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Circus Seats.

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Fig. 1.

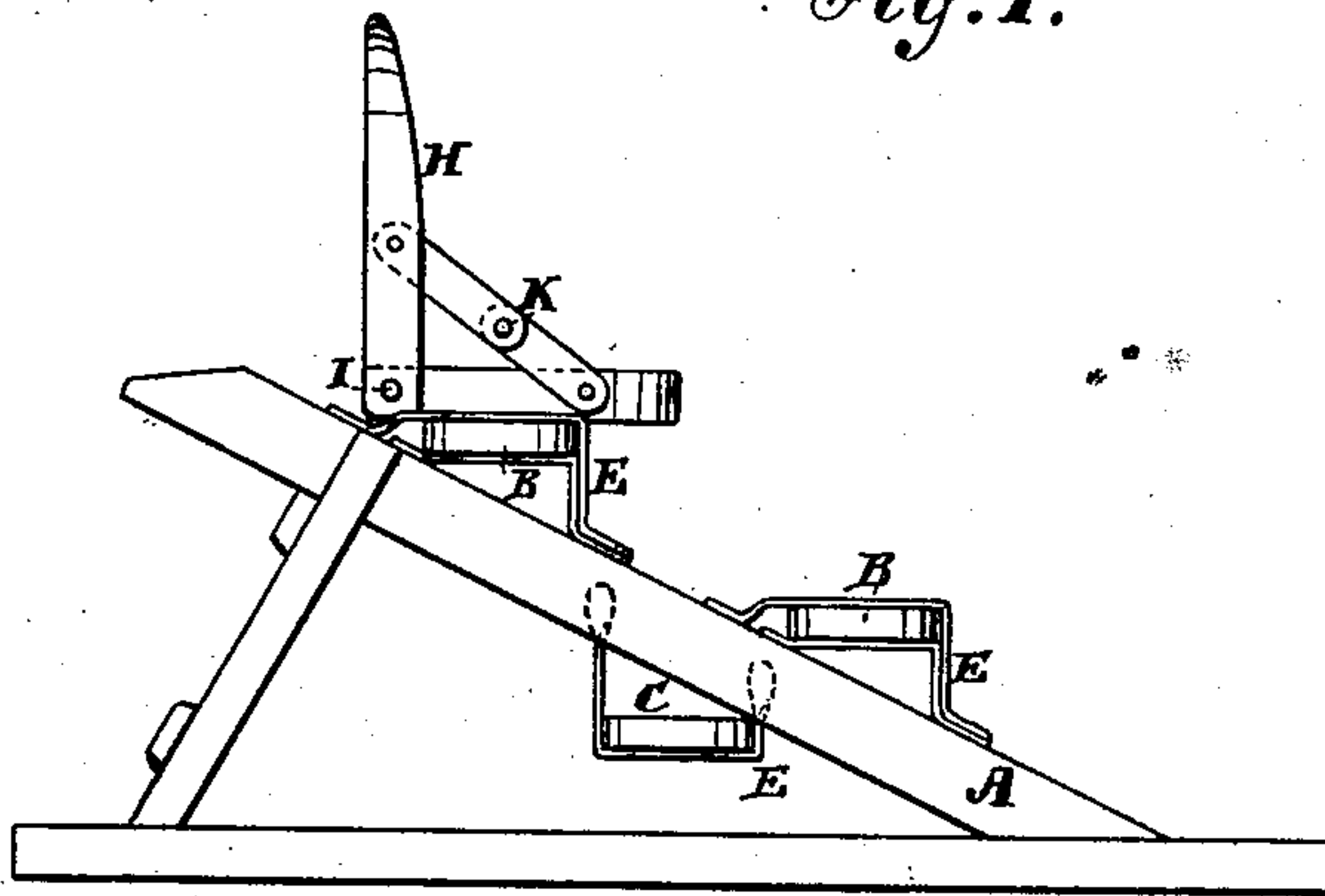
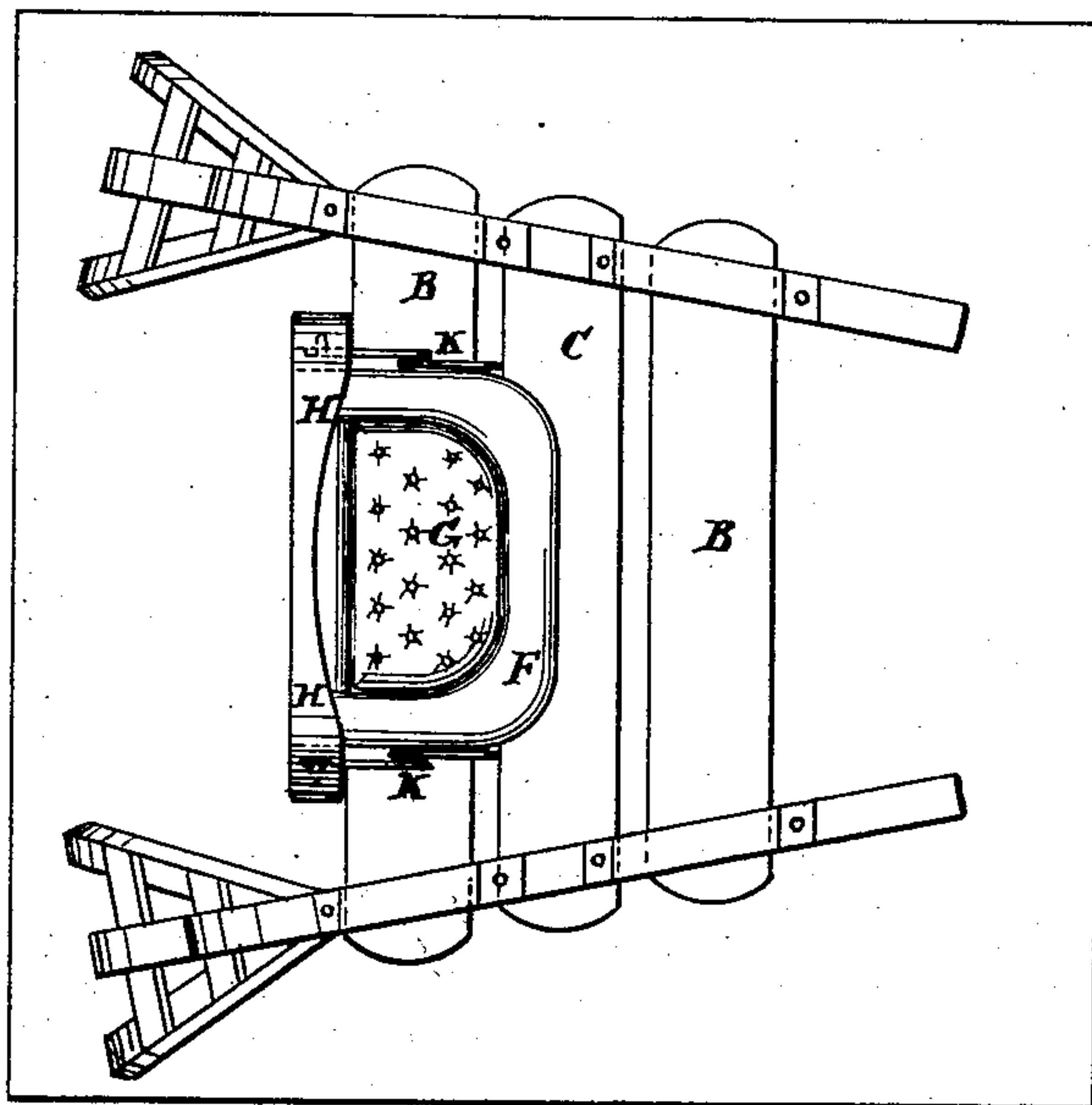


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN CIRCUS-SEATS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. SHUEY, of St. Paul, Ramsey county, Minnesota, have invented a new and Improved Show-Seat, of which the following is a specification:

My invention consists of a seat-frame, with a cushion inside of the frame resting on the supporting-board, and a back frame so constructed and pivoted to the seat-frame that it will fold down on the board around the seat-frame to pack economically, and it is supported when erect by braces jointed so that they fold down readily with the back without being detached.

Figure 1 is a side elevation of my improved seat, and Fig. 2 is a plan view.

A represents the supporting-rails; B, the seat-supporting boards; C, the foot-boards, and E the metal bars by which the boards are connected to the supporting-rails, all as heretofore arranged. F represents the seat-frame permanently attached to the seat-board, and having a cushion, G, placed within it and attached to the board. H is the seat-back, which consists of a yoke made large enough to fold down on the seat-board, outside of the

seat-frame and flush with it, so as to pack economically. It is pivoted to the seat at I, near the back, and supported by jointed braces K, which fold down between it and the seat-frame without being disconnected, thus allowing the folding and unfolding in the most expeditious manner.

I am aware that it is not new to pivot two independent back pieces, connected by a flexible strip or by a pivoted plate, to the sides of the seat-frame; also, that it is not new to construct a seat-frame so as to receive a cushion. Hence I do not claim these features; but

What I do claim is—

A show-seat consisting of the frame F, the back H, formed of a single piece of bent wood, pivoted to the sides of the said frame, and the jointed braces K, the back H being constructed to fold around and closely embrace the seat-frame, in order that the upper surfaces may be flush, as and for the purpose specified.

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