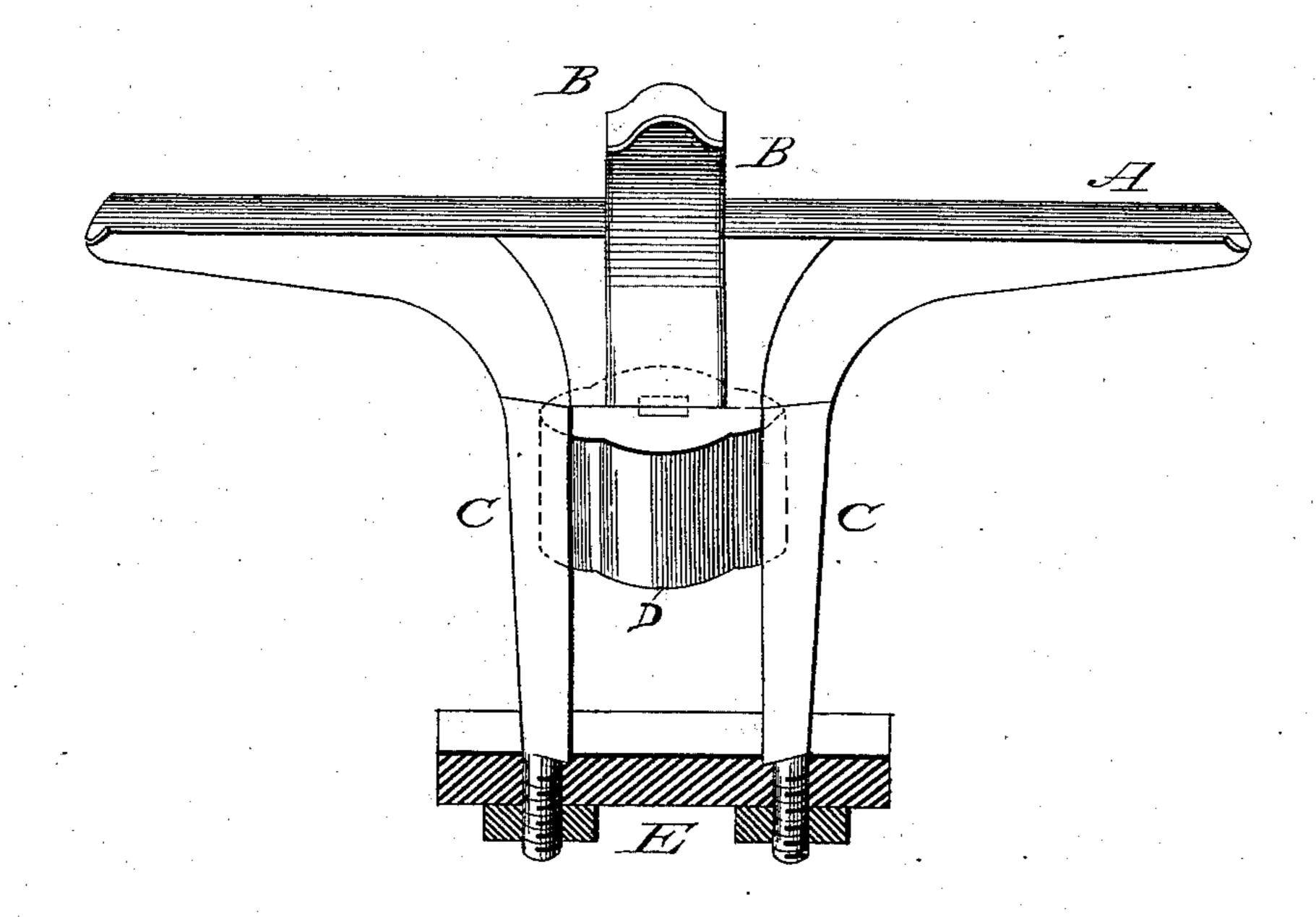
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## CARRIAGE-TOP REST.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Samuel D. Goff, of Marshalltown, in the county of Marshall and State of Iowa, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Buggy and Carriage Top Rests, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to the manner of supporting the bows of buggy and carriage tops while thrown or folded backward, and is intended to take up and break the strain upon the bows while lying upon the prop-block, and to prevent their breaking or straining or becoming bent while in that position.

This invention consists of a concave bar or casting for receiving the carriage-top bows so shaped as to prevent the bows from escaping therefrom, two legs perpendicular to the top bar or concave casting, which legs sit astride of the prop-block, and between said legs, immediately under the top or concave bar, a rubber or metallic cushion or spring which rests upon the prop-block. The legs are joined by a yoke or clip which holds the whole rest in place by means of nuts on the ends of the legs.

The concave portion of the rest, which receives

the bows, is lined with felt, leather, rubber, or other anti-friction or soft substance.

The accompanying drawing represents my said invention, the yoke being in section.

A is the concave bar or casting which receives 30 the bows; B, the lugs or ears which prevent the bows from jolting or springing out of the rest; C, the legs; D, the rubber or metal cushion or spring for taking up the concussion; and E, the yoke or clip, fastened by nuts, 35 for the purpose of attaching the rest to the prop-block firmly, and in such a position as to readily receive the bows.

What I claim as my invention, and upon which I wish to obtain Letters Patent, is—

The concave top or bar, (marked A,) with the lugs or ears B, the legs C, with the rubber or metallic cushion or spring D, and the yoke or clip E combined, substantially as described, and for the purpose set forth.

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