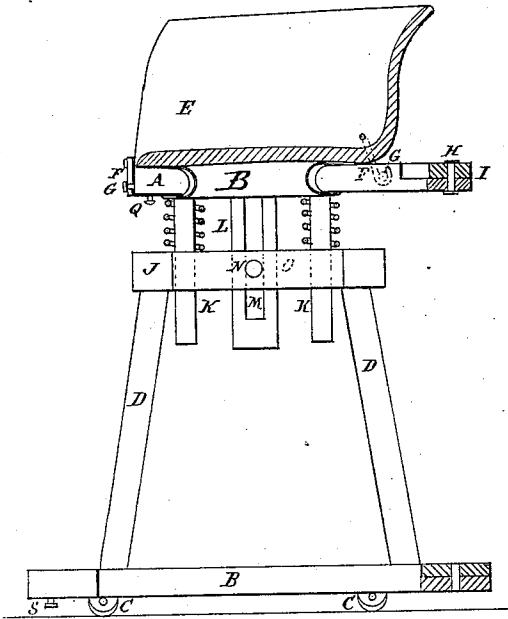


Fig. 1.

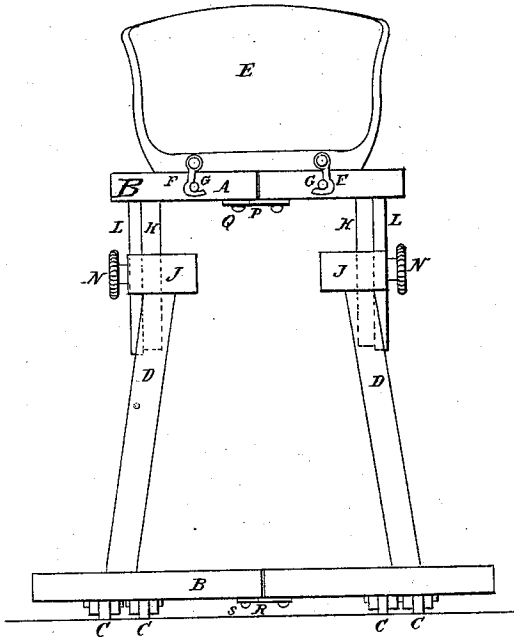


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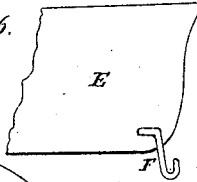


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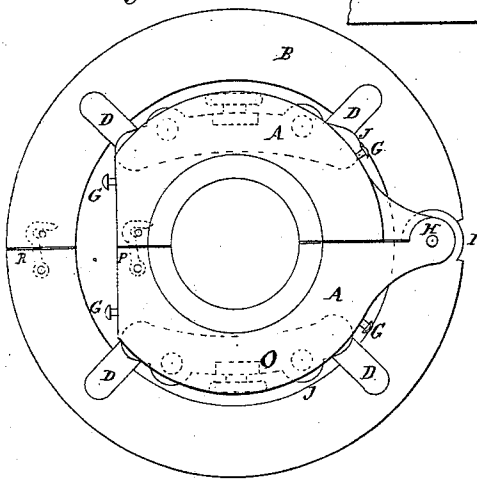


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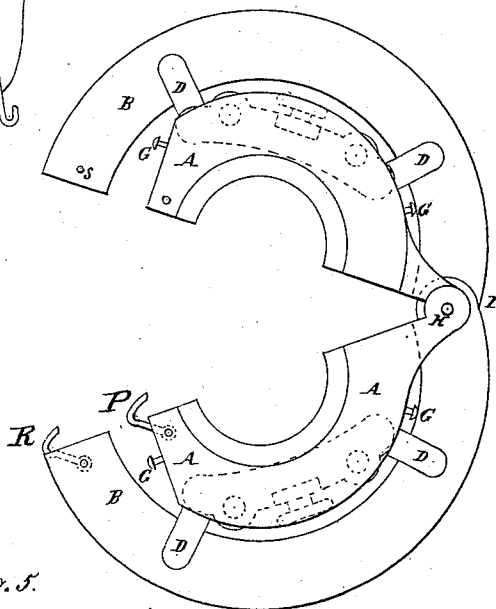
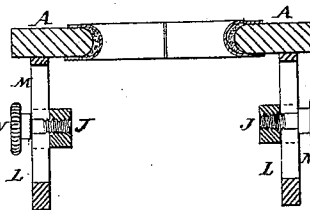


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IMPROVEMENT IN BABY-WALKERS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. **170,544**, dated November 30, 1875; application filed July 26, 1875.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSE GARCIA, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented certain Improvements in Baby-Walkers, of which the following is a specification:

This invention consists in constructing the walker in two parts, hinged or pivoted together, so as to enable it to be opened for the reception of the child, and to be closed and fastened around the child; also, with a ring-shaped foot-plate, combining the legs together, and providing it with a large circular base, to prevent its tipping over; also, in furnishing it with a seat upon its top, with fastenings to secure the same, thereby making the device serviceable as a chair for sitting in at a table.

In the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification, Figure 1 represents a front elevation of a baby-walker constructed according to my invention. Fig. 2 is a vertical section of the same. Fig. 3 is a plan view, with the seat removed and the walker closed. Fig. 4 shows a similar view, with the walker open, ready for the reception of the child. Fig. 5 is a vertical cross-section of the breast-piece and its guides separated. Fig. 6 represents the rear portion of the seat, with its fastening.

In each of the views similar letters of reference are employed to indicate corresponding parts wherever they occur.

A represents the breast-piece; B, the foot-plate, which has four casters, C C C C, on the under side, to enable the device to be readily moved about over the floor. D D D D represent the legs of the walker, and E the chair-seat, which is made separate and secured upon the upper side of the breast-piece by means of hooks F, attached to the said seat, which pass over the studs G G, projecting from the edge of the breast-piece.

The seat E is readily detached from the device, when the same is to be used as a walker, by unlocking the hooks F from the studs G.

Both the foot-plate and the breast-piece are vertically divided, from rear to front, into two equal parts, connected at the rear by a pivot, H, which forms a hinge, I, to allow the

two parts to open sufficiently to receive the child.

Each part of the foot-plate has two of the legs D secured in its top, which legs are connected together at their upper ends by means of a cross-piece, J, which passes horizontally from one leg to the other. The foot-plate is formed circular, with a large opening in the center, to give room for the child to use its feet. The legs D D are equally distributed around the foot-plate, and the cross-pieces J are equidistant from the central division of foot-plate and the breast-piece. Each half of the breast-piece has two vertical guide-rods, K K, passing down through the cross-piece J, and a central vertical flat side, L, fitting a groove, O, in the bar J. The slide is provided with a vertical slot, M, through which the set-screw N passes into the cross-piece J.

By releasing the set-screws N N of both slides L L, the breast-piece can be raised or lowered and properly adjusted under the arms of the child, to cause the device to bear a portion of its weight, and thereby facilitate the child's learning to walk.

To lock the forward ends of the breast-pieces and foot-pieces, I employ the hook P or R, attached to one of said pieces, which passes over a stud, Q or S, on the other piece.

By means of the foot-plate B the legs D are firmly combined, and said plate, having a circular periphery and extending beyond the legs, prevents the device from tipping over.

Springs may be employed over the rods K K, as shown in Fig. 2, whereby the walker can be used as a baby-jumper, or the breast-piece be made to yield to the motions of the child.

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

1. The vertically-divided breast-piece A and vertically-divided foot-piece B, in combination with the cross-pieces J J and legs D D, and provided with the pivots H H and fastenings P Q and R S, substantially as and for the purposes herein described.

2. A combined baby-walker and chair, embodying in its construction a removable seat,

E, provided with fastenings F, a vertically-divided breast-piece, A, having studs G G, vertically-divided foot-piece B, cross-pieces J J, and legs D D on pivots H H, and fastenings P Q and R S, the whole being constructed and arranged to operate in the manner and for the purpose as shown and described.

In witness whereof I hereunto sign my name
this 18th day of May, 1875.

JOSE GARCIA.

In presence of—
HUGO GORSCH,
R. BOEKLEN.