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FIG. 1.

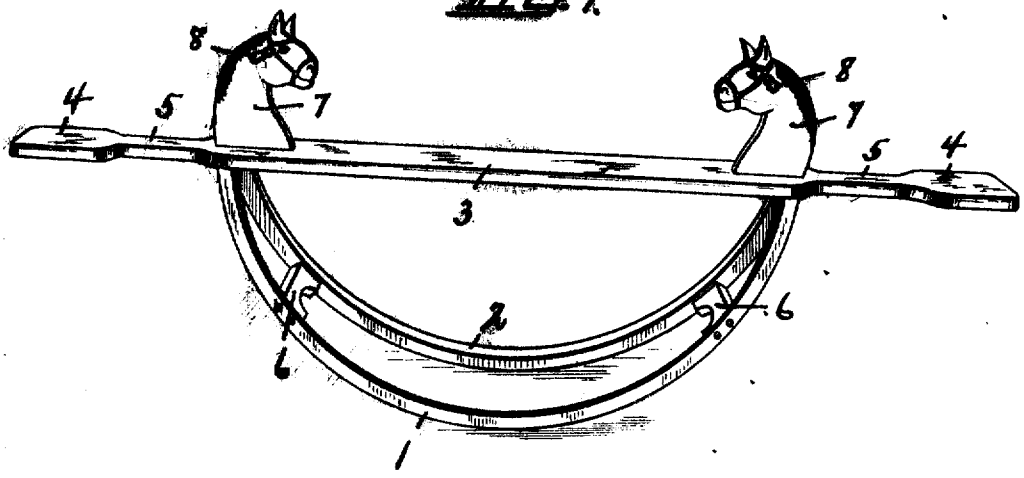
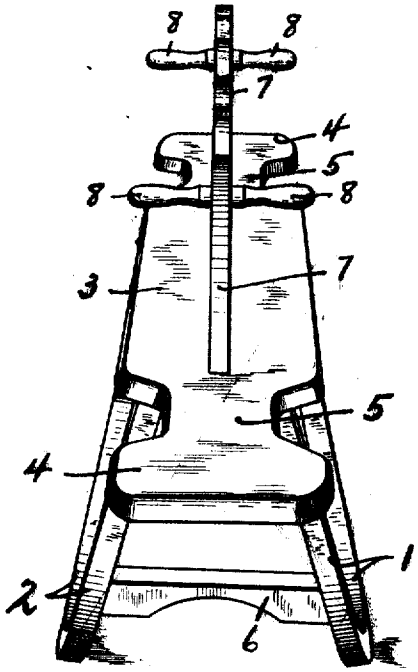



FIG. 2.




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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM T. SCHWARZ, a citizen of the United States of America, and resident of Syracuse, in the county of Onondaga, in the State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Teeters, of which the following, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to certain improvements in teeters.

The primary object of the invention is to produce a novel, comparatively simple unitary, self-contained apparatus for use largely as an amusement device for children and which has a rocking, rolling movement quite different from the movement of the usual pivoted teeter.

Other objects and advantages relate to the details of construction and arrangement of the parts, all as will more fully appear from the following description taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figures 1 and 2 are perspective views of the teeter taken from different angles.

As shown, the teeter comprises a pair of similar arcuate rockers —1— and —2—, respectively, preferably of substantially semi-circular form and arranged side by side, and preferably spaced at their free ends and diverging downwardly so that the space between the lower portion of the rockers which normally contacts with the supporting surface is of greater extent than the space between the upper ends of the rockers which are attached to the teeter board —3—.

As stated, the upper ends of the rockers are each connected to intermediate portions of the teeter board —3—, which board is preferably of a width sufficient to cover the upper ends of the rockers.

The method of securing the rockers to the board may be varied and may be effected in any suitable and well-known manner, as by jointing or by screws, nails or the like.

The teeter board —3— is preferably symmetrically arranged upon the rockers, the upper ends of respective rockers being attached to the board adjacent its opposite edges, and the board extends at each end a substantial distance beyond the points of securement of the rockers to the board to form seats —4— beyond the rocking support for the teeter board.

Preferably intermediate the seats —4— and the point of securement of the rockers to the board —3—, the board is provided with a restricted portion —5— formed by notching or grooving the opposite edges of the board to form recesses adapted to receive the legs of the person seated on the teeter.

The rockers —1— and —2— may be connected to each other at spaced points, preferably at points intermediate the central portions of the rockers, and the end portions connected to board —3—.

The means for connecting the rockers may, as shown, comprise cross bars —6— arranged wholly between the rockers and secured to the rockers in any suitable way, as by bolts, screws, nails or the like. The number and position of these brace bars —6— may be varied to suit the form and size of the teeter to which they are applied.

The board —3— is further provided with upstanding vertical bars —7—, in this particular illustration shown in the form of horses' heads, there being a bar projecting vertically from the board adjacent the opposite points of securement of the ends of the rockers —1— and —2— to the teeter board, and preferably just within or adjacent to the restricted portions —5— so that the person sitting upon the seat —4— may comfortably grasp the handle bars —8— formed in connection with the bar —7— projecting laterally from opposite sides thereof.

When the device is used upon carpet and the like, it is found to have a rapid walking movement as well as a self-contained rocking, rolling movement.

It will be apparent that various changes may be made in the details of the construction without departing from the spirit of the invention as set forth in the appended claims.

What I claim is:

1. A teeter comprising an arcuate supporting member, and a teeter board secured thereto and extending across the supporting member and beyond the same at both ends to form seats beyond the termination of the opposite ends of the arcuate supporting member.

2. A teeter of rigid, unitary, self-contained structure comprising an arcuate supporting member, and a teeter board secured to and extending diametrically of the supporting member and projecting beyond the

supporting member at both ends to form seats beyond the termination of the opposite ends of the supporting member.

3. A teeter comprising an arcuate supporting member, and a teeter board secured thereto and extending across the supporting member and beyond the same at both ends to form seats beyond the termination of the opposite ends of the arcuate supporting member, and handle bars carried by the teeter board and positioned adjacent the seat portions thereof.

4. A teeter of rigid, unitary, self-contained structure comprising an arcuate supporting member and a teeter board secured to and extending diametrically of the supporting member and projecting beyond the supporting member at both ends to form seats beyond the termination of the opposite ends of the supporting member, and handle bars carried by the teeter board and positioned adjacent the seat portions thereof.

5. A teeter comprising a supporting member formed of two spaced similar arcuate members connected together at intermediate points, and a teeter board secured thereto and extending across the supporting member and beyond the same at both ends to form seats beyond the termination of the opposite ends of the supporting member.

6. A teeter of rigid, unitary, self-contained structure comprising a supporting member formed of two spaced similar arcuate members connected together at intermediate points, and a teeter board secured to and extending diametrically of the supporting member and projecting beyond the supporting member at both ends to form seats beyond the termination of the opposite ends of the supporting member.

7. A teeter comprising a supporting member formed of two spaced similar arcuate members connected together at intermediate points and diverging downwardly, and a teeter board secured thereto and extending across the supporting member and beyond the same at both ends to form seats beyond the termination of the opposite ends of the supporting member.

8. A teeter of rigid, unitary, self-contained structure comprising a supporting member formed of two spaced similar arcuate members connected together at intermediate points and diverging downwardly, and a teeter board secured to and extending diametrically of the supporting member and projecting beyond the supporting member at both ends to form seats beyond the termination of the opposite ends of the supporting member.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 4th day of January, 1918.

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