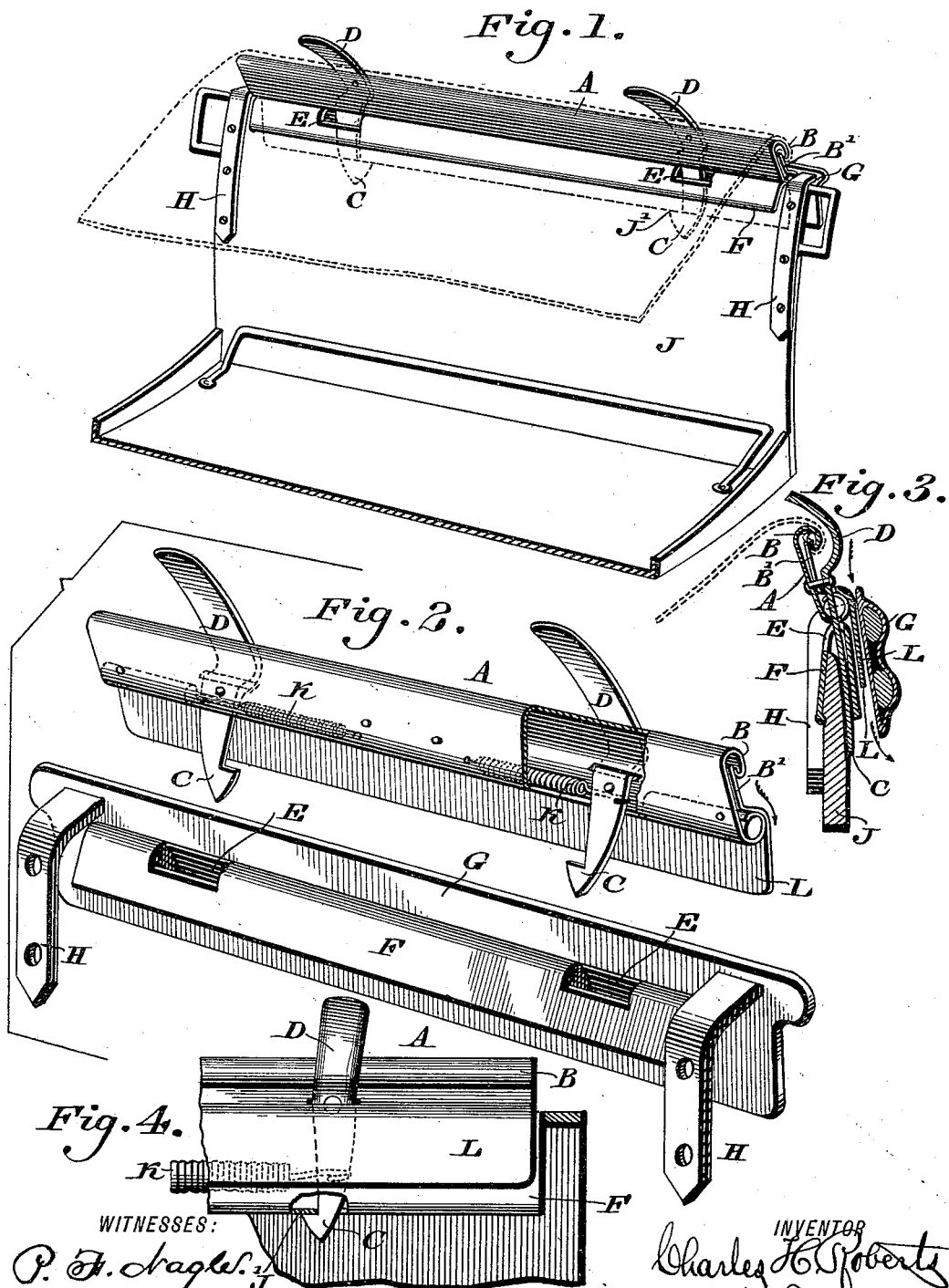


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES H. ROBERTS, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Carriage-Apron Holders, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings.

My invention consists of a carriage-apron holder which may be readily attached to and removed from a dasher.

It also consists in providing the device with a guard for directing rain or water from the same.

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of a carriage-apron holder embodying my invention. Fig. 2 represents a perspective view thereof, the parts being separated and on an enlarged scale. Fig. 3 represents a transverse vertical section thereof. Fig. 4 represents a front view of a detached portion thereof.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

Referring to the drawings, A designates a plate whose upper end is bent, forming a lip B and provided with a tongue B', by which an apron is secured to said plate.

C designates dogs, which are pivoted to the plate A and provided with handles D for operating purposes, said dogs being adapted to pass through slots E in a bent plate or cap F, which latter is secured to the top of the dasher.

G designates a head, which is provided with tongues H, whereby it is connected with the dasher J.

Below the slots E are shoulders J', with which the dogs C are adapted to engage, it being noticed that springs K are connected with said dogs and the plate A, whereby the dogs are drawn toward each other, and thus held engaged with said shoulders J'.

Depending from the front of the plate A is a guard or guard-plate L, which when in operate position is in front of the plate F or between said plate F and the head G.

When it is desired to use the apron, the dogs C are presented to the slots E and the

plate A forced downwardly, the dogs separating, owing to their contact with the shoulders J', on which their noses ride. When said noses clear said shoulders J', the dogs engage with the latter, thus locking the plate A to the cap F, and consequently connecting the apron with the dasher. When rain drops from the apron, it is directed by the guard L over the top of the dash-board, and thus prevented from entering the carriage or vehicle. (See arrow, Figs. 2 and 3.) When the apron is to be removed, the handles of the dogs are pressed toward each other, whereby the noses of the latter leave the shoulders J' and the plate A with said dogs, and the guard L may be removed from the cap F, after which the apron may be rolled around said parts and conveniently stored in the vehicle.

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

1. A plate adapted to have a carriage-apron connected therewith and provided with a dog, in combination with a cap connectible with a dasher, having a shoulder with which said dog engages, thus attaching the apron to the dasher, substantially as described.

2. An apron-carrying plate provided with a dog for connection with a dasher, and with a guard adapted to cover the top of the dasher for preventing rain from passing over the same into the carriage, substantially as described.

3. The head G and slotted and shouldered cap F, connectible with a dasher, in combination with apron-carrying plate A, provided with a dog C, adapted to be removably connected with said cap F, substantially as described.

4. The head G and cap F, in combination with the apron-carrying plate A, provided with the dog C and the rain-guard L, substantially as described.

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