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Toy Wheel.

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Fig. I.

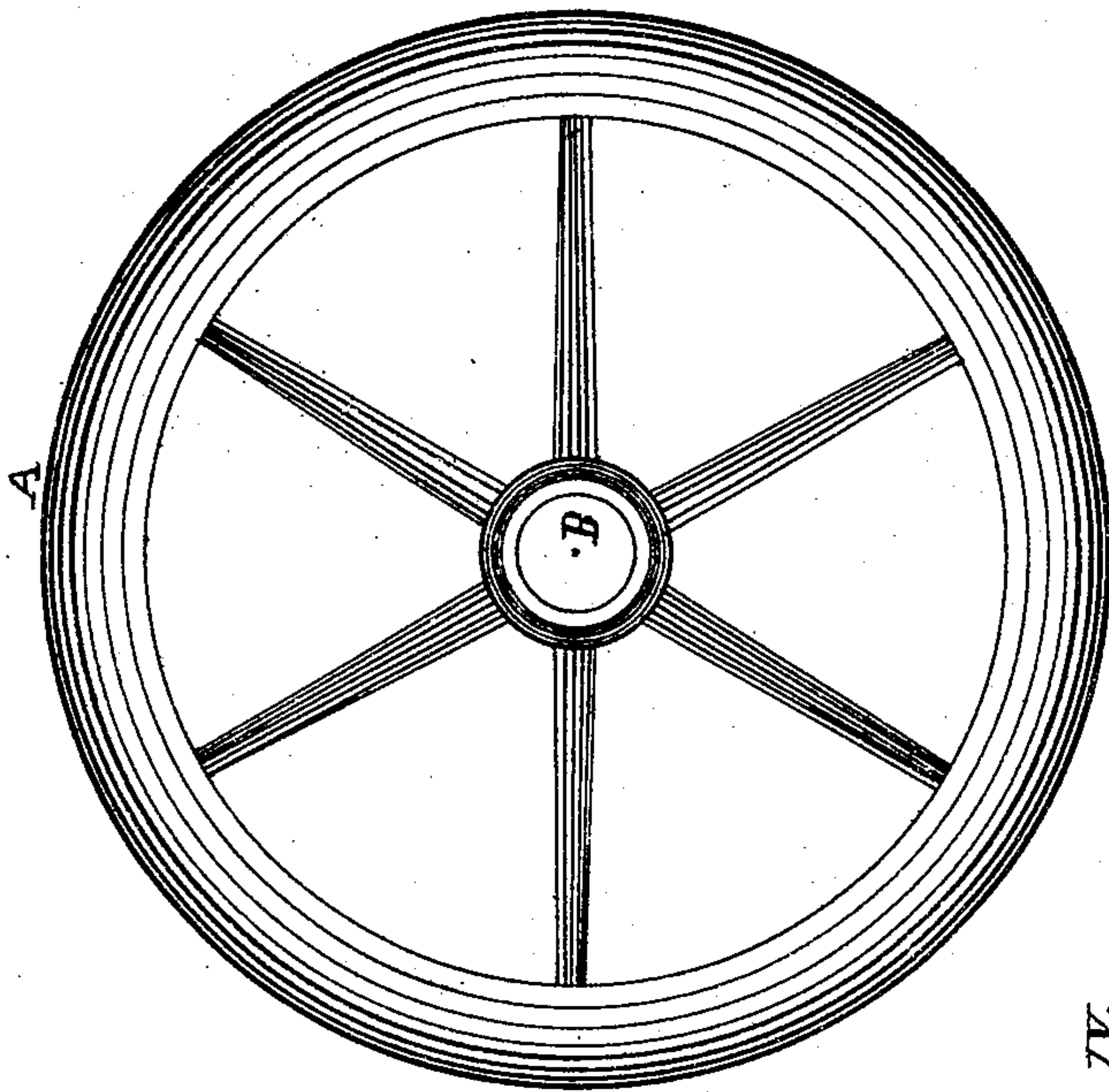
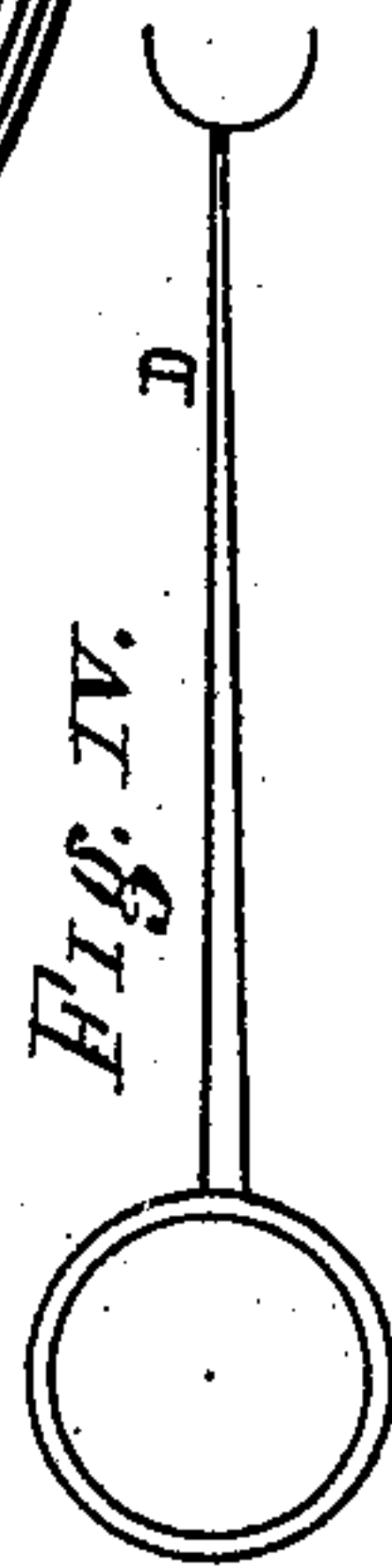
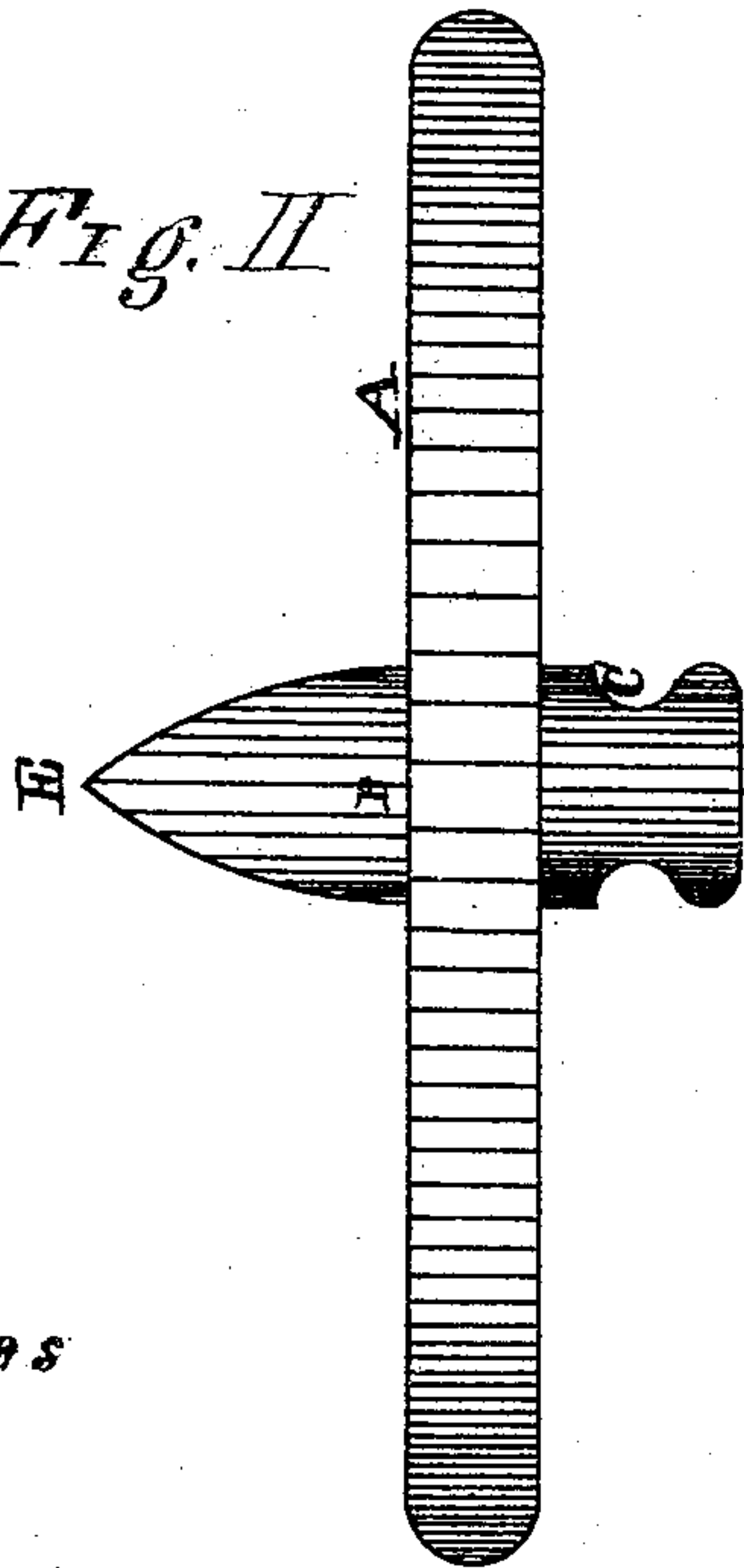


Fig. II



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TOY-HOOP.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HAMILTON J. MAY, of the city of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings, and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Toys; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

The object of my invention is to provide a neat and cheap wheel, designed for a toy for children, to roll or trundle on the ground, or to be spun like a top.

The nature of my invention consists in the combination of a trundle-wheel and top, one end of the hub of which is provided with a top, while the opposite end of said hub is provided with a suitable groove, in which a bifurcated, or a slightly-curved or straight stick or rod is placed, for the purpose of propelling the wheel.

A combined wheel and top constructed in this manner makes a safe and pleasing toy for children, and its utility is evident from the fact that it is well known that lads are amusing themselves with almost any old wheel they can procure, such as belong to wheelbarrows and children's toy-wagons, as well as a variety of others.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe its construction and operation.

Figure I is a side elevation of the hub and wheel.

Figure II is a plan view of the same.

Figures III and IV represent the stick or rod, made in two different forms.

Letters of like name and kind refer to like parts in each of the figures.

A represents the rim of the wheel, which may be made of wood or metal, and of any suitable dimensions, and, with the exception of the hub, may be of common construction, and provided with a suitable number of spokes.

B represents the hub, on one end of which is provided a groove, C, in which is placed the driving or propelling stick or rod D.

The object of the groove C is to prevent the driving-rod from slipping off the end of the hub, while in motion.

The other end of the hub is turned down to a point, on which the wheel may be spun, or whirled in a rotary motion, similar to a top, as plainly seen at E.

The operation is simple and easy, requiring but little practice to roll it in any desired direction. It is put in motion and operated by means of the stick or rod being placed in the groove, and pushed along, the stick being at a suitable angle from the line of motion to operate the wheel successfully.

Having thus described my invention,

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

The wheel, constructed substantially as herein shown and described, in combination with the stick or rod D, as and for the purposes set forth.

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