

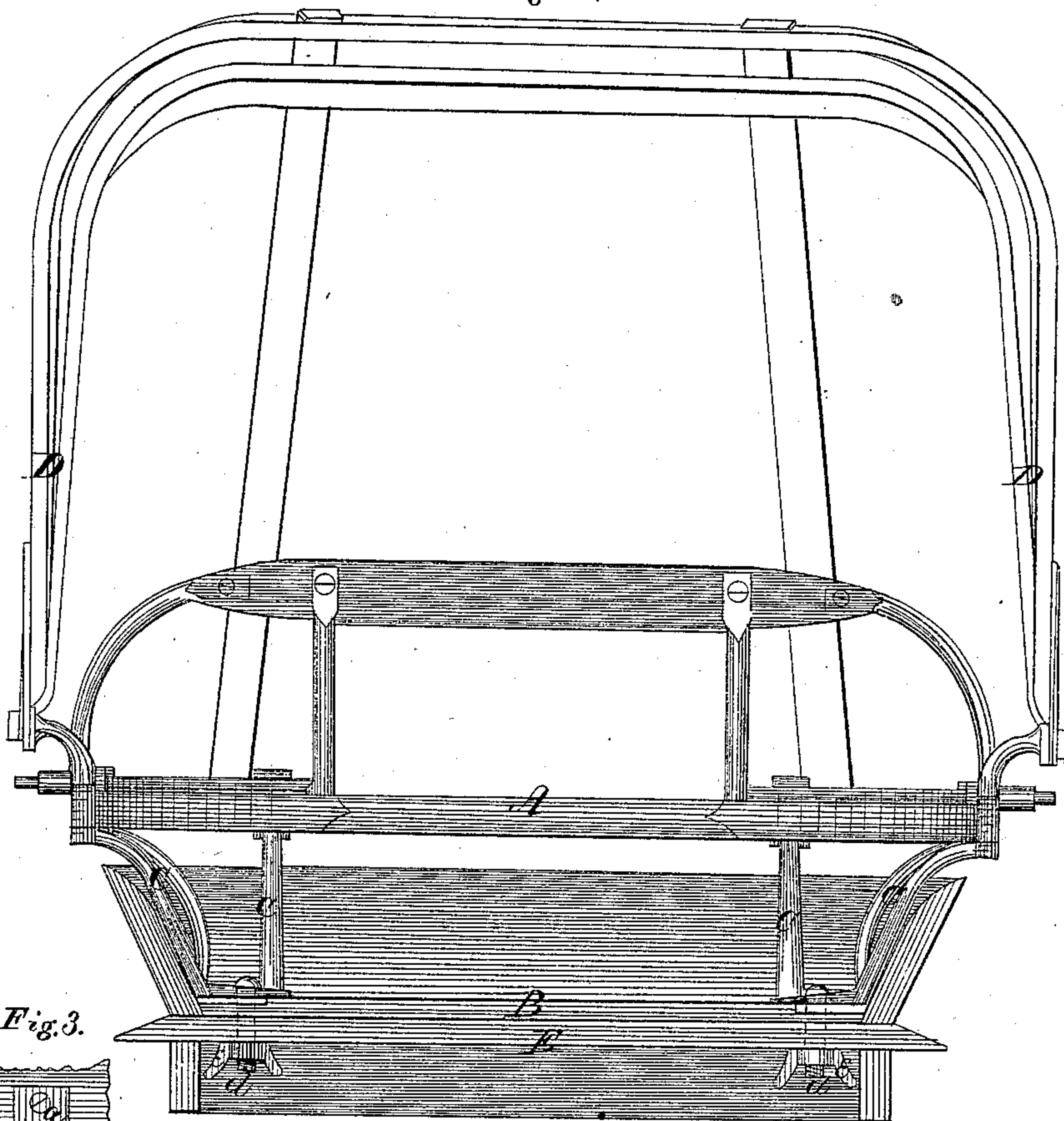
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Buggy Top.

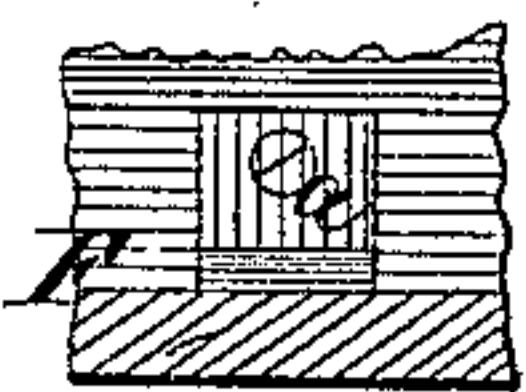
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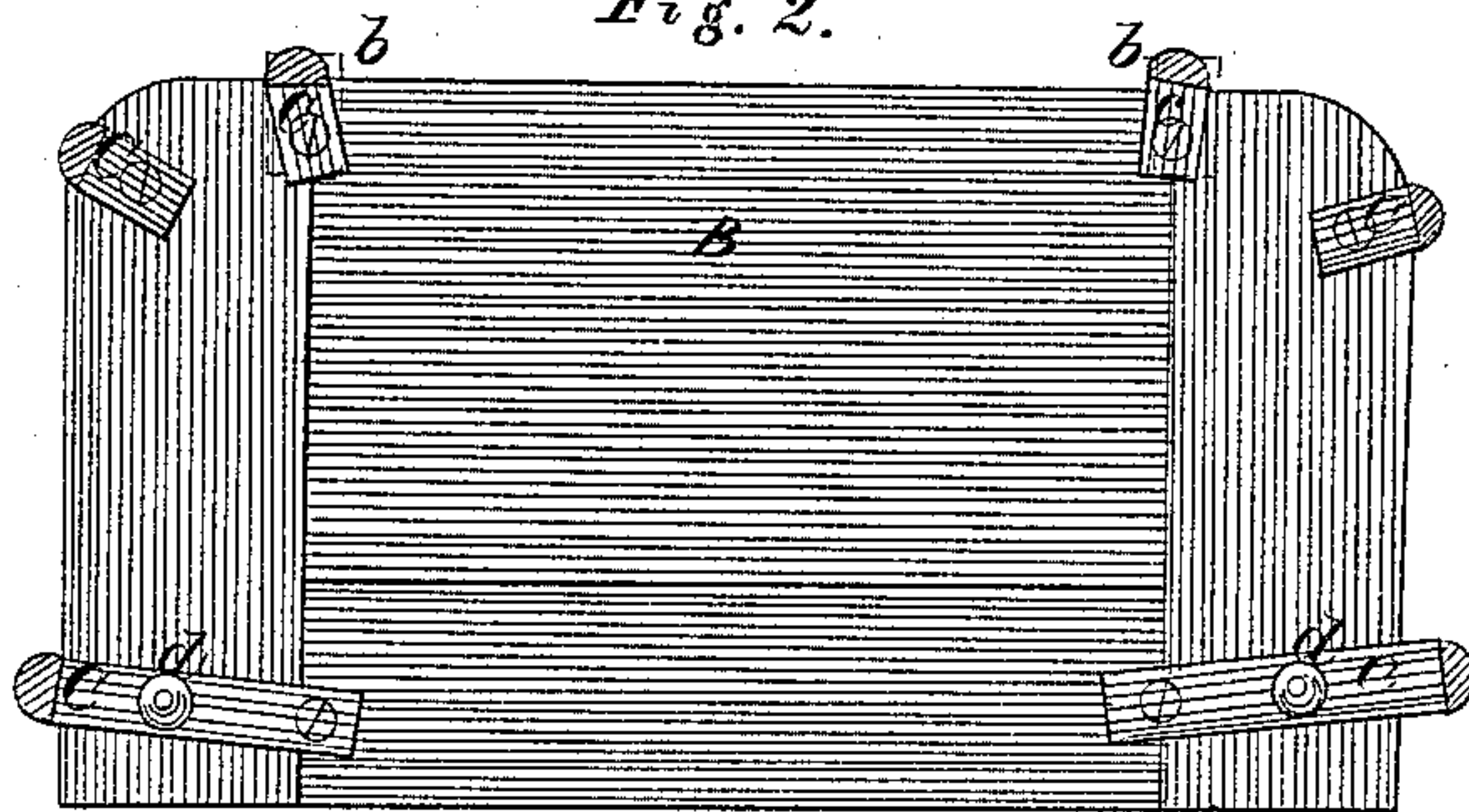
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 3.*



*Fig. 2.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN SHIFTING BUGGY-TOPS.

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, DAVID ELDRIDGE, of Salem, in the county of Columbiana, and in the State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shifting Buggy-Tops; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction and arrangement of a buggy-seat in such a manner that it can be readily changed from a top-buggy to an open-top or no-top buggy.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the complete seat;

Figure 2 is a plan view of the frame to which the top is attached; and

Figure 3 is a section of the back of the no-top seat.

A represents a bent wooden rail, which is connected with the frame bottom B by means of the irons C C, forming a good and substantial seat-frame to receive a top, D.

E represents an open-buggy seat, made in any of the known and usual ways, and provided on the front

or inner side of its back with two small metal lugs or pieces, *a a*, which form recesses directly above the bottom of the seat.

The frame bottom B, which is made to fit exactly on the bottom of the seat E, is provided at its rear edge with small metal projections, *b b*, which are inserted into the recesses under the lugs *a a*.

The frame B is set in the seat E, and secured by means of two-headed bolts, *d d*, fastened by nuts *e e* underneath, making a top-buggy in a very short time. After the top is removed, it leaves the seat E free of irons.

Having thus fully described my invention,

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination of the seat E with the frame B, irons C C, rail A, and top D, constructed as described, and secured together by means of the lugs *a a*, projections *b b*, bolts *d d*, and nuts *e e*, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing, I have hereunto set my hand, this 19th day of November, 1869.

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