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Carriage Top.

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Fig. 1.

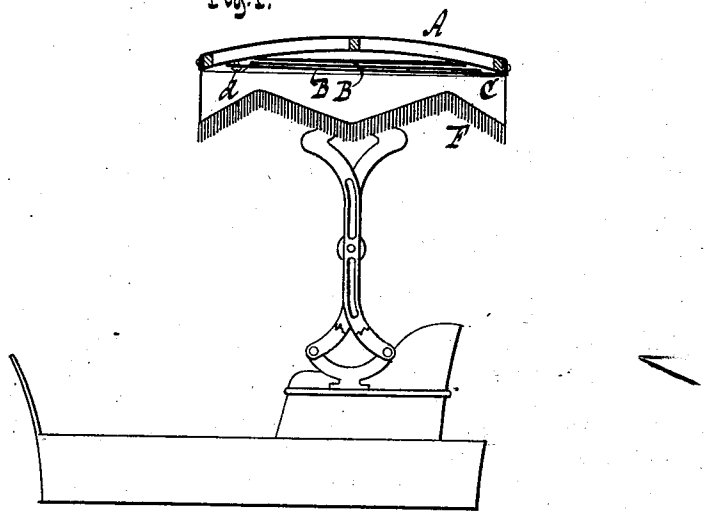
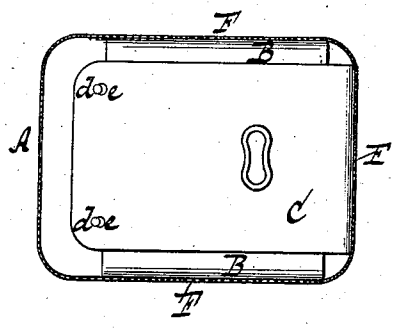


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH McKEE, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Carriages, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to the arrangement of the curtains of carriages, and especially children's carriages, with the view of stowing the same away upon the vehicle.

This invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 shows the same applied to a child's carriage. Fig. 2 is an inverted plan view of the carriage-top.

Similar letters indicate corresponding parts.

The letter A designates the top of the carriage, and B B C the carriage-curtains, arranged on the sides and back of such top. These curtains B B C are attached to the appropriate edges of the carriage-top A in such a manner that they are adapted to be laid or folded on each other beneath such top, and for the purpose of holding the curtains in that position I combine therewith a fastening device for engaging the curtain, which is brought outermost in the folded condition of the curtains. The fastening device referred to consists in this example of buttons *d*, secured to the under side of the carriage-top A, and the curtain which in this example engages therewith is the back curtain, C, the latter being provided with holes *e* for the reception of the buttons; but in lieu of the buttons various other devices may be adopted, and, instead of making the back curtain the outer one, either of the side curtains may be arranged to take that position, the fastening device being arranged accordingly.

The carriage-top A is ornamented with the usual festoon or trimming F, which depends therefrom at its edges, and the curtains B B C are arranged inside of such festoon, so that the latter does not interfere with the folding of the curtains, and at the same time preserves its symmetry of form whether the curtains are folded up or lowered to their normal positions.

It will be seen that by my invention the curtains B B C can be elevated and brought out of the way with the least difficulty and with the least danger of marring or injuring the parts, inasmuch as the curtains can be left in a spread or distended condition both when they are folded and unfolded.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The combination, with the top of a carriage, of side curtains and a back curtain, adapted to be laid or folded upon each other beneath such top, and a fastening device for engaging the curtain, which is brought outermost in the folded condition of the curtains, substantially as shown and described.

2. The combination, with the top of a carriage, of the side and back curtains, connected with the edge of the top of the carriage, with a festoon or trimming connected with the edge of the top of the carriage outside of the curtains, substantially as described, whereby the curtains can be turned inward and fastened on the under side of the top without disturbing the festoon, as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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