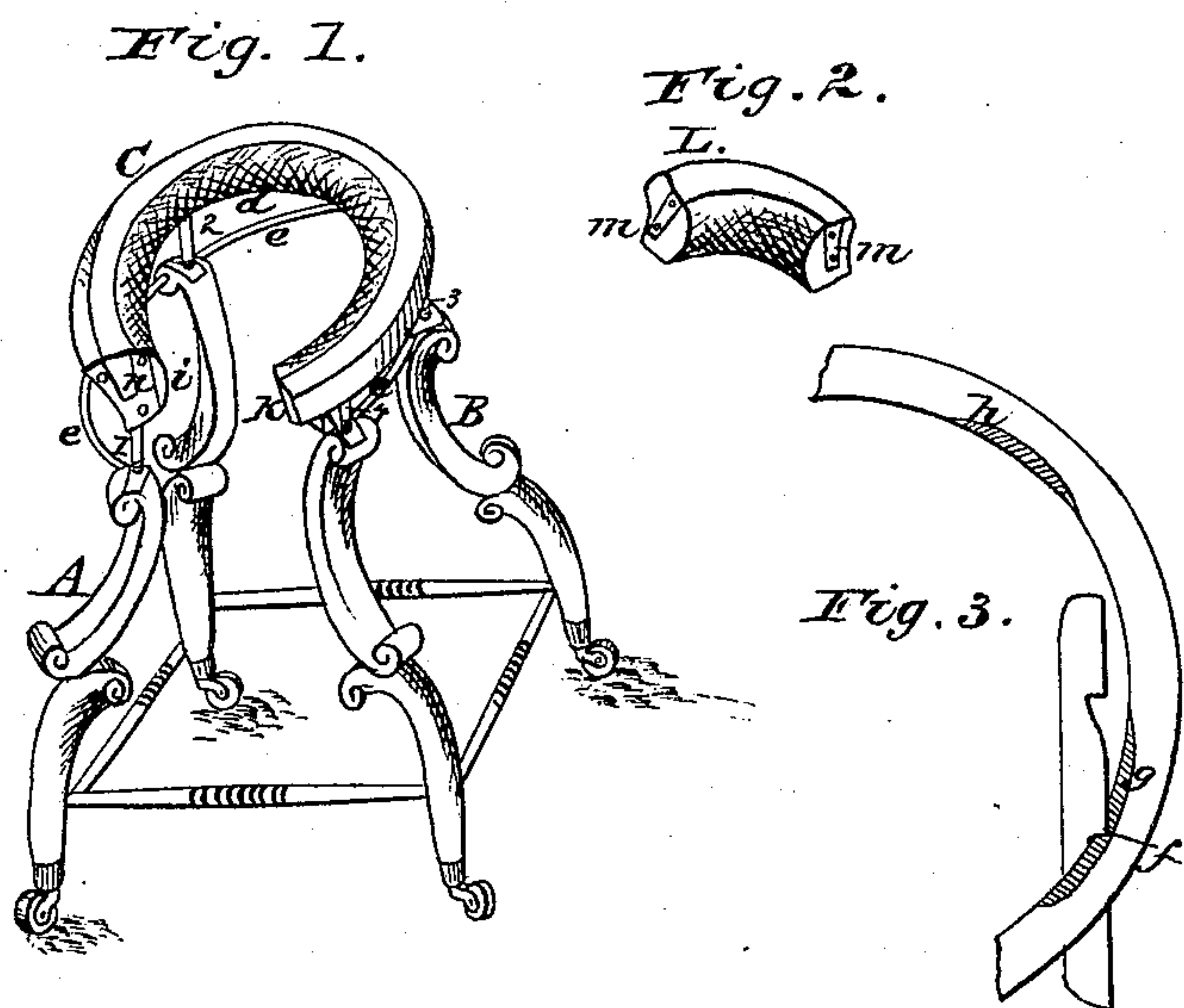


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## IMPROVED BABY JUMPER AND SUPPORTER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HENRY FRANKFURTH, of the city of Utica, in the county of Oneida and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in the Nursery Article called a Baby Walker and Supporter; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective elevation of the complete article as hereinafter described, except the movable gate, which is shown separately in Fig. 2. Fig. 3 is a section, on an enlarged scale, of the device used for raising and lowering the height of the article, as hereinafter described, in order to adjust the same to the length of the child.

The same letters refer to like parts in all the drawings.

The frame-work constituting the stand A B, Fig. 1, is of an ordinary description, as seen by the drawings, and may be in any plain or fancy form, and is of a height to allow the child to reach the floor with its feet when set within the ring C, its arms resting on the ring. The ring is of convenient circumference, so as properly to inclose the waist of the child, and may be upholstered on its interior surface, as shown at *d*, or otherwise, to render it comfortable. This ring, which is to support the child and more or less to relieve the limbs and feet, as may be desired, is for this purpose made adjustable as to its height. For this purpose a vertical rod or metallic post 1 2 3 4 is firmly fixed in the under side of the ring directly over each of the legs of the stand. These rods slide up and down in vertical holes penetrating the legs from the top, thus elevating and lowering the ring at pleasure. It is fixed and held at the desired elevation by means of notches or ratchet-teeth in the sides of the rods, into which a curved spring *e e e* catches as it is raised or lowered. There is a metallic plate screwed down upon the tops of the stand-legs, through which the holes for the vertical rods pass, and this curved spring lies against the rods immediately under these plates.

Fig. 3 exhibits a section of the vertical rod and curved spring on an enlarged scale, showing their connection at *f*, where it will be seen that in order to present an edge and plane appropriate for this connection the spring is cut away, as shown at *g h*. When it is designed to raise or lower the ring, this spring is pressed out of the notches and the ring adjusted, when the spring is again fixed in the appropriate notch.

To avoid the inconvenience of pressing down the child with its clothing through the opening of the ring from above, a gateway *i k* is made of sufficient width to allow the child to be set into its place horizontally from the front. When the child is in its place, the gate L, Fig. 2, which is a segment of the circle of the ring, is inserted in its place and closes up the ring, the whole being nicely upholstered and made comfortable for the intended use. Upon the end surfaces of the gate L, Fig. 2, are screwed the dovetailed plates *m m*. These fit into corresponding notches *n* in the sides of the gateway, the beveled edges of the gate-plates closing in behind the edges of the opposing plates, so that the gate not only closes up the gateway, but holds the parts of the ring together, making it strong and secure.

I do not make a general claim to the invention of the baby walker and supporter, as articles for the same use have heretofore been constructed; but

I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, two improvements herein described, viz:

1. The making of the baby walker and supporter adjustable as to its height, in order to suit the length of the child or more or less to relieve its feet and limbs, as described.

2. The gate and gateway, as described, by means of which the child may be introduced or removed horizontally, as described, the whole being arranged and adjusted substantially in the manner herein set forth.

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