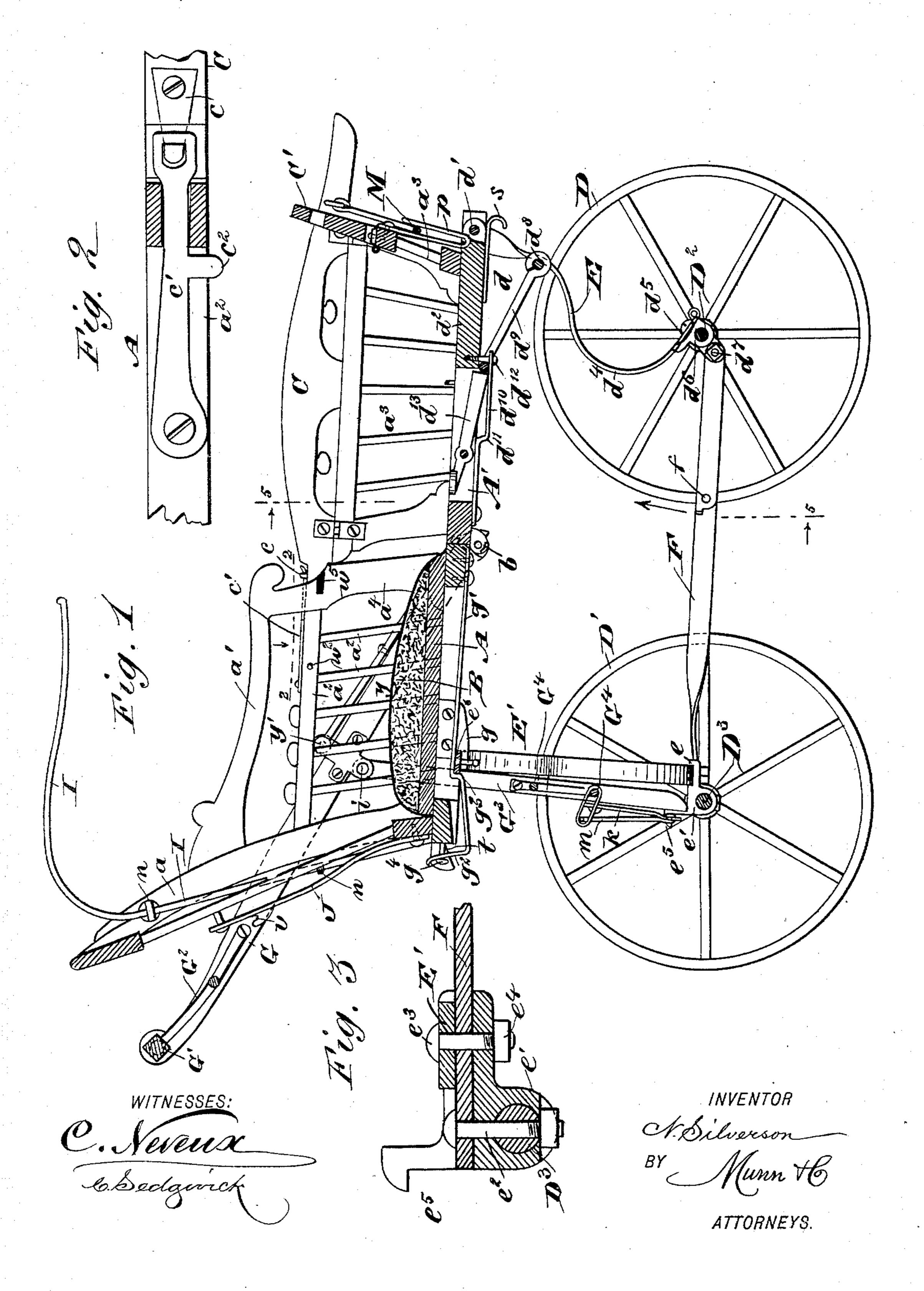
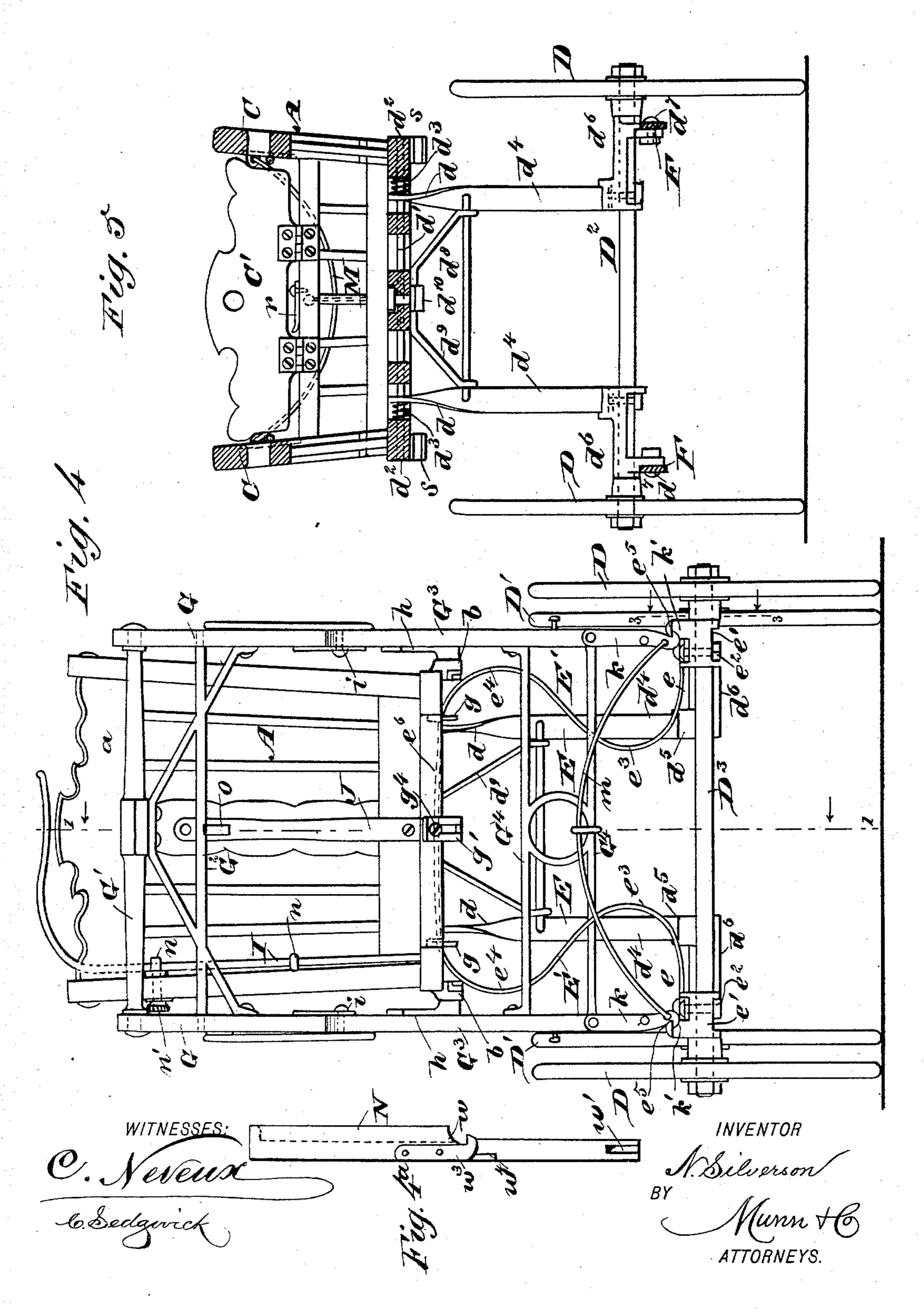
CONVERTIBLE CARRIAGE, CHAIR, OR ROCKER.

No. 485,991.



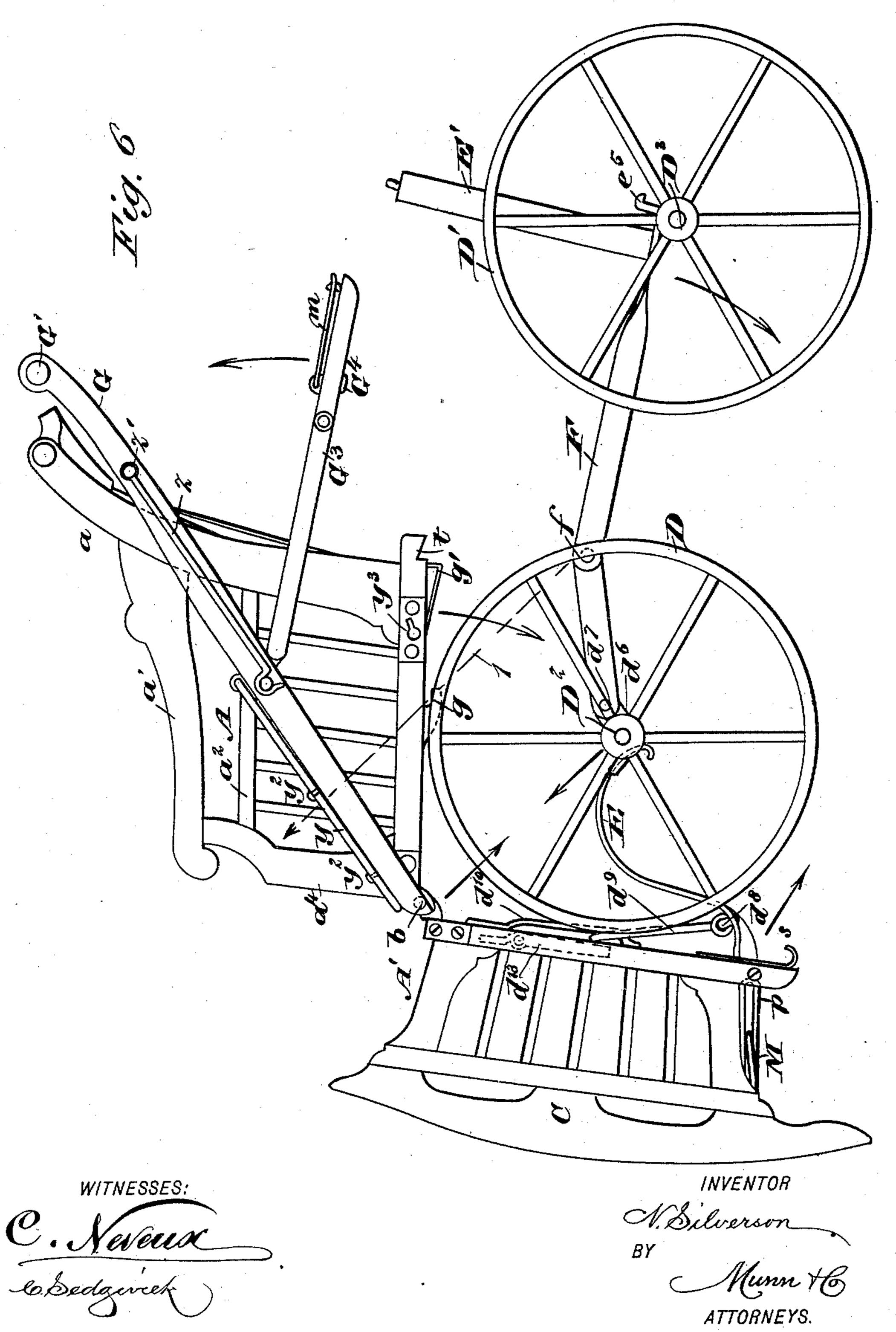
CONVERTIBLE CARRIAGE, CHAIR, OR ROCKER.

No. 485,991.



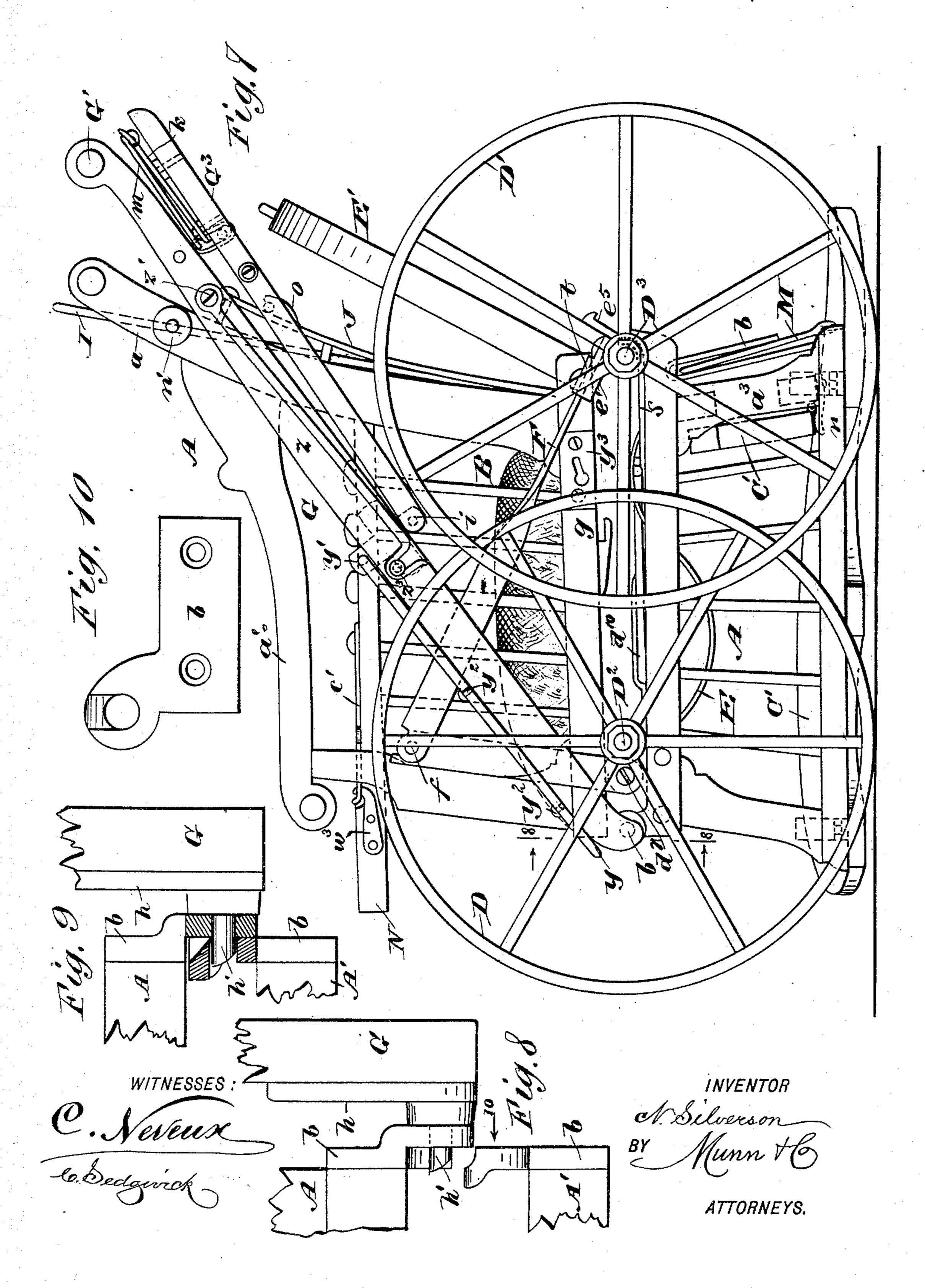
CONVERTIBLE CARRIAGE, CHAIR, OR ROCKER.

No. 485,991.



CONVERTIBLE CARRIAGE, CHAIR, OR ROCKER.

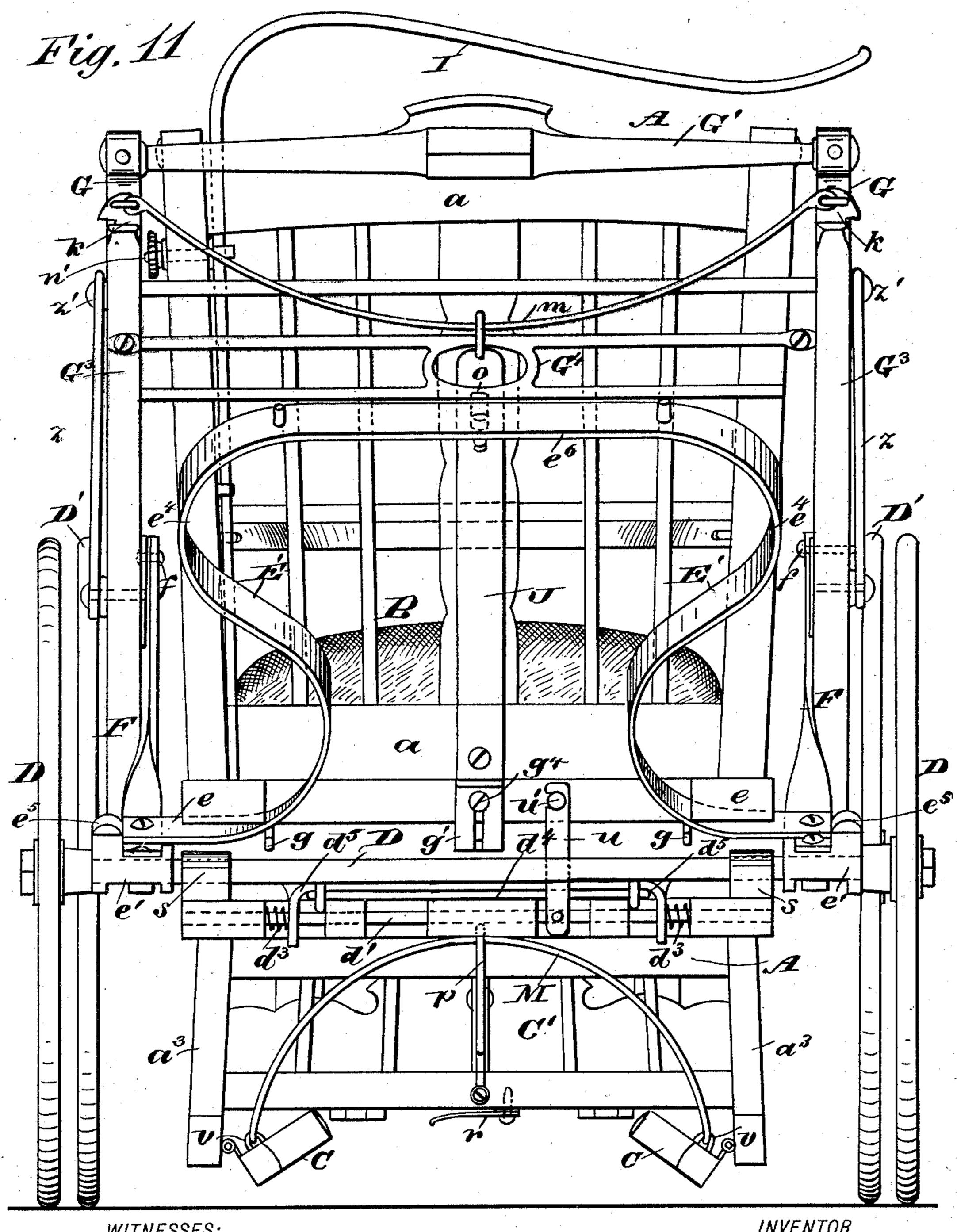
No. 485,991.



CONVERTIBLE CARRIAGE, CHAIR, OR ROCKER.

No. 485,991.

Patented Nov. 8, 1892.



WITNESSES:

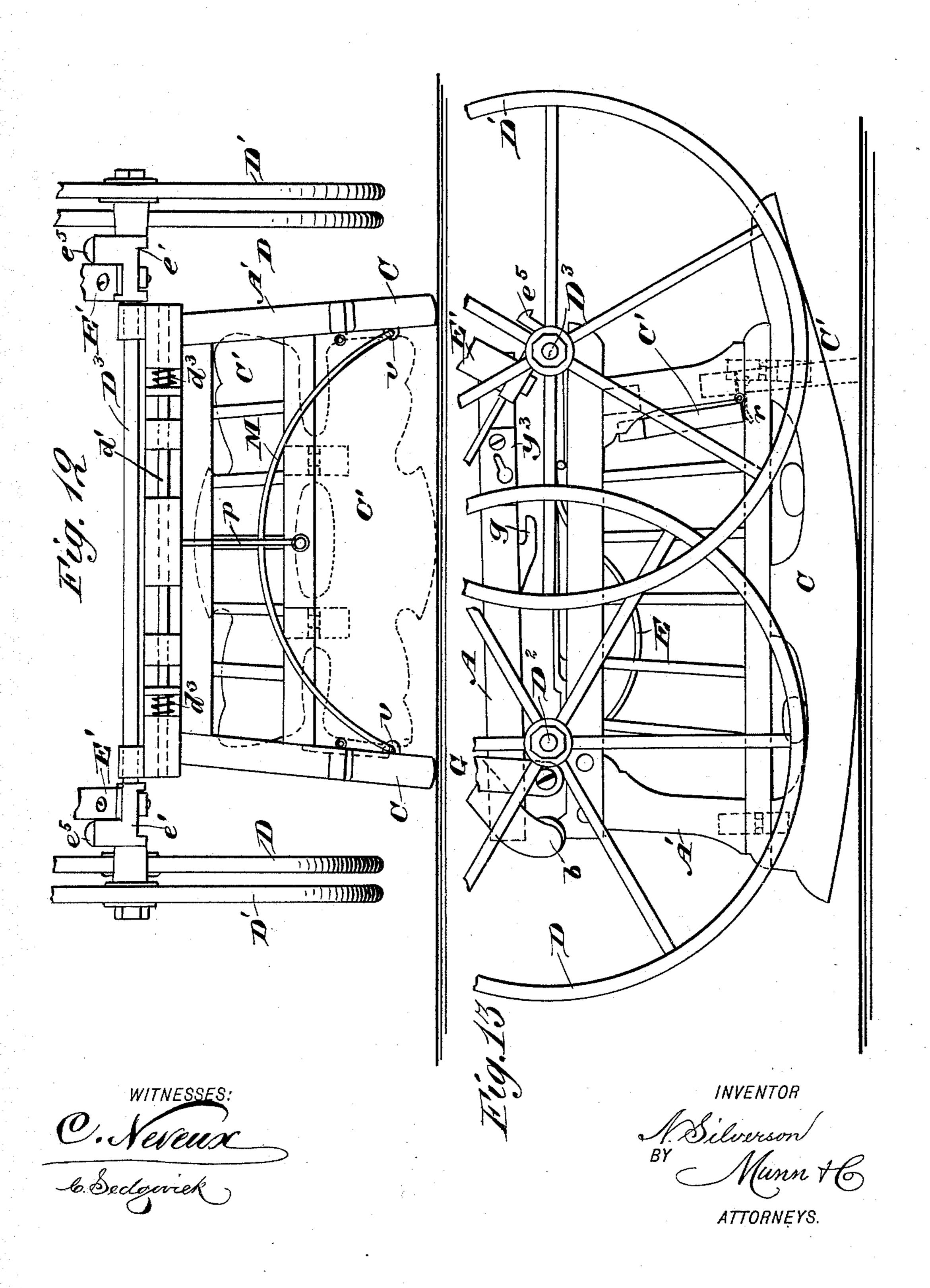
INVENTOR

N. Silverson

BY

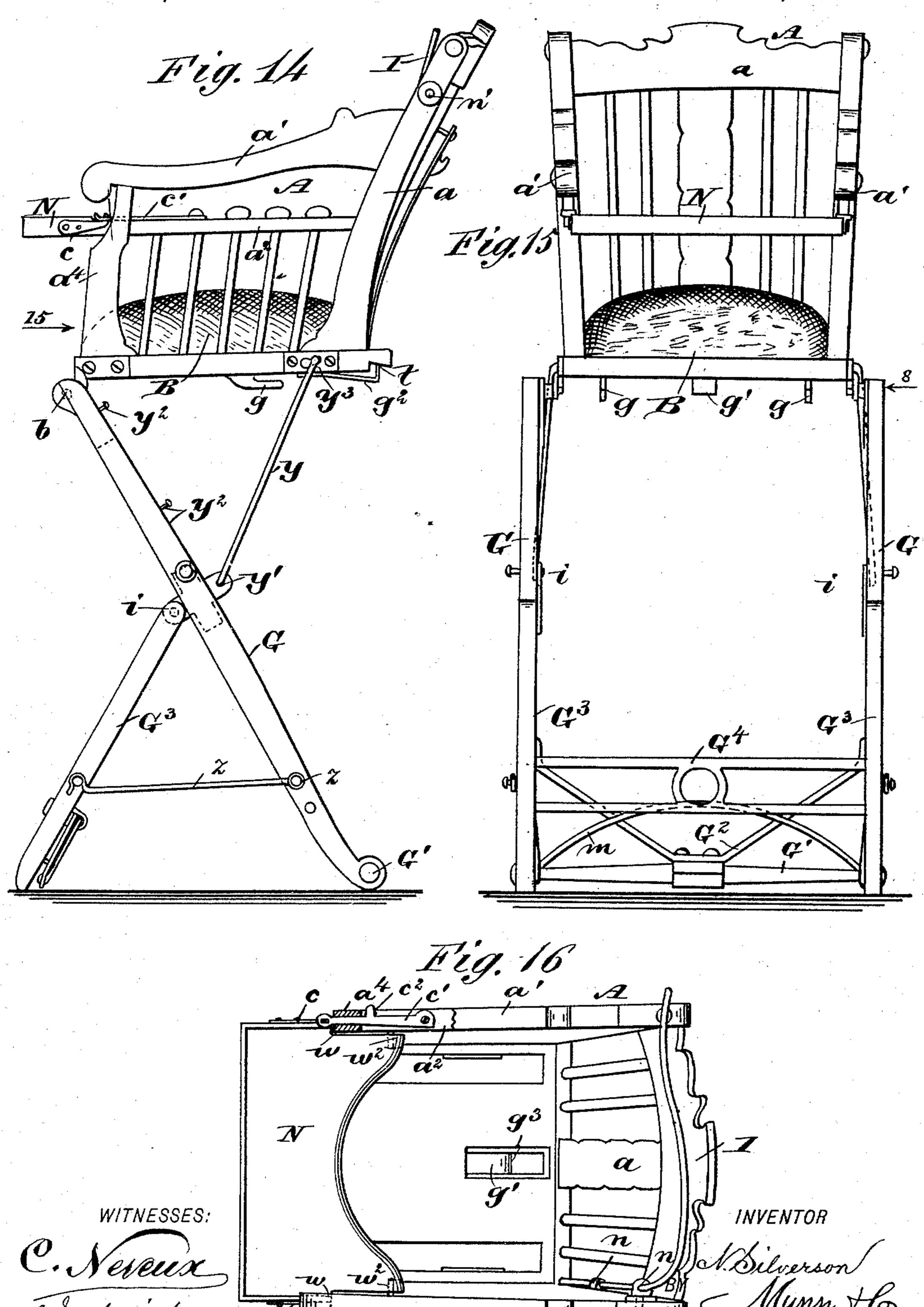
CONVERTIBLE CARRIAGE, CHAIR, OR ROCKER.

No. 485,991.



CONVERTIBLE CARRIAGE, CHAIR, OR ROCKER.

No. 485,991.



United States Patent Office.

NATHAN SILVERSON, OF NEW YORK, N. Y.

CONVERTIBLE CARRIAGE, CHAIR, OR ROCKER.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 485,991, dated November 8, 1892.

Application filed June 21, 1892. Serial No. 437,454. (No model.)

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, NATHAN SILVERSON, of New York city, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and useful 5 Convertible Carriage, Chair, and Rocker, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of this invention is to produce a child's carriage that is convertible, without in implements, into a rolling chair, a rocking-chair, a stationary chair, and a child's high chair.

To this end my invention consists in the peculiar construction and combination of parts, as is hereinafter described and claimed.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views.

Figure 1 is a side view in section of the device arranged to form a child's carriage, the line of section being shown at 1 1 in Fig. 4. Fig. 2 is an enlarged broken plan view of a detail of construction taken on the line 2 2 25 in Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is an enlarged broken vertical section of parts, taken on the line 33 in Fig. 4. Fig. 4 is a rear end view of the device, with parts assembled to produce a springcarriage. Fig. 4^a is an enlarged side view, de-30 tached, of an attachable table-leaf that is part of the device. Fig. 5 is a transverse sectional view of the parts arranged as a carriage, taken on the line 5 5 in Fig. 1. Fig. 6 is a diagrammatic side view of the component 35 parts of the device, indicating by arrows the direction of movements given to said parts while changing their relative positions, so as to convert the carriage shown in Figs. 1, 4, and 5 into a rolling chair or rocker. Fig. 7 is 40 a side view of the composite device, with parts arranged to produce a rolling chair. Fig. 8 is an enlarged detached plan view of one of a pair of hinge-joint connections on broken portions of parts therewith connected, the joint-sec-45 tions being separated from each other, the location of said hinge-joint being indicated by the line 8 8 and adjacent arrows in Fig. 7. Fig. 9 is a partly-sectional view of the joint connection shown in Fig. 8, on parts shown so broken that are connected by the joint-leaves, which latter are in hinged connection with

each other. Fig. 10 is a detached side view of one of the leaves of the hinge shown in Figs. 8 and 9, taken opposite the arrow 10 in Fig. 8. Fig. 11 is a rear end view of the de- 55 vice, with parts assembled to form a rolling chair, as shown in Fig. 7. Fig. 12 is a rear view broken away above of the lower portions. of parts assembled to form a rolling chair or rocker, showing these parts adjusted to pro- 60 duce a rocking-chair by full lines and by dotted lines arranged to lock the rockers and prevent an oscillation of the chair. Fig. 13 is a side view of the lower portions of the rocking-chair details represented in Fig. 12 65 and wheels thereon shown broken and elevated, so as to permit the rockers to operate, a rocker-check being shown by dotted lines adjusted to stop the chair from rocking. Fig. 14 is a side view of portions of the composite 70 chair and carriage arranged to provide a child's high chair. Fig. 15 is a front view of parts shown in Fig. 14 adjusted to produce a high chair, taken opposite the arrow15 in said figure; and Fig. 16 is a plan view of the high 75 chair shown in Figs. 14 and 15.

Referring to the views shown in Figs. 1, 4, and 5, wherein a child's carriage is represented as produced by an arrangement of parts of the composite carriage and chairs, the body 80 of the carriage consists of two portions A A', the first named forming the rearward part of the vehicle-body, having a back piece a and arms a', together with side railing a^2 , that conjunctively with a cushion B produce a 85 comfortable seat portion for the vehicle. At b the front part A' of the carriage-body is hinged to the portion A, which joint will be further described, and from said hinges, that are essentially rule-jointed, the front section 90 A' of the body extends aligned on the bottom and sides with the part A, the hinges b being adapted to flex upwardly, and when adjusted as shown in Figs. 1 and 9, where they are completely opened, serve to maintain the 95 bottom walls of the body-sections level when weight is imposed upon said walls. The bodysection A' is preferably provided with side and front railings a^3 to correspond in style with the rearward portion A of the body, and 100 on the side portions pieces C are hinged that

increase the height of these railed sides, the

upper edges of the attached parts C being curved, as represented in Fig. 1, for a use

that will appear.

Upon the front wall of the body portion A' 5 a piece C' is hinged, which when turned upwardly becomes a part of said wall and affords an ornamental finish therefor, the portion C' being adapted to fold inwardly and

downwardly.

At the rear ends of each of the pieces C latch-hook devices of similar form are provided, which are shown clearly in Fig. 2, and consists, essentially, of a hook-plate c, affixed on the hinged piece C and adapted to receive 15 the perforated end portion of the latch-plate c', which latter is attached upon the railing a^2 of the body-section A, so as to have a vertical spring movement and interlock with the hook-plate when the bottoms of the body-sec-20 tions A A' are aligned, whereby these latching devices detachably retain the pieces C upright, and, furthermore, serve to lock the two body-sections in alignment. The latchplates c' each have a lateral finger-piece c^2 , 25 integrally projected from the outer edge to afford means for convenient manipulation of the latch-plates when their connection with the hook-plates c is to be released by an up-

ward pull of the plates. The vertical body A A' is supported upon the wheels D D' and axles D2 D3 by platesprings E E', which are peculiarly bent to afford elasticity and to allow them to be properly disposed when not in use as springs. 35 The front pair of plate-springs E are alike in form and are given a quarter-twist at d, so that the perforated upper end portions of these springs may be strung upon a trans-

verse rod d', which is affixed at each end in 40 the side sills d^2 of the body-section A. Springwashers d^3 , also placed on the rod, have contact with these sills and with the springs, so as to space the latter from the sills, as shown in Fig. 5. The portions d^4 of springs E are 45 by the quarter-bends d so disposed that their

sides will lie crosswise of the vehicle. As shown in Fig. 1, the spring portions d^4 are recurved, so as to project their bow portions rearwardly and the lower end portions d^5 for-50 wardly, these ends being secured upon the sleeve-bearings d^6 , that are mounted upon and

affixed to the front axle D2. (See Fig. 5.) The spring E' is formed of a flat plate that is affixed at the ends e upon bracket-blocks e', $_{55}$ which are each secured upon the rear axle D^{3} by a bolt e2, that passes through the block

and axle, as shown in Figs. 3 and 4. The portions e³ of the rear spring E' are curved toward each other and thence upwardly and 60 outwardly to e^4 , where there are bows formed

that above integrally join a horizontal portion e^6 , thus producing two oppositely-bent $ar{\mathbf{S}}$ -like springs from one flat strip of elastic metal. Two similar reach-bars F are provided for |

65 connection of the front and rear axles together, each bar being composed of two pieces

that are each rule-jointed at f, so as to unite the parts and permit their flexure in an upward direction, as indicated by an arrow in Figs. 1 and 6, which adjustment will be fur- 70. ther explained. The portions of the reachbars F that project rearwardly from the joints f are longer than the parts which extend forwardly of said rule-joints, the rear ends of these composite bars having a secure connec- 75 tion with the bracket-blocks e', produced by a bolt e³ and nut e⁴ for each bar end, which latter are preferably inserted between the bracket-blocks and spring ends e, as represented in Fig. 3. There is a loose connection 80 afforded between the front ends of the reachbars F and the sleeves d^6 by bolts d^7 , that pass through holes in the bars and mating holes in depending lugs on the sleeves, so that a free vibration of the bars F may be effected 85 when they are flexed at the joints f. The front plate-springs E are held spaced apart above by a brace-rod d^8 , that has its ends secured to these springs below and near to the twists d in the latter.

Upon the brace-rod d^8 a loop-brace d^9 is loosely secured by an engagement therewith of the ring-eyes formed on its end portions, the bow portion of the loop-brace having a sliding engagement with a guard-plate d^{10} , 95 that extends rearwardly and longitudinally on the lower side of the bottom wall on bodysection A'. Said guard-plate having an offset bend in it at d^{11} is thus sufficiently removed from the bottom wall to permit a reciproca- 100 tion of the loop-brace between, the latter being prevented from sliding off of the guardplate by a check-screw d^{12} . The bottom wall of the front body-section A' is longitudinally slotted above the guard-plate d^{10} , and in this 105 slot a locking-dog d^{13} is pivoted, one end of which is adapted to drop by gravity and hold the bow of the loop-brace d^9 against the check screw-bolt d^{12} , thereby affording a stiffened connection of parts between the springs E 110 and body-section A', as shown in Fig. 1.

A removable connection of the rear spring E' with the body-section A is effected by provision of two hook-plates g of like form that are affixed to the inner side edges of the bot- 115 tom wall-frame on said section and depend below far enough to admit the top level portion e⁵ of the spring E' between the rearwardly-extending fingers of the hook-plates and a spring latch-bar g'. This bar g' is secured on 120 the lower surface of the bottom wall of the body-section forwardly, its main portion being sufficiently elastic to permit it to be lifted at the rear end g^2 , so as to release the depending shoulder g^3 on it from locked con- 125 tact with the rear edge of the spring E', such an engagement of parts being automatically effected when this spring E' is made to assume an upright position. The spring latch-bar g'has its end portion g^2 bent upwardly where 130 it projects behind the rear wall of the bodysection A, and in the upright part a longitudi-

nal slot is formed, through which a stay-bolt g^4 is loosely inserted, and the bolt being driven or screwed into the lower edge portion of the rear wall of the body-section A serves to prevent the latch-bar from lateral displacement.

5 vent the latch-bar from lateral displacement. The wheeled vehicle that has been described has two similar pusher-bars G provided for its propulsion from the rear, which bars are properly spaced apart at their rear ends by a to transverse handle-bar G' and stay-bars G2, the latter being formed of metal, by preference, and arched, so as to be light and strong, having a secure engagement with the pusherbars at two points on each bar and with the 15 handle-bar near its transverse center, as shown in Fig. 4. The forward ends of the pusher-bars G are each provided with a bracket-plate h of like form, (see Figs. 7, 8, and 9,) which plates lie on the inner sides of 20 the bars, and from each plate a pintle-bolt h'integrally projects. The rule-joint hinges b, that join the two body-sections A A', are not permanently secured together, but are each perforated where their mating leaves lap to 25 loosely receive the pintle-bolt h', that is of a proper length to pass nearly through the lapped hinge-leaves, and thus connect them as a hinge. It will be seen that the interlocking connection of the pintle-bolt h' with the 30 body-hinges b will loosely secure the lower ends of the pusher-bars G upon the sides of the wheeled vehicle shown in Figs. 1 and 4, and to maintain said bars upwardly inclined from these points of connection a prop-bar G3 is fur-35 nished for each pusher-bar. The prop-bars are each secured by a hinge-joint i to its respective pusher-bar and from these points of connection at the top ends project downwardly of a length that will locate their lower 40 ends near to and above the bracket-boxes e' on the rear axle D^3 .

A preferred means for detachably connecting the lower end portions of the prop-bars G³ with each other consists of the parallel spacing-bars G⁴, that are of a suitable length to retain the prop-bars parallel, and are thereto secured by their ends, an integral ringpiece at their centers holding the spacingbars together, as indicated in Fig. 4.

Upon the rear sides of the prop-bars G³ a pendent latch hook k is pivoted on each bar by its upper end, the lower ends of the pieces k having a hook k' formed on each by notching their outer edges, which hooks catch be-55 low an ear e⁵, formed on the rear side of each bracket-box e', this latching action being enforced by the bow-spring m, that has its ends loosely secured to the lower ends of the latchhooks k and its upwardly-arched middle por-60 tion shackled to the lower spacing-bar G4. It will be seen that an upward-springing movement of the piece m will simultaneously release both of the latch-plates and allow the pusher-bars G to be swung upwardly, so as 65 to remove the prop-bars' lower ends from their location behind the upwardly-extending bodies of the ears e^5 , that, together with the latch-plates, have held these ends of the propbars secured.

If desired, there may be an umbrella-sup- 70 porting standard I furnished, which is retained in sliding connection with the perforated lugs n, that project from the inner surface of the side wall of the body-section A near the rear wall a of the same, said standard being bent so as to project laterally at its upper end, whereon a sunshade or umbrellalike screen (not shown) may be secured in the usual way. The vertical adjustment of the standard is effected by a manipulation of 80 the clamping thumb-nut n', which controls the bight of the top lug n on the body of the piece I.

It will be seen in Figs. 4 and 11 that the length of the front axle is less than that of 85 the rear axle D³, so that a flexure of the reachbars F of sufficient degree will locate the front wheels D partly between the rear wheels D′, which adjustment of parts is necessary when the component elements of the wheeled vehicle shown in Figs. 1, 4, and 5 are to be arranged so as to form a rolling chair that in completed condition is shown in Figs. 7 and 11, which respectively represent a side and rear end view of said structure.

When it is desired to transform the several parts of the spring-carriage mentioned, into a compact rolling chair, the first step is to release the prop-bars G³ from the bracketblocks e', which can be done by manipulating roo the bow-spring m, as before explained. The prop-bars and attachments carried by them are now folded upwardly, so as to locate said bars below and nearly in contact with the pusher-bars G. (See Fig. 7.) Such a relative 105 location has been given to the upper spacingbar G4 that when upwardly folded it will interlock with a catch-lug o, which projects at a proper point from the rear side of the upright detent-spring J, that is attached at its 110 lower end upon the rear wall a of the bodysection A, whereby the pusher-bars G will be sustained by their contact with the folded prop-bars and be adapted for service to propel the rolling chair when their handle-bar is 115 pushed or pulled, as may be necessary. The next step consists in the release of the spring E' from the hook-plates g, which can be produced by a depression of the spring latch-bar g' and a forward movement of the body AA', 120 and as it is necessary that the body-sections should flex at the joints b a release of the latch-plates c' is produced by raising them off of the hook-plates c.

In Fig. 6 the relative movements of parts are shown that are necessary to assemble them so as to produce the rolling chair, and it will be noticed that the locking-dog d^{13} has been vibrated upwardly, so as to release the bow portion of the loop-brace d^{9} and thus permit 130 the latter to slide on the guard-plate d^{10} , such a movement being essential to effect the easy

adjustment of parts for the formation of the

chair mentioned in this paragraph.

The reach-bars F are flexed at their joints f in the direction of arrow l, and simultane-5 ously the plate-springs E are rocked toward the front body-section A', entering slots in its bottom wall as this section is folded completely below the other section A, which operation will dispose the elements comprising to the structure so as to produce the shape shown in Figs. 7 and 11, with the exception that to throw the weight of the chair upon the wheels DD' the pieces C must be folded toward each other and held from contact with the floor on 15 which the wheels rest and the front end piece C' similarly adjusted. To this end there is an arched spring M loosely secured upon the normally-inner sides of the pieces C, that now become rockers, by its ends, as at v, the 20 center bowed portion of the spring having a loose contact with the spaced parallel members of a looped guide-piece p, between which the spring can move, the lower end of one member of said guide-piece being attached 25 upon the front wall of the body-piece A', that now constitutes the base of the chair.

Upon the lower edge of the upwardly-folded piece C', as shown in Fig. 7, a turn-button r is made to bear by swinging its free end forwardly, thereby preventing this piece from

falling accidentally.

On the sills of the body-section A' there are two similar hooks s secured, which hooks are brought into locking contact with the rear side of the rear axle D³ when the parts become a rolling chair or rocker, and, coacting with said hooks, the notched places t on the lower edges of the rear ends of the body-section A engage the adjacent edge on the rear spring E', that extends inclined upwardly behind the chair-seat, whereby said seat is rendered firm at the rear edge and strain is obviated on the hinges b, while the axle D³ is locked from forward or rearward movement.

locked from forward or rearward movement. A latch-hook u (see Fig. 11) is utilized to retain the parts A A', connected at their edges that are now rearward, said hook-piece being pivoted, preferably, on the rod d' and latching upon a stud u', projected from the 50 lower part of the seat portion A of the device. After the parts are arranged as shown and explained the rolling chair may be propelled from the rear, and is in effect a serviceable structure for the reception and transporta-55 tion of a child, and to prevent such an occupant from falling out of the same forwardly a table piece or leaf N is removably attached to the front of the arms a' where the pieces C had previously been secured. The detach-60 able leaf N is shown plainly in Figs. 4a and 16, comprising a level board or tablet scalloped inwardly on the edge that is placed toward the chair-back a and also reduced in width equally on each side edge about one-

65 half of the length from the inner corners to the outer edge, thereby producing shoulders

at w, which abut upon the uprights a^4 when the parts are placed together. There is a recess cut on each outer edge of the leaf N, extending from the inner corners toward the 70 front, as at w' in Fig. 4a, which recesses receive the pins w^2 , that project toward each other from the inner faces of the sides of the body-section A, that is now the seat portion of the chair. At an equal distance from the 75 front edge of the leaf N a hook-plate w^3 is secured on each side edge of said piece, which plates have their hooked ends located so as to interlock with the spring latch-plates c', and when so engaged retain the leaf in posi- 80 tion, the latter being further supported by the sliding connection of the similar tongues w^4 , formed on its side edges, near the shoulders w, with recesses w^5 , notched from the front faces of the uprights a^4 toward the back a in 85 the inner side faces of these uprights.

In order to convert the rolling chair into a rocking-chair, it is only necessary that the pieces C be turned down, so that that their longitudinally-curved edges may rest upon 90 the floor, as represented in Figs. 12 and 13, the spring M yielding to allow such an adjustment to be produced, and by its expansion afterward serving to retain these rocker-pieces in alignment with the sides of the body- 95 section A' that is now the base portion of the

chair-seat.

To prevent a rocking movement of the chair, if this is desired, the hinged piece C' is turned down so as to align with the end wall of the section A', whereon it is jointed, the vertical width of said piece adapting it to engage the floor when so adjusted and hold the chair-seat in a level position, as indicated by dotted lines in Fig. 13.

It is feasible to produce a child's high chair from the section A and some parts connected with it. To effect this transformation, the pintles h', Fig. 8, of the hinges b are withdrawn therefrom, which will release the seat- 110 section A, as well as the pusher-bars G and parts directly connected with the latter. The pintles h' are now inserted in the portions of the hinges b that are secured on the seat-section A, and by the resilience of the pusher- 115 bars G are held in loose connection therewith, said bars, which are to form two legs of the high chair, being swung into the position shown in Fig. 14. Upon the pusher-bars Ga prop-rod y is jointed to each bar oppositely 120 from the hinge-joints i, as shown at y', these prop-rods when not in service being retained in place on the edges of the prop-bars by their spring engagement with the pins y^2 , as shown in Fig. 7.

On the sides of the seat-sills at y^3 near the seat-back two skate lock-plates are secured, with which the laterally-bent upper ends of the prop-rods y are adapted to interlock removably, and thus provide a support for the 130 rear portion of the seat-section A.

At a suitable distance from the handle-bar

G', which now rests near the floor whereon the high chair stands, stretcher-rods z are pivotally secured, as at z', and such a proportion in length is thereto given that by hook-5 ing the hook-shaped ends z^3 on the other terminals of said stretcher-bars over pins that project from the sides of the prop-bars G³ the latter are held forwardly inclined, so as to provide two more legs for the high chair.

to It will be evident that the manipulation of the elementary features forming this composite device may be effected without the use of tools, so that a spring-carriage, rolling chair, rocking-chair, stationary chair, and 15 child's high chair may be quickly produced, as occasion may require.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters

Patent—

20 1. In a convertible carriage and chair, the combination, with two separably-hinged bodysections, one furnished with a back, of springs, axles, and flexing reach-bars, substantially as described.

25 2. In a convertible carriage and chair, the combination, with two separably-hinged bodysections, one having a seat-back and side arms, of two forward-bent springs, a single transversely-extending bent rear spring, two 30 axles, four wheels, two flexing reach-bars, and means to detachably secure the top of the rear spring to the rear body-section, substan-

tially as described.

3. In a convertible carriage and chair, the combination, with two hinged body-sections, one having a back and two arms, and pusherbars loosely connected with the hinges of the body-sections and joined by a handle-bar, of two front springs, a rear spring, two axles, 40 one longer than the other, and two upwardly-flexing reach-bars, substantially as described.

4. In a convertible carriage and chair, the combination, with two hinged body-sections, 45 one having a seat-back and two side arms and the other provided with hinged pieces on top of fixed sides, and latching devices between said hinged pieces and the arms of the seat-section, of two forward-bent plate-50 springs, one rear bent plate-spring fast by its ends on the rear axle, a rear axle, a front axle, wheels loose on each axle, and a latching device between the rear spring and the seatsection of the body, substantially as described.

55. In a convertible carriage and chair, the combination, with two body-sections hinged together below, one section provided with a back and two side arms, inwardly-folding hinged pieces on top edges of the other sec-60 tion, and a latching device between each folding piece and an arm of the seat-section, of two forward plate-springs bent rearwardly, one rear plate-spring wave-bent laterally, a latching device between this spring and the 65 seat-section, two axles, four wheels, and two upwardly-flexing reach-bars, substantially as

described.

6. In a convertible carriage and chair, the combination, with two body-sections hinged together below, the rear section having a back 7c and two side arms, inwardly-folding hinged pieces on top of the fixed sides of the front body-section, and a latching device between each folding piece and an arm of the seatsection, of two forward plate-springs curved 75 rearwardly and jointed to the front body-section, one rear plate-spring wave-bent laterally, a latching device between this spring and the seat-section, a rear axle, a front axle shorter than the rear axle, two loose wheels 80 on each axle, and a loop-brace pivoted on the front springs between and adapted to have locked engagement with the front body-section, substantially as described.

7. In a convertible carriage and chair, the 85 combination, with two body-sections hinged together below, springs, axles, wheels, and two upwardly-flexing reach-bars, of two pusherbars that have pintles on lower ends which form removable pivots for the hinges of the 90 body-sections, substantially as described.

8. In a convertible carriage and chair, the combination, with two body-sections hinged together below and latching devices at meeting ends above, springs, axles, wheels, and 95 two upwardly-flexing rule-jointed reach-bars, of two pusher-bars, pintle-bolts thereon that form pivots for the hinges of the body-sections, two prop-bars hinged to the pusher-bars, a transverse handle-bar between the pusher- 100 bars above, and a latching device adapted to hold the lower ends of the prop-bars connected to the rear axle, substantially as described.

9. In a convertible carriage and chair, the 105 combination, with two body-sections hinged together in sequence by meeting bottom portions, a back and two side arms on the rear or seat section, two inwardly-folding hinged pieces on top edges of fixed sides on the front 110 body-section, and a bow-spring forwardly and loosely connected to the sides of these folding pieces and adapted to retain them elevated or folded, and latching devices for the rear ends of the folding pieces adapted to 115 lock them elevated and connected to arms of the seat-section, of two plate-springs jointed above to the front end of the front body-section, a loop-brace therefor loose on a transverse brace-rod that is fast to these springs, 120 a latch-dog on the front body-section, an offset guide-plate below thereon, a rear platespring wave-bent laterally and fast at the ends on a rear axle, a latching device on the seat-section, which engages the top of the rear 125 spring, two axles, one longer than the other, four wheels, and two upwardly-flexing reachbars, substantially as described.

10. In a convertible carriage and chair, the combination, with two body-sections hinged 130 together in sequence, latching devices above adapted to lock these body-sections together, pusher-bars jointed at their front ends on the hinges of the body-sections, and prop-bars

therefor, of two front plate-springs quarter-twisted above and pivoted by top ends on the front of the leading body-section and secured below on the front axle, a rear plate-spring laterally wave-bent fast below on a rear axle and flat on top, and a latching device on the body adapted to interlock with said spring, a long rear axle, a front axle, wheels loosely secured thereon at the ends, and two reachbors, each formed of two pieces that are rule-jointed together and adapted to flex upwardly, substantially as described.

11. In a convertible carriage and chair, two parallel pusher-bars adapted to removably lock fast to hinge-joints of a two-part body, a hinged prop-bar for each pusher-bar, a latching device on the prop-bars that holds them fast to a rear axle, a transverse handle-bar between the pusher-bars, and brace-rods that engage the handle-bar and pusher-bars, sub-

stantially as described.

12. In a convertible carriage and chair, latching devices on one section of the two-part hinged body that detachably engage hookplates on the other section of said body, substantially as described.

13. In a convertible carriage and chair, a body composed of two sections hinged together in sequence and provided with latching devices that hold them from flexing, substan-

tially as described.

14. In a convertible carriage and chair, a two-part body hinged together in sequence and adapted to fold and form a chair-seat and lower frame or base therefor, substantially as described.

15. In a convertible carriage and chair, a two-part body hinged together in sequence, the rear section provided with a back and two arms, and the front section furnished with two hinged pieces longitudinally curved on free edges that become rockers when the body-sections are folded, substantially as described.

16. In a convertible carriage and chair, the combination of the carriage, the body of which is formed of two separably-connected sections, the rear section forming a seat or chair-body section, and the folding and removable running-gear, of a table-leaf adapted to engage the arms of a seat-section detachably, substantially as described.

stantially as described.

17. In a convertible carriage and chair, a two-part body hinged together in sequence, so as to fold with bottom walls together, axles and wheels therefor, and devices adapted to hold one body-section on the other body-section, producing a chair-seat and adapting the axles and wheels to sustain said seat for progressive movement, substantially as described.

two-part body hinged together in sequence, so as to fold and produce a chair-seat and its base, hinged rocker-pieces on one body-section that are part of its sides, a latching device there-

65 for, and a hinged front piece on this base or body-section that when folded downwardly

blocks the chair from rocking, substantially as described.

19. In a convertible carriage and chair, the combination, with the separable body-sec- 70 tions, the rear one of which is the chair-seat, the front and rear axles, and the springs connecting the axles and body-sections, of two reach-bars for the connection of front and rear axles, each rule-jointed and by up- 75 ward flexure adapted to reduce space between said axles, the forward axle having sleeves d^6 , to which the forward ends of the reach-bars are pivoted, and the rear axle having bracket-blocks e', to which the rear ends 80 of the reach-bars are bolted, substantially as described.

20. In a convertible carriage and chair, the combination, with the seat-section of a two-part vehicle-body, of two pusher-bars that 85 form legs for a high chair, a connecting handle-bar that serves to space the lower ends of said legs, two prop-bars hinged on edges of the pusher-bars forming two other legs, two brace-rods extending from the pusher-bars to 90 interlock with the sides of the seat-section at its rear, and two stretcher-bars extending between the pusher-bars and prop-bars below,

substantially as described.

21. In a convertible carriage and chair, the 95 combination, with a seat-section having a back and two side arms that are grooved on inner side faces and have opposite pins projected from said faces aligned with the grooves, of a table-leaf that will slide between the side arms and engage tongues and grooves on its edges with the grooves and pins on said arms, and spring latching devices, which are adapted to detachably lock the table-leaf on the seat-section, substantially as 105 described.

22. In a convertible carriage and chair, the combination, with a front body-section that is adapted to fold below a rear body-section and a latch-hook adapted to hold these body-sections together at their free edges rearwardly of the rear body-section, of two hinged side pieces on the front section that when it is folded become rockers, a bow-spring loosely engaging with these rockers at its ends, and 115 a hook-bent guide-rod that is secured by one end on the front body-section and loosely engages the bow-spring between its ends, substantially as described.

23. In a convertible carriage and chair, the 120 combination, with a front body-section longitudinally slotted in its bottom wall, a guideplate below said slot, and a locking-dog pivoted therein, of two plate-springs fixed below on a front axle and pivoted above to the 125 front body-section, a transverse brace-rod secured by its ends to the plate-springs near the body-section, and a loop-brace loosely secured by its ends on the brace-rod adapted to slide on the guide-plate and be locked be-130 tween the dog and a stud depending from the body-section, substantially as described.

24. In a convertible carriage and chair, the combination, with a two-part body hinged at their meeting edges, two axles, four wheels, two springs at the front, and a plate rear spring laterally wave-bent and fast at its ends on the rear axle, of two latch-hook plates on the rear body-section that engage the front edges of the flat bow of the rear spring,

and a spring latch-bar adapted to interlock with the rear edge of said flat bow between 10 the hook-plates, substantially as described.

NATHAN SILVERSON.

Witnesses: WM. P. PATTON,

E. M. CLARK.