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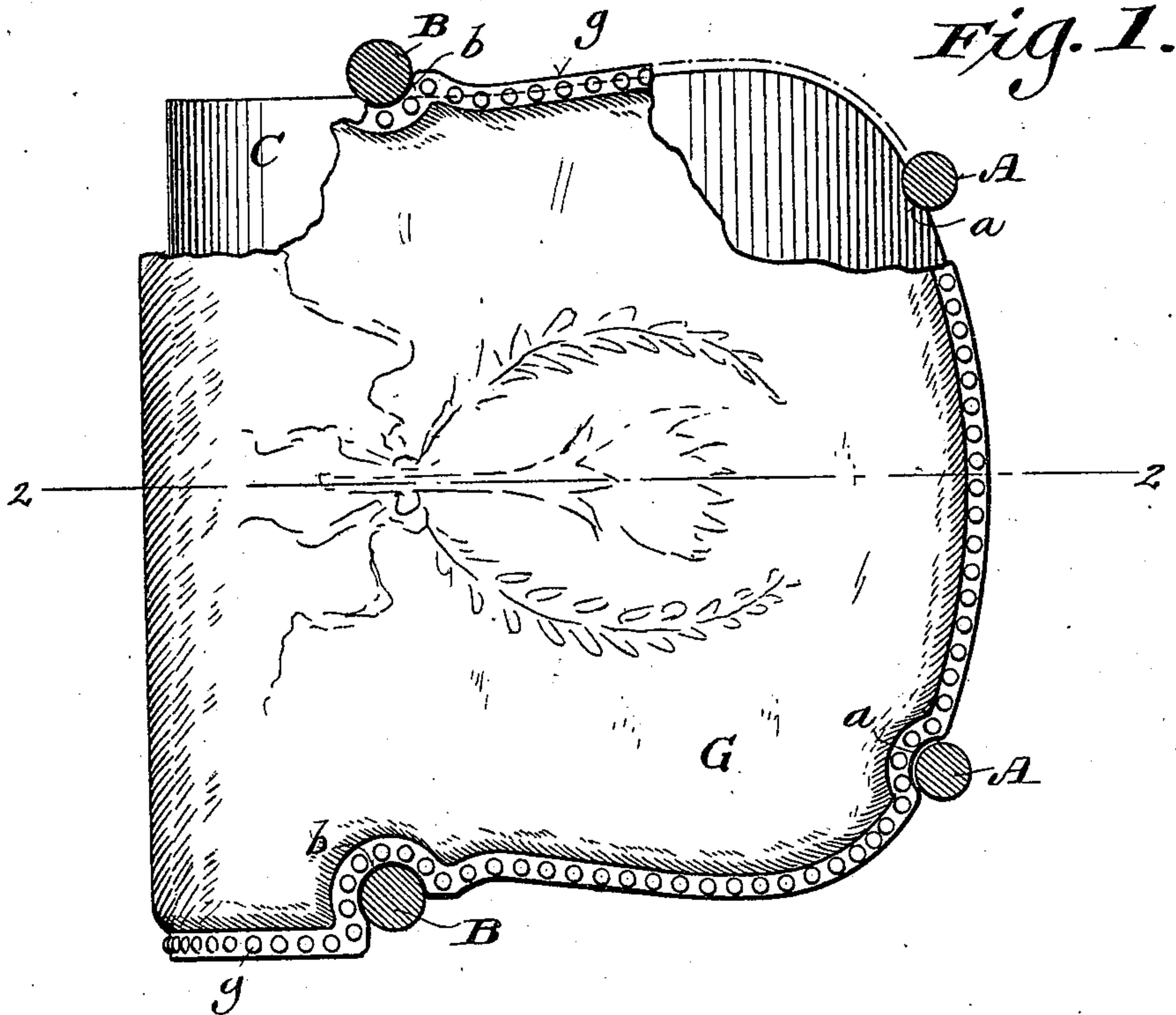
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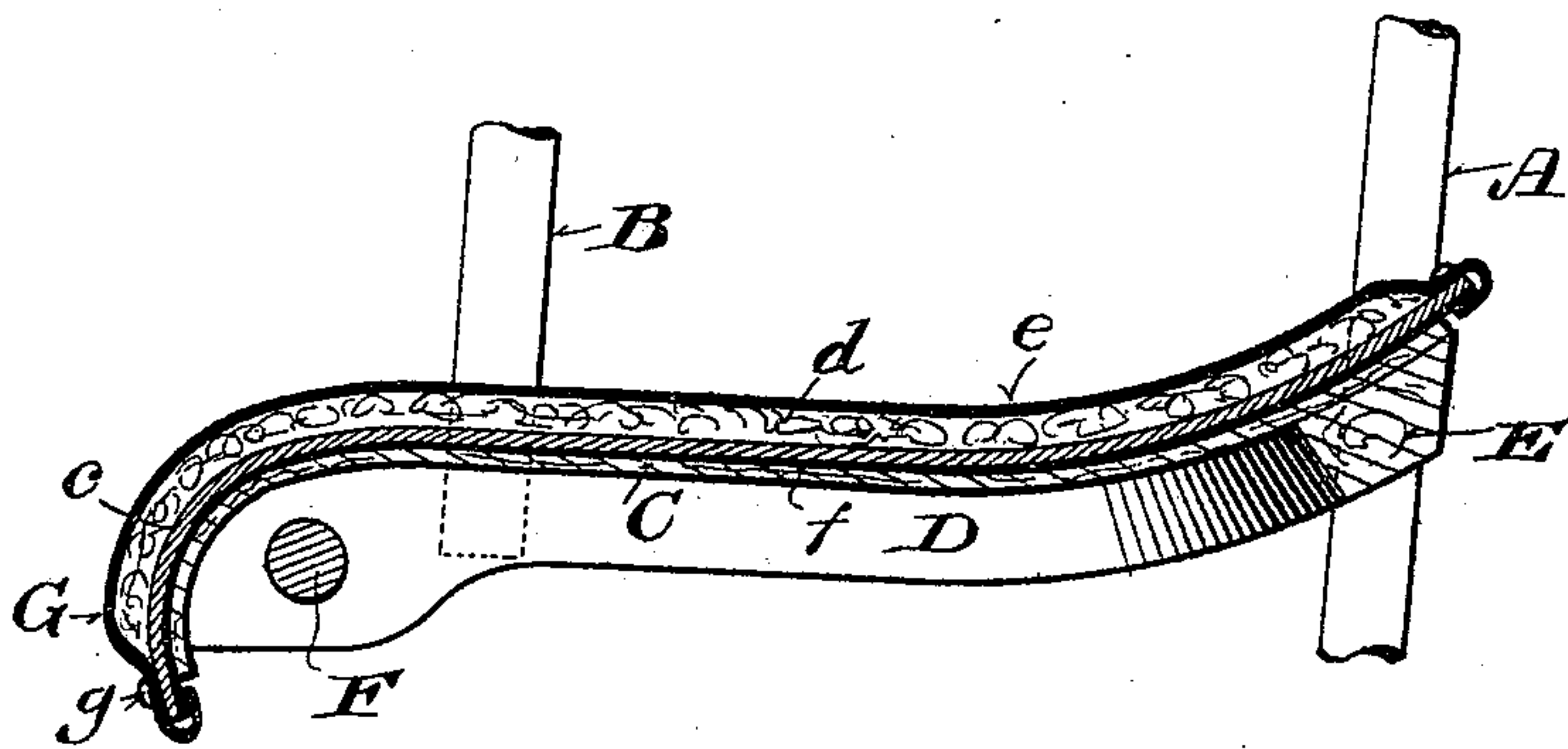
CHAIR SEAT.

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*Fig. 2.*



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## CHAIR-SEAT.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JAMES H. COFFMAN, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Columbus, in the county of Franklin and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Chair-Seats; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

My invention relates to what are known as "bent-wood" chair-seats; and it consists in certain peculiarities of construction and combinations of parts, as will be fully set forth hereinafter and subsequently claimed.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a plan view of a chair-seat embodying my present invention, parts being broken away or in section to better illustrate certain details of construction. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal vertical sectional view thereof, taken on the line 2 2 of Fig. 1.

Referring to the drawings, A A represent the upright posts of the back, and B B the upright arm-posts of a chair of any ordinary or desired construction.

C represents a bent wood or veneer strip forming the base of the seat, and D one of the two seat-supporting side pieces of the seat-frame, E being the rear piece of said frame and F the front cross-piece, these parts D and F being of any desired or suitable construction and contour to properly support the bent-wood seat-base C just referred to, and the described back and arm posts A B being secured to the said seat-supporting frame in any proper manner.

G represents the supplemental seat and, as best shown in Fig. 2, this comprises a bent-wood base *c* of substantially the same curvature or contour as that of the described seat-base C, so as to be adapted to rest and fit snugly thereon, the base *c* and the hereinafter-described covering thereof being preferably cut out at the rear, as shown at *a a*, to receive the rear or back posts A A, and at each side, as shown at *b b*, to similarly receive the side or arm posts B B, whereby the said supplemental seat G will be kept firmly in place upon the seat-base C. The base *c* is preferably longer and (in front of the arm-posts B B) somewhat wider than the base C.

The base *c* of the supplemental seat is covered with a lining or cushion *d* of any suit-

able soft or yielding material—such as curled hair, wool, or cotton or other material employed by upholsterers—and over this is a cover *e* of fabric or leather or other material such as is employed in upholstering furniture, and the edges of this cover are brought down under the base *c* and glued, cemented, or otherwise secured thereto, there being preferably an under side cover *f* of some suitable fabric, as shown, and the upper surface of the seat G all around the edge is finished neatly, as by round-headed tacks or metallic or other binding *g*. This supplemental seat G forms an attractive and desirable cushion for the chair and not only preserves its shape, by reason of its inflexible base *c*, but, as already stated, keeps its position, by means of the cut-out portions *a b*, in engagement with the described upright posts A B of the chair, and yet is capable of instant and ready removal for purposes of cleansing or repair or storage or transmission and equally adapted for ready replacement.

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

1. The combination, in a chair, of a permanent seat, and back and arm posts rising therefrom, with a removable seat comprising a stiff base and a padded cover thereto, said removable seat conforming in contour to that of the permanent seat and being notched or cut out along its side and rear edges to receive the said posts of the chair.

2. The combination, in a chair, with a seat forming a permanent part thereof, and back and arm posts rising therefrom, of an independent supplemental seat, conforming in contour to that of the permanent seat, and free from attachment thereto, said supplemental seat being notched or cut out along its side and rear edges for temporary engagement with said back and arm posts.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand at Columbus, in the county of Franklin and State of Ohio, in the presence of two witnesses.

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