

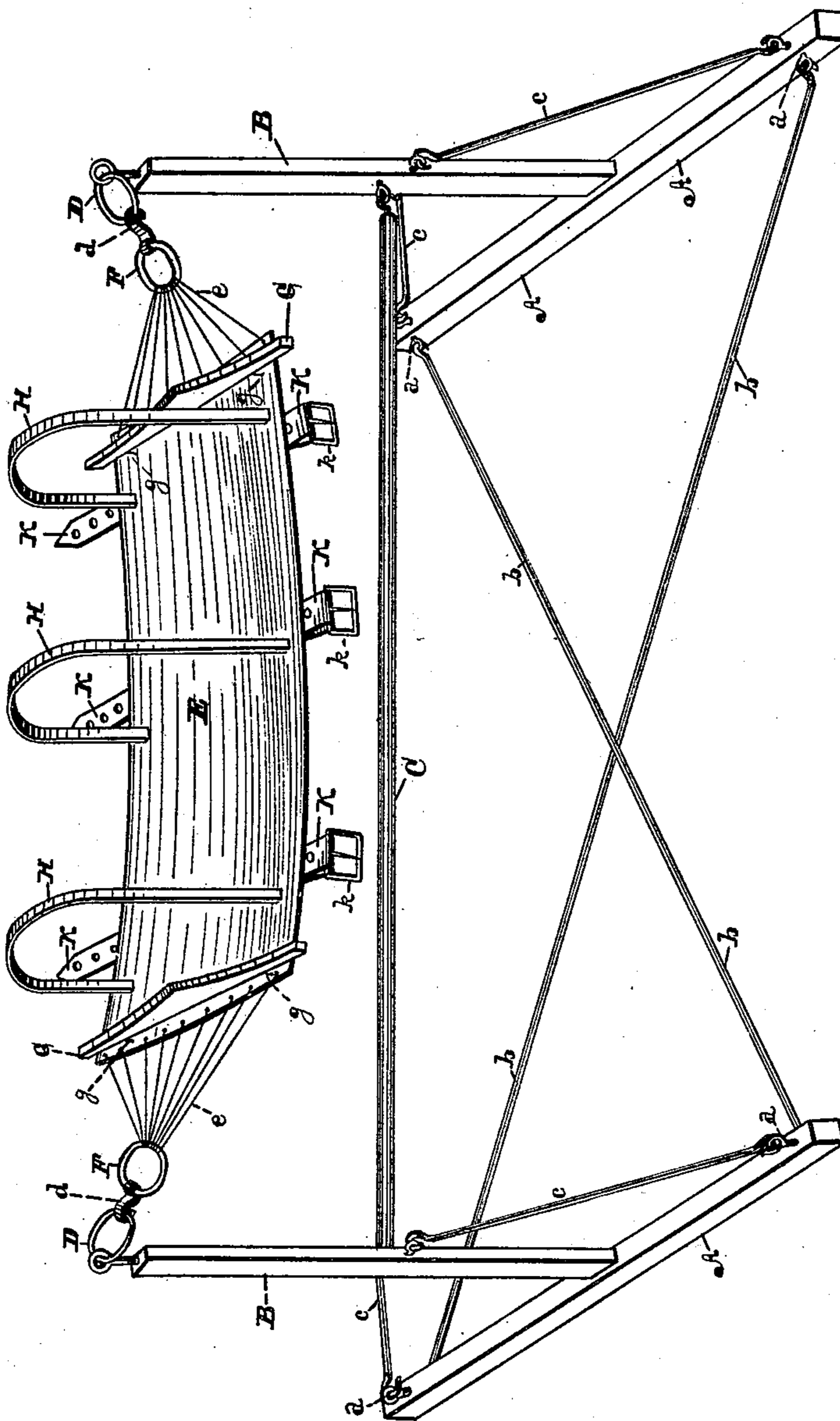
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, NICHOLAS VIZELICH, of Stockton, county of San Joaquin, and State of California, have invented a Portable Covered
5 Hammock and Frame; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

My invention relates to a portable hammock adapted to receive a cover, and to the frame
10 for swinging said hammock, the object of the invention being to provide a ready, convenient, and secure place to lie down when necessary, as will be more fully seen hereinafter.

My invention consists in the arrangement
15 and combination of certain supports, props, and braces, which may be easily set up and taken down, and in a hammock adapted to be suspended from the frame thus made, said hammock being provided with head and foot
20 stretchers and curved bars, upon which is laid and supported a covering, whereby protection is afforded to the occupant, and the whole device being adapted, when taken down, to be rolled up together, the hammock forming the
25 casing or sack, and strapped into a small compass, so that it may be transported with ease from place to place as necessity requires, all of which will now appear, reference being made to the accompanying drawing, in which the
30 figure shows a perspective view of my invention.

Let A A represent two pieces of wood, iron, or other material lying upon the ground, their inner sides being provided with staples *a a*, in
35 which diagonal braces *b b* hook, thus holding the two bed-pieces A A together and preventing them from separating. Into the center of the bed-pieces A A are fitted, in any suitable manner—as by mortise and tenon—the upright
40 supports B B, and these are braced on the sides by rods *c c*, hooked into them and into the bed-pieces, as shown. By these side braces the supports B B are held firmly in an upright position. They are further and securely braced
45 by the rigid bar C, extending between them and secured to them in any suitable way, as by hooks and staples, as shown. The tops of the supports B B are provided with loosely-hung rings D D.

50 Let E represent a hammock, made of any suitable material—canvas, leather, cord, or

other substance. Its ends are provided with the supporting-cords *e e*, as is usual, the ends of which are secured to rings F F, which are themselves attached to the rings D D by means
55 of intermediate hooks, *d*, as shown. The hammock is thus stretched or swung upon the frame.

G G represent strips provided with hooks *g*, which extend across the head and foot of the
60 hammock and, hooking into the edges or sides thereof, keep the ends stretched. These pieces serve as head and foot boards, and may serve as bolsters to support pillows, &c.

H H represent curved or arched strips or
65 wire rods, the ends of which hook into or are secured to the edges of the hammock. These arch over the hammock, as shown, and there may be as many of them as desirable. They are intended to form a support for any kind of
70 covering found necessary to afford protection.

If in a country where insects abound and mosquitoes are troublesome, a light net or mosquito-bar with a fine mesh may be thrown over the arched rods, and thus protect the occupant
75 as he lies in the hammock. If for any reason—as during a rain-storm—greater protection is required, an oil-cloth or rubber blanket or some such article may be used; or when the rays of the sun pour down a shade of any kind can be
80 used.

Under the hammock are secured straps K K, having buckles *k*.

When the device is not in use the hammock is taken down and spread wide upon the ground,
85 its ends being folded in. The head and foot boards are taken off, and the arched strips also, and laid in the hammock. The brace C is removed and the other braces taken out, so that the uprights B B may be removed from the
90 bed-pieces A A. All are then laid in the hammock, the covering-cloth and all, and the whole rolled up, when the straps K K are drawn tight around it, and my device is ready to be easily
95 transported.

This invention is particularly useful for campers or those who make journeys in countries where the accommodations are few and far between. Wherever they may be, they can always set their hammock up. It is raised
100 sufficiently from the ground to prevent cold from dampness, and it is covered to protect them

from annoyance. It may be used as protection in a storm or a comfortable place in an overflowed district.

Having thus described my invention, what I
5 claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The combination and arrangement of the portable frame, consisting of the bed-pieces A A, braced as shown, the removable upright
10 supports B B, with their braces C and c c, and the hammock E, swung between the upright supports B B and provided with the arched strips or rods H H, substantially as and for the purpose herein described.

15 2. The combination and arrangement of the portable frame, consisting of the bed-pieces A A, braces b b, uprights B B, braces C and c c, the hammock E, swung between the uprights,

said hammock having the arched strips H H and provided with the end strips, G G, substantially as and for the purpose described. 20

3. The portable hammock and frame, consisting in the combination and arrangement of the bed-pieces A A, braced as shown, uprights B, with pieces C and c c, hammock E, hung
25 between the uprights, said hammock having the end strips, G G, and arch strips or rods H H, and provided with outside straps, K K, substantially as and for the purpose herein described.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand.

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