JOHN J. ROSE. Improvement in Wagon-Brakes.

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## IMPROVEMENT IN WAGON-BRAKES.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, John J. Rose, of Elmwood, in the county of Peoria and in the State of Illinois, have invented a new and improved Brake for Hay-Wagons; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the annexed drawing making a part of this specification, in which like letters of reference refer to like parts, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view;

Figure 2, a longitudinal elevation; and

Figure 3, a plan view of wagon with hay-frame removed.

Like letters in the figures of the drawing indicate like parts.

This improvement relates to the management of brakes in a loaded wagon, particularly hay-wagons, from the top of the upright lever, by a crank-pulley or roller and rope, the latter attached to the brakes.

A represents a horizontal brake-bar, suspended at a a to each of the side pieces of the frame G G in the front of the wheels K K, the outer ends being provided with the usual blocks Z Z, fitting against the wheels.

The clevis B, pivoted to the axle D, or to a bar adjacent to the latter, carries a pulley, a, at its forward end, over which the rope or chain d, fastened at one end to the transverse brake-bar A, passes, thence running beneath the roller e and movable levers C at the lower end, and thence up to the winch k and rollers at the top of the levers.

The rôpe is prevented from recoil by means of ratchet f and pawl g on the axle of winch h.

The levers C are of the ordinary construction, and elevated on the roller J, which is pivoted horizontally and transversely on the forward end of wagon-frame G

G in front of the load. The brakes A fall back from the wheels when the rope is relaxed, being pendent by staples or eyes, to bolts in the side pieces of frame G G, one at either side, and in front of the brakes.

This brake can be also used on common wagons, by a slight modification, giving the same combination of powers, viz., lever and pulley-power.

The operation of this brake is as follows:

The winch h, being turned, (the ratchet f and pawl g preventing any recoil of same,) tightens the rope d, which, passing beneath the pulley e at the bottom of the lever C, and around the pulley a in the clevis B, brings the brakes A forward, pressing the blocks at the outer ends against the wheels K K, the ratchet and pawl, as before said, preventing any recoil.

It will be seen that great additional power is obtained by the use of a crank, and in the case of the attachment of this principle to a common wagon the driver has the winch before him, and has not to reach behind him, as is the case where a lever is used.

Having thus fully described my invention,

What I claim therein as new, and desire to secure

by Letters Patent, is-

The arrangement of the levers C, provided with ratchet f, pawl g, and winch h, with its rope d, arranged, with pulleys e and a of clevis B, to connect with brake A, in combination with the frame G of a hay or other wagon, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing hay-wagon brake, I have hereunto set my hand this day of , 1870.

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