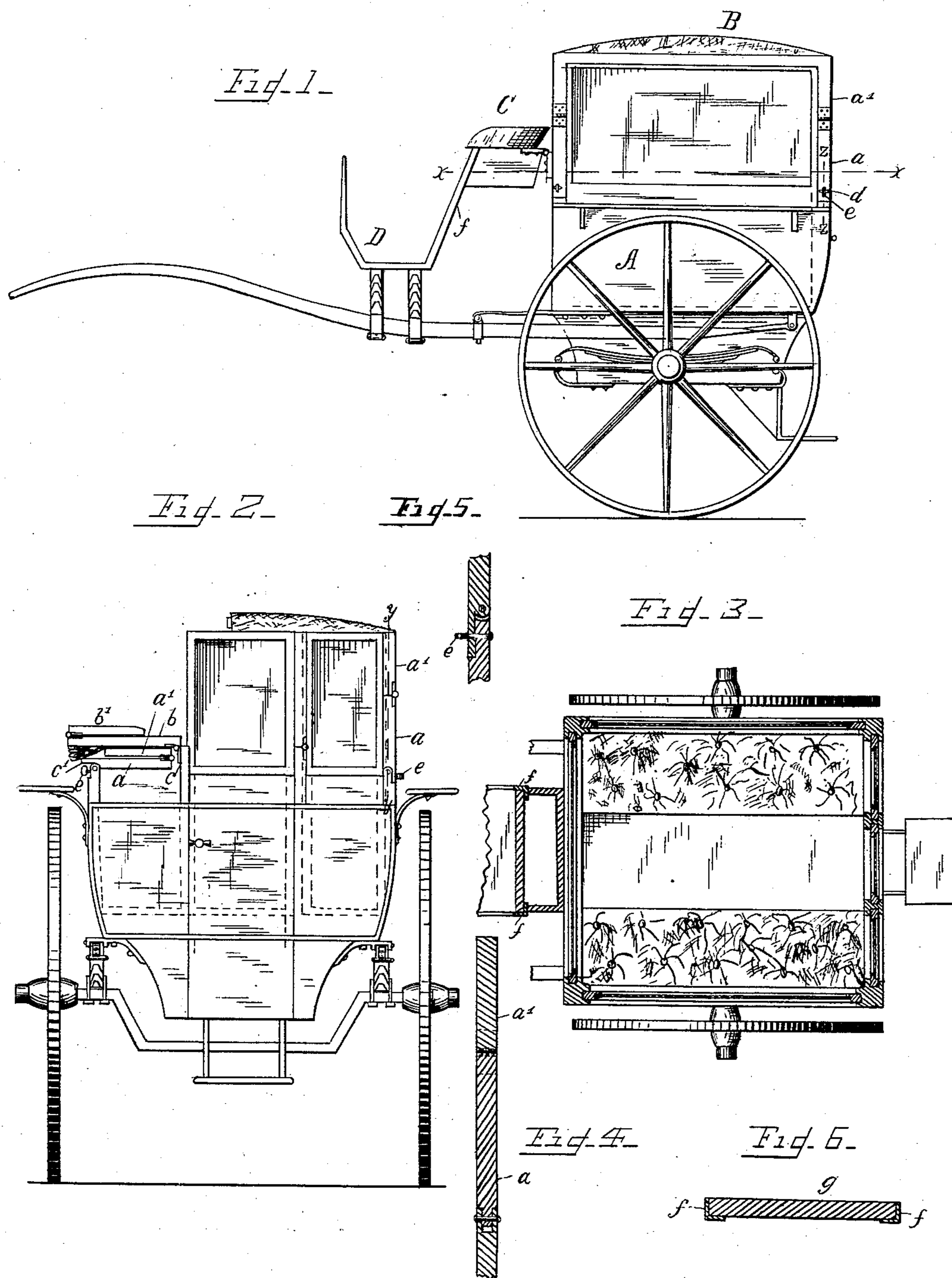


(No Model.)

F. BEX & E. F. HEUNSCH.  
TOP FOR TWO WHEELED VEHICLES.

No. 349,079.

Patented Sept. 14, 1886.



Witnesses.

G. A. Taubenschmidt  
B. E. Kelley

Inventors.

F. Bex and E. F. Heunsch  
per Wm. H. Bates  
their Attorney.

# UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE.

FREDERICK BEX AND EDMUND F. HEUNSCH, OF WASHINGTON, D. C.

## TOP FOR TWO-WHEELED VEHICLES.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 349,079, dated September 14, 1886.

Application filed December 26, 1885. Serial No. 186,721. (No model.)

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, FREDERICK BEX, a subject of the Queen of Great Britain, and EDMUND F. HEUNSCH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Washington, in the District of Columbia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Tops for Two-Wheeled Vehicles, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention has relation to improvements in folding-top vehicles; and it consists in the novel construction and arrangement of devices, as will be hereinafter explained, and particularly pointed out in the appended claim.

The annexed drawings, to which reference is made, fully illustrate this invention, in which Figure 1 represents a side view of a two-wheeled vehicle, showing the improvement. Fig. 2 is a rear view of the same. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal sectional view on the line *x x*, Fig. 1; and Figs. 4, 5, and 6 are sectional detail views on the lines *y y* and *z z*, Figs. 1 and 2.

Referring by letter to the accompanying drawings, A designates a two-wheel vehicle, and B the top thereof. This top is composed of hinged sections *a a'* *b* and the top portion, *b'*. The section *a* is hinged to the vehicle-body, as at *c*, and is cut away, as shown, to form a projection, *c'*, having a slot, *d*, to receive a turn-button, *e*, whereby this section is locked in a vertical position when the top is closed. It will be seen that the sections *a* and *a'*, which

are hinged to one another, fold inwardly when the top is lowered, as shown on the left-hand side of Fig. 2; and the sections *b* and *b'* fold outwardly and downwardly upon the sections *a a'*, thus bringing the sections within the wheels when the top is lowered.

C represents the driver's seat of the vehicle, and the same is hinged to the body, as shown, while the foot-rest is supported on front cross-springs, while the body is suitably supported on springs connected to the axle and shafts. This foot-rest, lettered D, consists of angular side irons, *f f*, which receive the cross-boards *g*, and are secured thereto by bolts or rivets.

Having described this invention, what is claimed, and desired to be secured by Letters Patent, is—

In a folding-top vehicle, the combination of the folding sections *a a' b b'*, hinged, as shown, whereby the top of the vehicle is raised or lowered at the sides from front to rear, the section *a*, having the projecting end provided with the slot, and the turn-button adapted to operate in connection therewith, the whole arranged as shown, and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

FREDERICK BEX.  
EDMUND F. HEUNSCH.

Witnesses:

WM. H. BATES,  
JOHN T. C. CLARK.