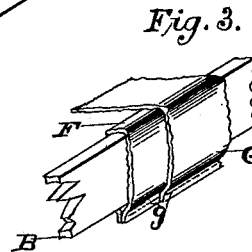
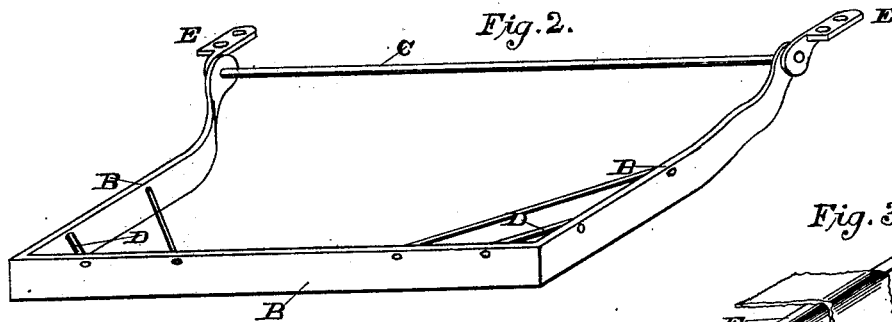
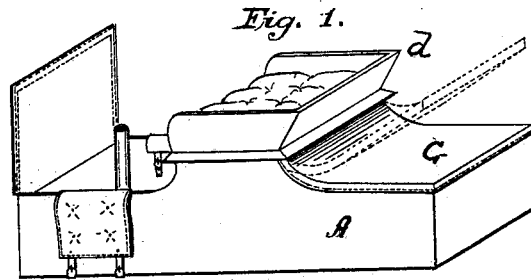


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Boot for Vehicles.

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IMPROVEMENT IN BOOTS FOR VEHICLES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JACKSON W. HEWITT, of Jackson, in the county of Jackson and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Vehicles; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a buggy with my improvement applied thereto. Fig. 2 shows the hinged frame on an enlarged scale; Fig. 3, a mode of securing the covering to the frame.

My invention relates to that class of buggies in which the seat is located either midway of the length of the body or somewhat in advance of the rear end thereof.

My improvement relates to a hinged boot or covering for that portion of the body which is in rear of the seat, whereby articles placed within the same are readily covered, and thus protected from dust and rain.

Let A designate the body of a buggy, and B a hinged frame located in rear of the seat *d*. As herein illustrated, this frame is hinged or pivoted upon the ends of a rod, C, which passes over the sides of the body in a line about under the lower edge of the seat frame or back. This rod is supported by the plates E E, which are bolted or otherwise secured to

the under side of the seat, though, if desired, it may pass through the sides of the buggy-body, and have nuts applied to its ends outside of the frame B.

The frame B is preferably made of metal, although wood may be employed when desired. It is provided with brace-rods D D at its rear corners, and is adapted to fit over the body, as shown in Fig. 1. This frame is covered with cloth, leather, or other suitable material, which may be riveted thereto along its edges, or secured by buttons or other suitable fastenings.

In Fig. 3, however, I have shown a portion of the frame and covering secured as follows: A strip of the material, F, is carried round the frame and sewed at its bottom edges, and to this is secured the covering G along the line *g*.

What I claim is—

1. In a buggy in which an open space is left in the body in rear of the seat, a covered frame, B, hinged so as to be raised or lowered, substantially as set forth.

2. In combination with the buggy seat and body, the covered frame B, rod C, and the plates E E, all constructed and arranged as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 26th day of May, 1879.

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