

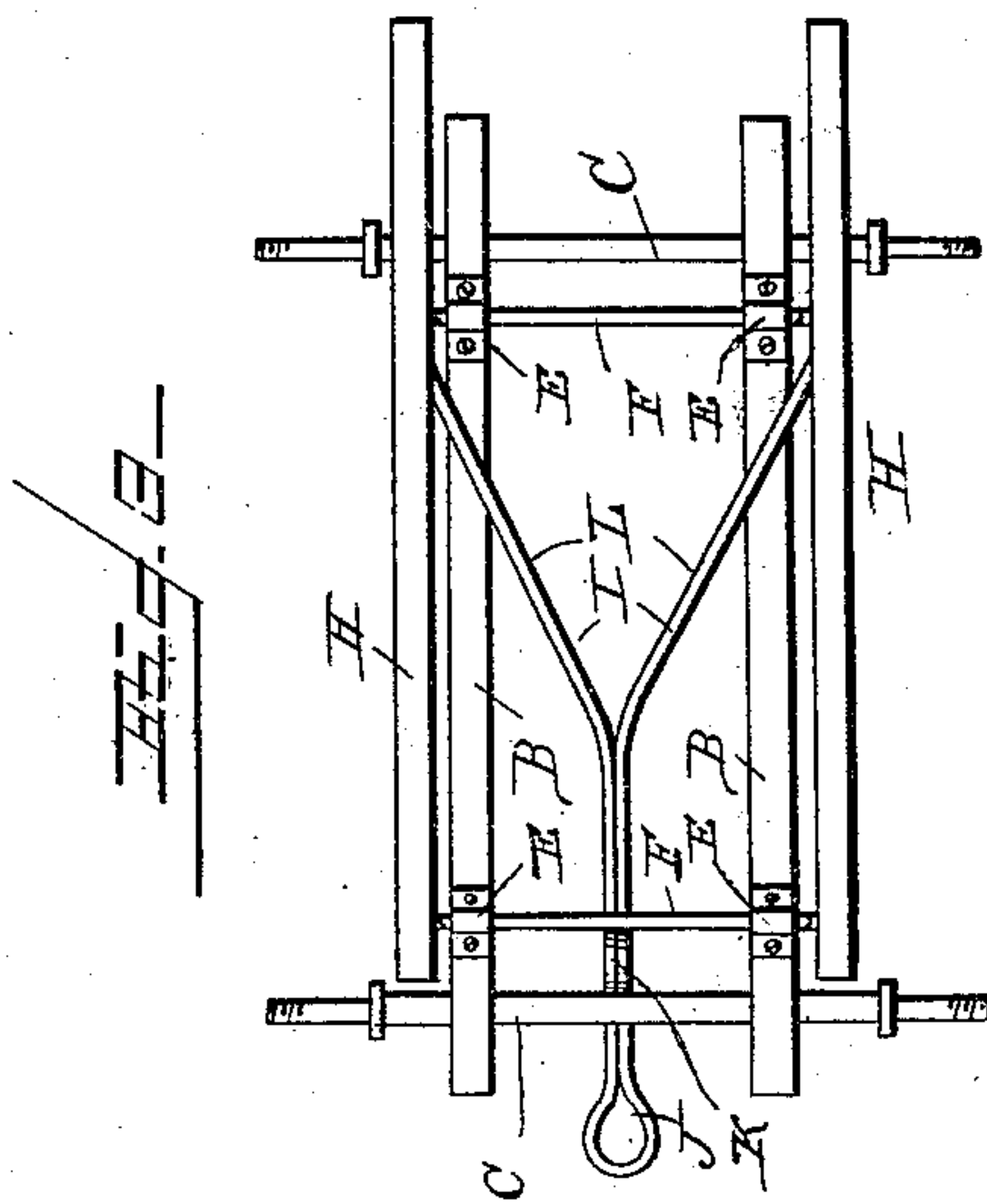
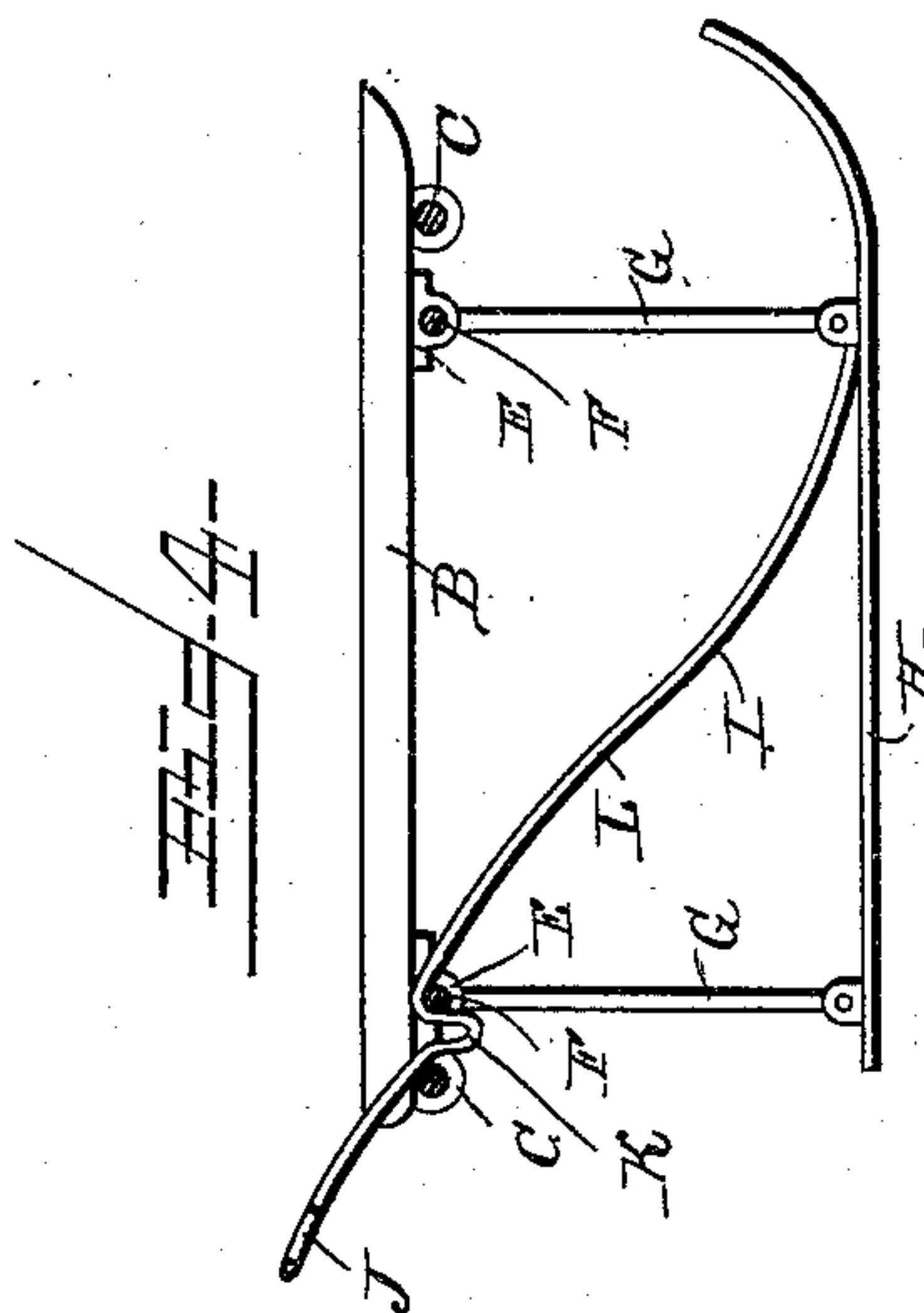
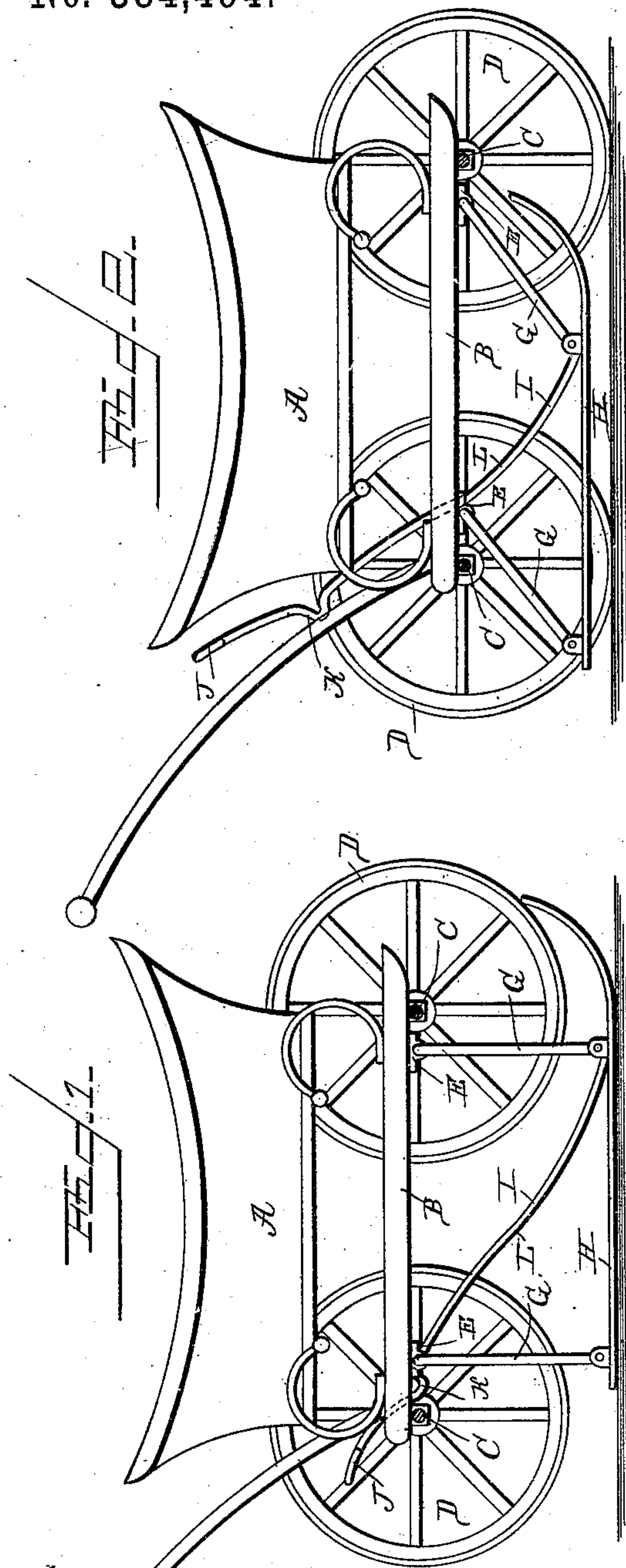
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE HENRY BAKER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Rome, in the county of Oneida and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Sleigh-Runner Attachments for Baby-Carriages, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an improved sleigh-runner attachment for baby-carriages; and it consists in certain novel features hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, which fully illustrate my invention, Figure 1 is a side elevation of a baby-carriage having my improved runner attached thereto. Fig. 2 is a similar view showing the runner raised. Fig. 3 is a bottom plan view, and Fig. 4 is a longitudinal section, of the runner removed from the baby-carriage.

Referring to the drawings by letter, A designates the body of a baby-carriage of the usual or any preferred construction. To the bottom of the body I secure the longitudinal bars B, in which the axles C are secured. The carriage-wheels D are mounted on the ends of the axle in the ordinary manner, as will be readily understood.

Bearing-boxes E are secured to the under sides of the beams B, and rock-shafts F are journaled in said boxes. These rock-shafts have the depending arms G at their ends, the lower ends of the arms being pivoted to the runners H, as shown.

I designate a spring-lever secured to the runners and extending upward and rearward therefrom. This lever in the form shown consists of a stout wire spring doubled on itself to form the handles J, then bent to form the offset K, and then carried downward in diverging lines, forming the arms L, the lower ends of which are secured to the runners, as shown.

In practice my runner attachment is designed to be used alternately with the wheels to support the carriage. When the ground is covered with snow, the spring-lever is pushed downward, thereby throwing the runners below the wheels, the offset K being forced into

the space between the rear axle and the rear rock-shaft and preventing movement of the runners by contacting with the said rear axle and rock-shaft. When it is desired to raise the runners and have the carriage move upon the wheels, the lever is drawn up so as to release the offset from engagement between the rear axle and the rear rock-shaft and engage it over the rear axle. The runners are thus raised above the lower edges of the wheels and the carriage supported thereon.

It will thus be seen that I have provided a very simple device by which the carriage can be instantly converted into a sled, or vice versa, according to circumstances and the desires of the owner.

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

1. The combination, with the baby-carriage, of the swinging runners hung on the under side of the carriage, and a lever connected to the runners to raise and lower the same, and having an offset adapted to engage the rear axle of the carriage to lock the runners in their lowered positions, as set forth.

2. The combination of the carriage, the swinging runners hung on the under side of the carriage, and the lever having the downwardly-diverging arms secured at their lower ends to the runners and provided with a locking-offset, as set forth.

3. The combination of the carriage, the longitudinal beams B, secured to the bottom thereof, the rock-shaft journaled in bearings on said beams and having the integral depending arms at its ends, runners pivoted to the lower ends of said arms, and the lever secured to the runners projecting up in rear of the carriage and having a locking-offset, as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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