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## BABY WALKER.

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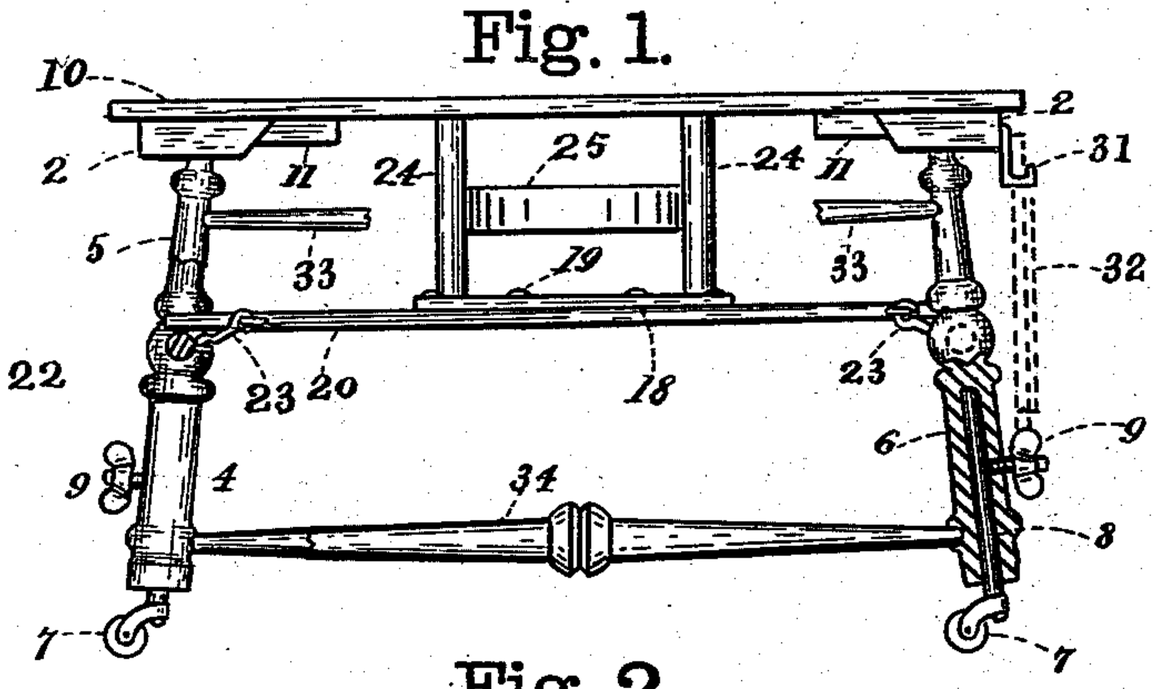
Fig. 1.

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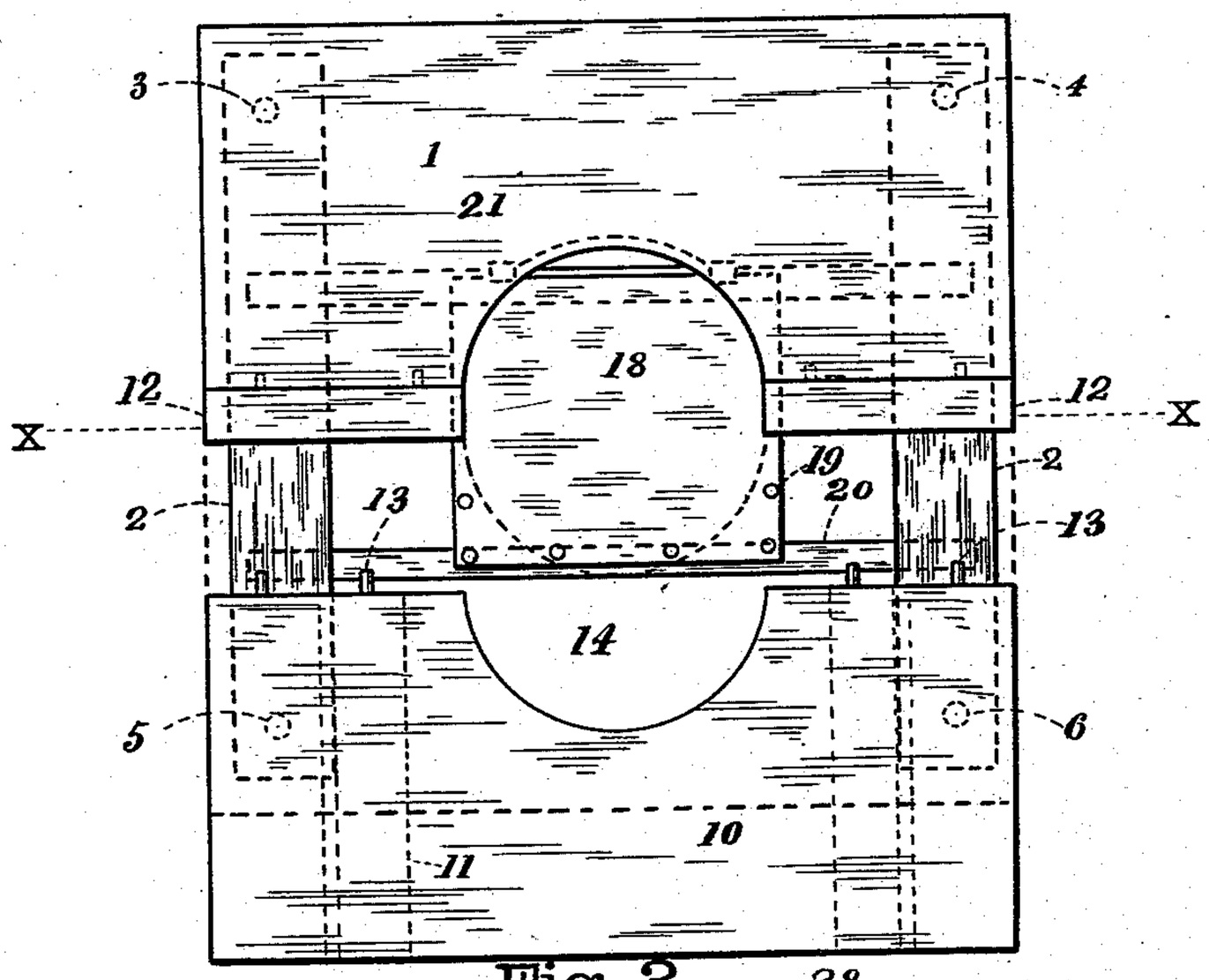


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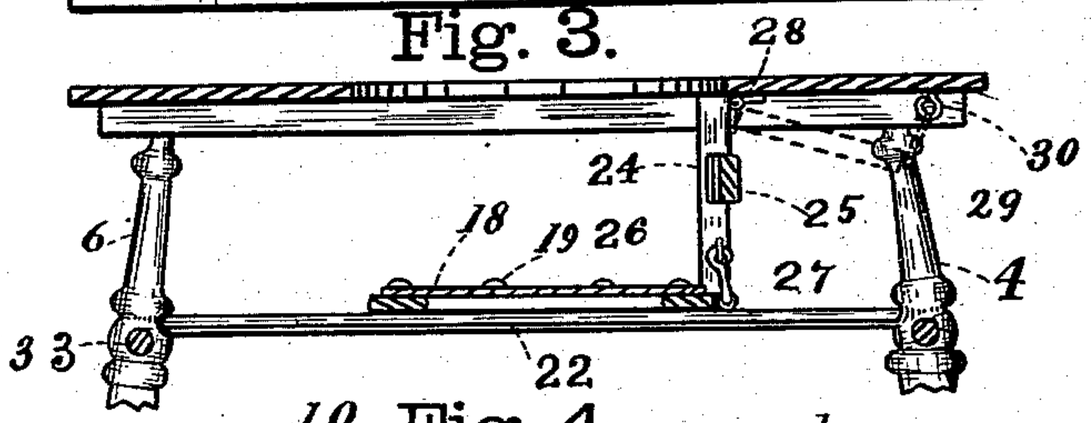


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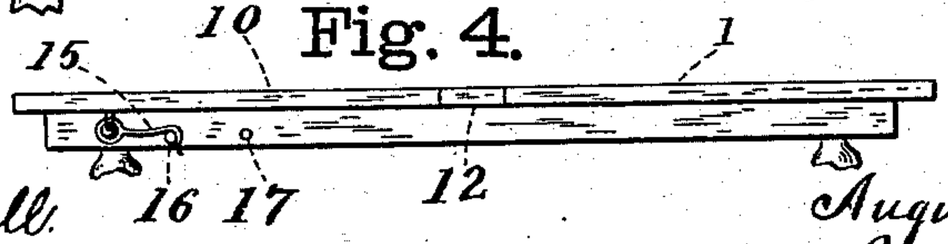


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## BABY-WALKER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, AUGUST HALSTENBACH, a subject of the Emperor of Germany, residing in Buffalo, in the county of Erie and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Baby-Walkers, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a convenient means for assisting a child to walk and amuse itself, and at the same time provide an easy seat for the child when required.

The object of my invention is to provide a convenient means for adapting the chair for the use of a large or small child; and it consists of a stationary top permanently secured to the frame, a movable portion for enlarging the opening in which the child is placed, and a means for filling the opening left by the sliding portion when used for enlarging the capacity of the chair, as will be fully and clearly hereinafter shown, described, and claimed, by reference to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a front elevation showing one front leg partly in section, to show more clearly the vertically-adjustable portions, while a large portion of the other front leg, and a part of the upper and lower front rounds are broken away so as to show more clearly the parts behind them. Fig. 2 is a plan or top view showing the horizontally-extensible front portion moved forward, and its closed or normal position by dotted lines. Fig. 3 represents a cross-section in line X X, Fig. 2; and Fig. 4 is a detached side elevation of the top and top frame piece.

In said drawings, 1 represents the stationary portion of the top of the chair. It is rigidly secured by nails or screws to the frame-pieces 2. The legs 3, 4, 5, and 6 are also secured in the usual way to the said frame-pieces. Each leg is provided with a caster-wheel, 7, secured to a long shank, 8, which projects up into the leg, (see leg 6, Fig. 1,) and is adapted to be adjusted vertically up or down, and secured at any desired point of adjustment by means of the thumb-screws 9, there being one for each leg, so that the height of the device can be regulated to answer for children of different sizes or ages.

10 represents the movable or sliding portion of the top. Its under part is provided with two transverse strips, 11, having one side beveled so as to rest against the beveled or inclined sides of the frame-pieces 2. (See Fig. 1.) They are also shown by the dotted lines 11 in Fig. 2. This construction it will be seen, keeps the sliding cover close to the frame-work, but at the same time allows it to be moved back and forth horizontally. The object in making this part movable is to adapt it to be opened when putting the child in or taking it out.

12 represents two narrow strips having pieces on one side and perforations on the other side, adapted to receive the pins 13 in the top 10. They are put in and taken out in the same way that the leaves are put in and taken out from the top of an ordinary extension-table. Their object is to provide the means for making the opening 14 larger or smaller. When they are in place and the portion 10 moved up to its proper position, it is secured by the hook 15, being hooked over the pin 16, and when the movable pieces 12 are taken out and the top parts, 1 and 10, moved close together, the hook 15 is hooked over the pin 17.

The seat consists of a thin flat board, 18, or other suitable material secured by screws or nails 19 to two strips, 20 and 21. (See Figs. 1 and 2.) It is made easily removable, being attached to the rounds 22 of the chair by means of the hooks 23. (See Fig. 1.) These hooks hold the front part of the seat. The rear portion is held down in place by the back frame of the chair 24 25, (shown in Figs. 1 and 3,) the lower end of which rests on the seat, as shown at 26 in Fig. 3, where it is secured by a hook, 27. This seat is hinged to the under part of the top portion, 1, by hinges 28, (shown in Fig. 3,) and when not required for use it is turned up, as shown by the dotted lines 29, and secured by a hook and staple, 30. When the seat is not required for use, it is taken out and hung up on

hooks 31, as shown by the dotted lines 32 in Fig. 1.

The operation will be readily understood from the foregoing description and drawings.

I claim as my invention—

A baby walker and chair combined, consisting of a chair provided with a stationary top permanently secured to the frame and legs, in combination with horizontally-movable top portion and two removable strips, 12, for adjusting the size of the opening 14, and hooks for holding the parts in place, for the purposes described.

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