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IMPROVEMENT IN SLEDS.

The Schedule referred to in these Xetters Antent and making part of the same.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, SETH WAY, of La Porte, in the county of La Porte, and State of Indiana, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Bob-Sleds; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view.

Figure 2 is a front elevation.

Figure 3 is the tongue, fastened, without the head-block; and

Figure 4 represents one of the knees.

My improvements relate to that class of bob-sleds either for heavy or light draught, and the points on which I have made my improvements on former bob-sleds will appear from the claims hereinafter to be set forth.

In the drawings, A A are the runners, to which are attached the knees E E by bolts which run through the runners A A and the shoe F, which bolts also fasten the shoe F to the runners A A, as well as the knees E E. The knees E E are cast iron, and may be either hollow or solid.

D D are the beams, to which are fastened the knees E E by means of the bolts g g g g g g g.

B B are the side-pieces, and are fastened to the beams D D by the bolts gggg, and which bolts also fasten the knees E E to the beams D D.

C is the head-block, through which passes the rod H, to which the tongue K is attached by the rod H, run through, and in the slot in the front end of the head-block C, and which head-block C is attached to beams D D by bolts g g g. In light bobs the head-block C need not extend further forward than the first beam D, but in bobs for heavy draught it strengthens it.

I I are thimbles, which may be made either of wood or iron, which hold the head-block C, the tongue K, and the braces J J, which braces J J are attached to the rod H, which is attached to bob by heavy bolts, which pass through the runners A A; the other end of the braces J J attached to the tongue K on either side in such a manner that the draught is proportioned properly.

The thimbles I I, in light bobs, without the head-block extended, run up to the tongue K, and hold it to its place in the centre of the rod H. The tongue K moves up and down with perfect case.

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

The combination of the knecs E E, head-block C, thimbles I I, braces J J, and tongue K, respectively, constructed and arranged substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof, I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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