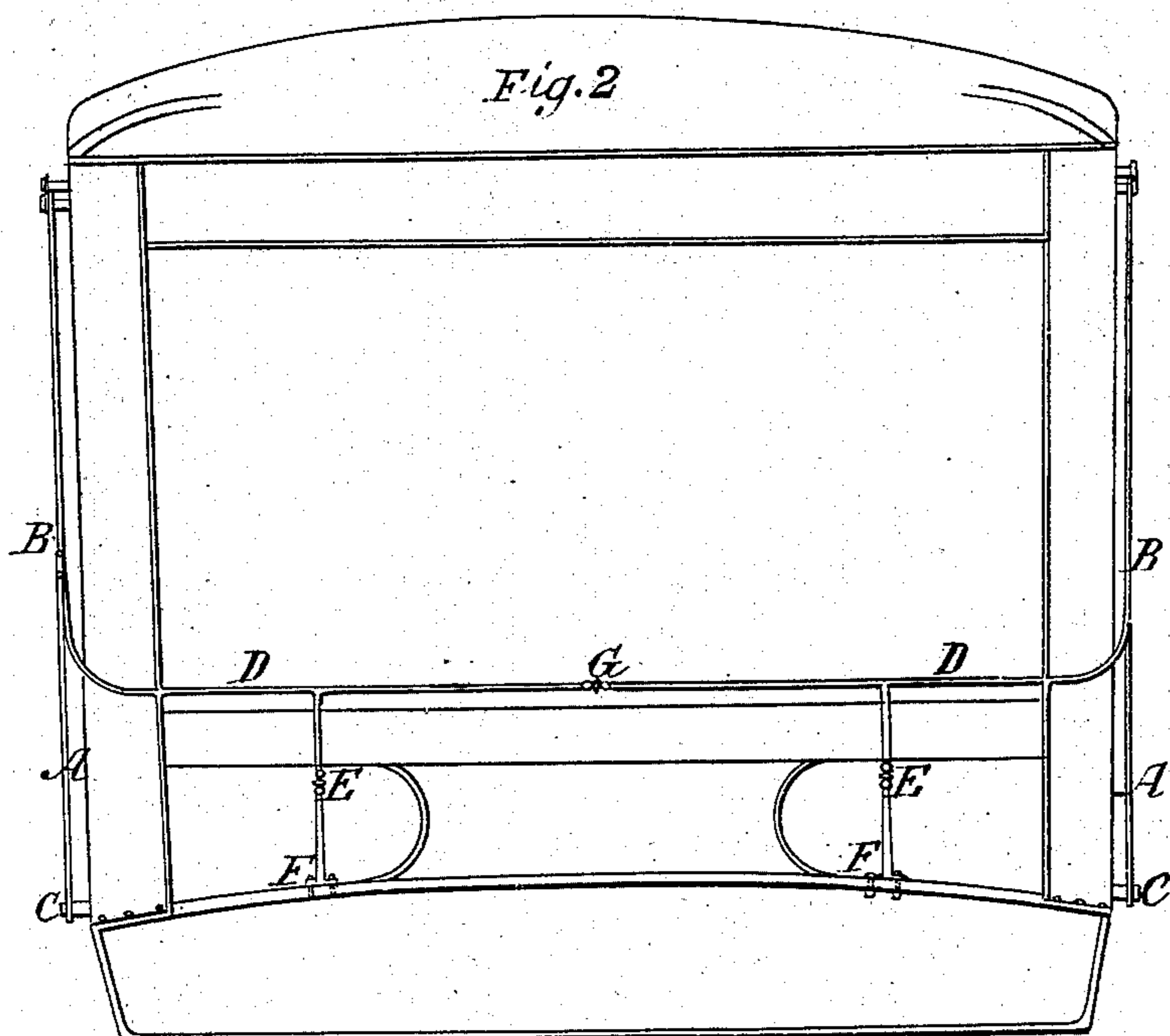
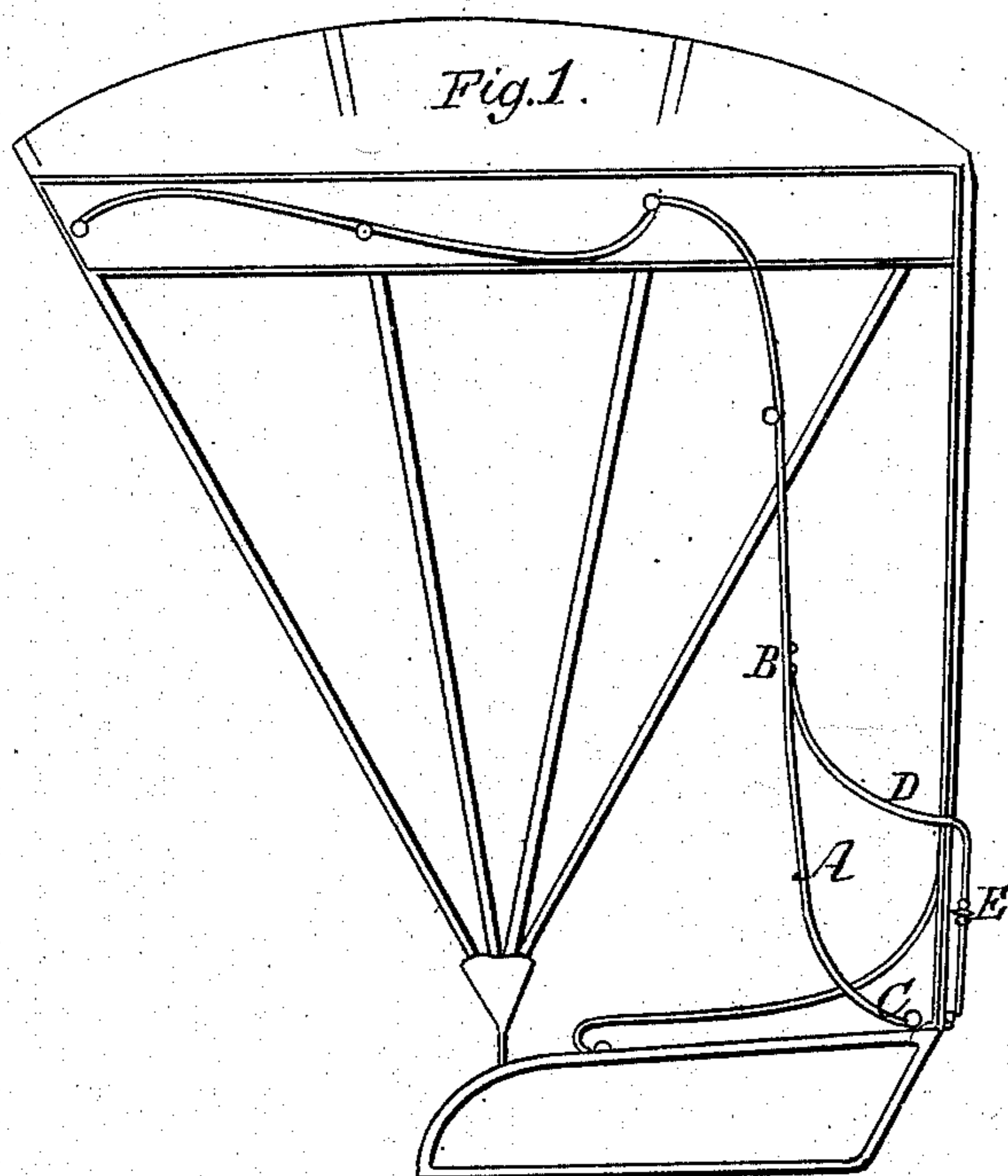


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MODE OF ADJUSTING CARRIAGE-TOPS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CYRUS W. SALADEE, of Columbus, Ohio, have invented a new and Improved Mode of Adjusting Carriage-Tops; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

10 The nature of my invention consists in the application of a light iron rod connected to the "top props" and extending around the back of the seat near the top edge of the same, and is so arranged that while the passenger is seated in the carriage the top may be let down or raised up with one hand.

To enable others, skilled in the manufacture of carriages, to make and use my invention, I will endeavor to describe its mode of construction and operation.

20 In the first place, I construct the top after the usual manner. In the "top prop" A, (Figure 1) I make two rivet, or bolt holes at B, about 12 or 15 inches from the bottom C. I next make the rod D, sufficiently long, to extend around the back of the seat, as seen in Fig. 2, with corresponding holes through each end to fit those made at B, in the "top prop" A, before referred to, and connect the two irons, A and D, together by means of rivets or bolts. The rod D D, Fig. 2, I attach to the back of the seat by means of two short rods E E, the top ends of which are welded to the lateral rod D D, and the lower extremities are con-

nected to the seat back, at F F in such manner as to form a joint. Thus when the passenger is on the seat, he has but to put his hand on the rod, D D, at G, and by a slight pressure the "top props" are drawn back 40 and the top is let down, and is raised in like manner, without changing the position of the operator. This being a convenience and an advantage not attained in the ordinary top, nor in any of those patented. I therefore disclaim the use of one straight rod, or bar, of iron when placed on the inside of the back to the seat with both extremities passing through a square hole in the lower end of the "top props" and operated upon 50 by a lever, as that forms no part of my invention. Neither do I claim the long perpendicular rods at the back of the seat and connected to the back bow—as that patented by Mr. Huntington; but 55

What I do claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent is—

1. The lateral rod D D in combination with the "top props" A, Fig. 1, (or A A Fig. 2.) 60

2. I also claim the perpendicular rods E, E in combination with the lateral rod D D and the back of the seat, for the purpose of throwing back, or raising up the top while seated in the carriage, substantially as set forth. 65

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