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ROCKER ATTACHMENT FOR BABY CARRIAGES.

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FIG. 1

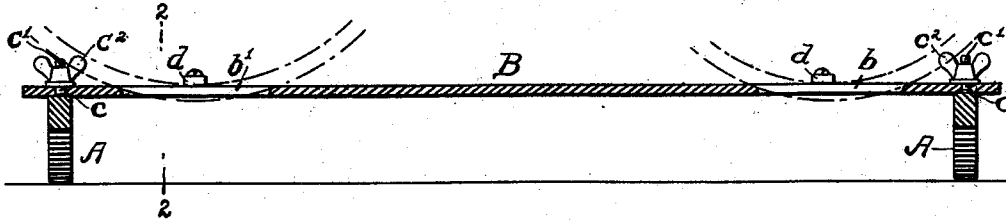


FIG. 2

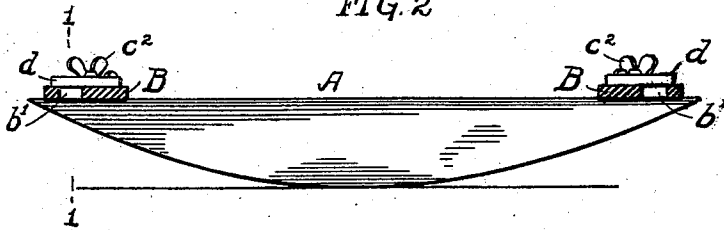
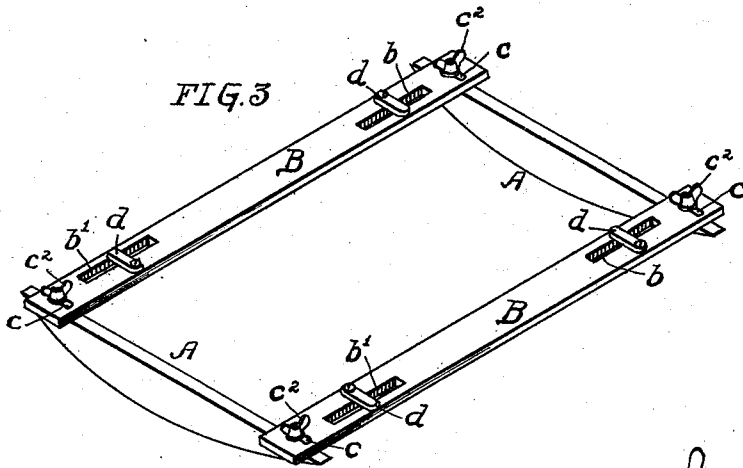


FIG. 3



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRED WALKER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Rocker Attachments for Baby-Carriages, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

My invention consists of a rocker attachment for baby carriages, by the employment of which the baby carriage may be converted into a cradle, and it consists in certain novel features of construction which will be hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings: Figure 1 is a sectional elevation on the line 1-1, Fig. 2 of a rocker attachment, constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a transverse sectional elevation of the same, on the line 2-2, Fig. 1, and Fig. 3 is a perspective view.

The rocker attachment forming the subject of my invention comprises rockers A. A connected together by longitudinal bars B. having slots *b b'* for the reception of the carriage wheels.

The bars B are provided near each end with transverse slots *c* through which extend screws *c'* to the rockers A. The screws *c'* are provided with thumb nuts *c²* so that they may be readily loosened when it is desired to adjust the distance between the bars B to suit carriages of different width.

In the bars B, near one end, are formed slots *b* adapted to receive the front wheels of the carriage, and near the opposite ends of the bars are slots *b'*, at a slightly greater distance from each other than the slots *b* and adapted to receive the rear wheels of the carriage. On the bars, near the edge of each slot, is a pivoted catch *d*, of any suitable construction, adapted to be swung over the inner periphery of the wheel felloes and confine the wheels in the slots so that all danger of accidental displacement will be avoided.

In practice, the baby carriage is lifted or rolled onto the supporting bars, after the lat-

ter have been adjusted to the proper width, and after the wheel rims have fallen into the slots *b b'* the catches *d* are swung into place to engage the wheels and firmly lock the latter in place. The carriage may now be rocked or oscillated in the same manner as a cradle.

My device is very cheap and simple and its advantages are obvious. It occupies but little room, and when not in use, the thumb nuts may be partly released and the parts swung together on the screws as pivots, and hung up out of the way, or the rockers may be readily detached from the bars B and the pieces be stored away.

As the carriage body is hung on springs, and the wheels rest on the bars B at some little distance from the rigid rockers A, the rocking will be easy and gentle and will not jar or irritate the child occupying the carriage.

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

1. A rocker attachment for baby carriages comprising in combination, a pair of rockers, supporting bars adjustably connected thereto, said supporting bars having two sets of slots *b b'*, one set being near each end of the bar and within the point of attachment of the bars to the rockers, and devices for securing the carriage wheels in said slots, substantially as specified.

2. A rocking attachment for baby carriages comprising in combination, a pair of rockers, a set of supporting bars having slotted end portions for adjustably securing the bars to the rockers, there being in said bars two sets of slots *b b'* for the reception of the carriage wheels, the slots of the set *b* being closer to each other than the slots *b'* of the opposite set, substantially as described.

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

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