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## COMBINED BABY CARRIAGE AND CRADLE.

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*Fig. 1.*

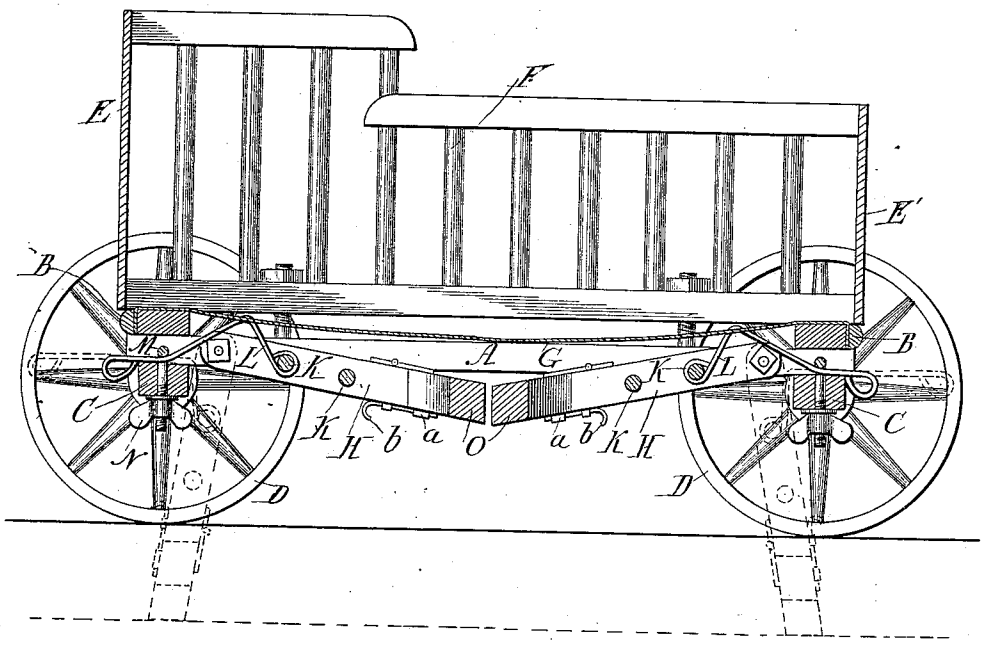



*Fig. 2.*

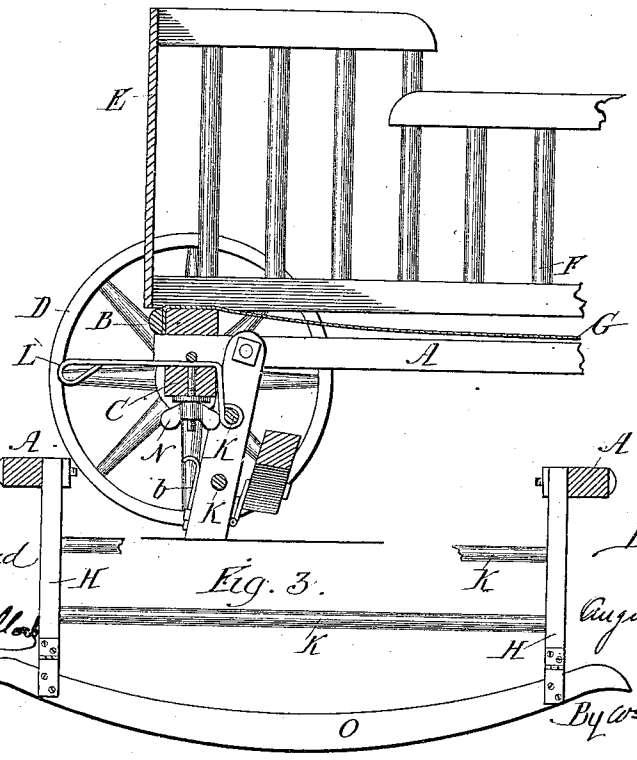



*Fig. 3.*

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, AUGUST ABEL, a subject of the Emperor of Germany, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Baby Carriage and Cradle Combined, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to a combined baby carriage and crib.

The object of the invention is to so construct a baby-carriage that it may, when it is desired, be converted into either a stationary or rocking crib.

To the accomplishment of the above the invention consists of certain novel devices and combination of devices, as will be described and claimed.

Reference will be made to the accompanying drawings, in which Figure 1 is a longitudinal sectional view showing the device when used as a carriage; Fig. 2, a similar view, partly broken away, showing a stationary crib; and Fig. 3, a detail cross-section showing the rockers in position for use.

Like letters refer to like parts in each view.

The frame-work of the device consists of the longitudinal bars A, connected by cross-pieces B at each end. This frame-work is supported upon the axles C, upon which wheels D are mounted, there being a suitable space left between cross-pieces B and axles C, the object of which will be described.

Mounted upon the frame-work described is a frame consisting of suitable head and foot pieces, E E′, and longitudinal open-work frames F, the whole forming the sides and ends of the carriage or crib.

Stretched upon frame A B is a wire mattress, G, as clearly shown.

The construction thus far described serves to form a perfect baby-carriage, and to convert the same into either a stationary or rocking crib the parts now to be described may be used.

Pivoted to the inner face of each longitudinal bar A, and at a point near each end thereof, is a leg, H, the two legs at each end being connected by suitable cross-bars, K, as clearly shown in Fig. 3.

Secured to one cross-bar, K, is a bent wire, L, which passes between the axle and the cross-bar B, ending in a ring, as shown. This wire is of such a shape that by pushing upon it the frames, consisting of legs H and cross-bars K, may be elevated to the position shown in Fig. 1.

To hold the parts in their elevated position, I employ a hook-shaped pin, M, which is passed down through the axle and screw-threaded on its lower end, and is provided with a thumb-nut, N, by means of which the bent or hook-shaped part may be forced down upon wire L to hold it securely.

By means of the above-described construction the carriage may be converted into a stationary crib.

Hinged to each pair of legs H, at points near their lower ends, is a rocker, O, so arranged that it can be turned to a position beneath the legs, which will rest upon it, thus enabling me to convert the device into a rocking-crib.

To insure the rockers being held securely in position, I prefer to use the lock shown, which consists of eyes *a*, secured to the rocker, and a sliding bolt, *b*, secured to each leg.

I am aware that cribs have been provided with pivoted legs provided with casters arranged to rest upon the floor when the legs are folded, and also that cribs have been provided with hinged rockers carrying casters to be used when the rockers are folded, and therefore I disclaim such construction; but

What I claim is—

1. The combination, in a combined baby carriage and crib, of a frame mounted on wheels, and legs pivoted to the frame, but independent of the wheels, as set forth.

2. The combination, in a combined baby carriage and crib, of a frame mounted upon wheels, legs pivoted to the frame, and rockers hinged to the legs, the rockers and legs independent of the wheels, as set forth.

3. The combination, with a baby-carriage and legs pivoted to the frame thereof, of a bent wire secured to such legs, a hook-shaped pin, and a thumb-nut, as set forth.

4. The combination, with a baby-carriage, of legs H, cross-bars K, bent wire L, hook-shaped pin M, and thumb-nut N, as set forth.

5. The combination, with a baby-carriage, and legs H, provided with sliding bolts *b*, of hinged rockers O, provided with eyes *a*, as set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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