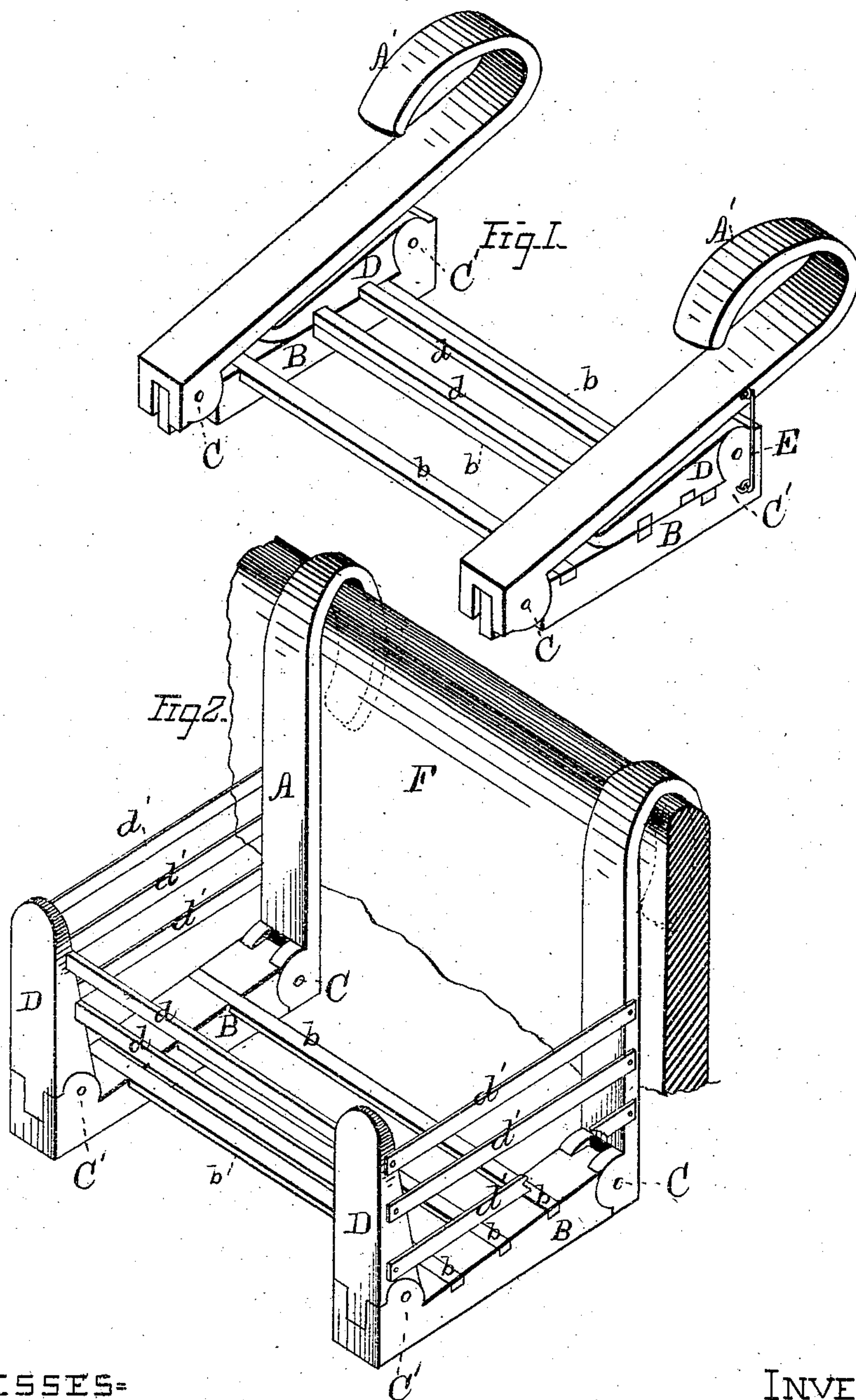


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IMPROVEMENT IN CRIBS FOR CHILDREN.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN W. FORSYTH, of Leesburg, in the county of Loudoun and in the State of Virginia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cribs for Children; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the crib folded up, and Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the crib attached to a car-seat back.

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

The object of the present invention is to provide a convenient and portable device for use chiefly for holding infants in a railway-car; and it consists of a child's crib having arms, the ends of which are formed into hooks or springs, whereby it can be easily and firmly attached to or upon the back of a railway-car seat, and in so constructing the crib that its arms and sides can be folded compactly down upon the bottom.

In the annexed drawing, A represents the arms of the crib. These are formed at their ends into hooks or springs A', which are adapted in size and shape to fit upon the top edge of the car-seat back F, as shown in the drawing in Fig. 2. These arms are connected to and with the bottom rails B of the crib by hinges C, and likewise the front posts D are hinged at their lower ends at C' to the said bottom rails. The bottom of the crib can be made of slats b, or of slats and elastic, or other bands. The front posts D are connected together by means of the slats d, or slats and bands, thus forming the front side of the crib. The ends or right and left sides may be left open, or strips of cloth or elastic bands d' may be extended from the posts D to the arms A, and secured or fastened thereto at their ends.

As thus made or constructed this device is very light, and can be folded down into a compact and portable form, and held by a hooked hasp, E, as shown in Fig. 1, so that it can be readily carried about in the hand of the nurse, or the mother, or traveler.

When occasion requires, the crib can be opened and applied to the car-seat back by means of the hooks or springs without the slightest trouble or inconvenience.

This device affords a cheap and very convenient means for carrying an infant in a railway-car. The crib is so securely fixed to and upon the car-seat back that it cannot, under any ordinary circumstances of railroad locomotion, be jarred or tossed out of place. It is also made of such size as to be amply sufficient to hold an infant and its necessary coverings or wraps, and yet not seriously diminish the accommodation of the passengers occupying the seat in front of it.

By the use of this crib in the railway-car an infant can be carried very comfortably, and the nurse or mother saved the burden and worry of holding the child in her arms.

Having thus fully set forth the nature and merits of my invention, what I claim as new, is—

A child's portable crib, consisting of the bottom rails B, the arms A having the curved spring or hooked ends A', the front posts D, the arms and posts being hinged to the bottom rails, and the connecting bands or strips b d d', the whole capable of being folded compactly together, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 13th day of January, 1874.

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