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Fig. 1

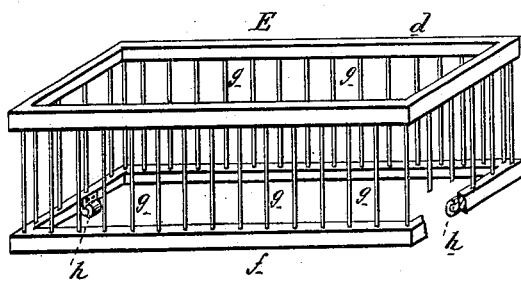


Fig. 2.

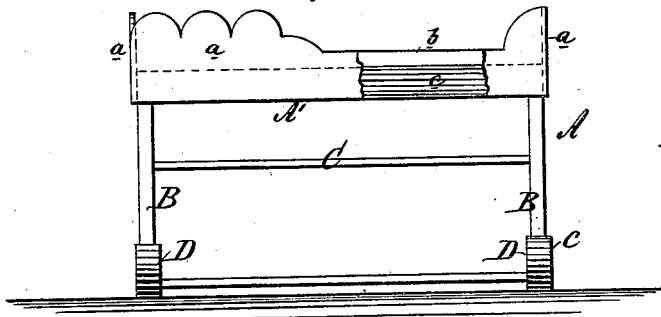
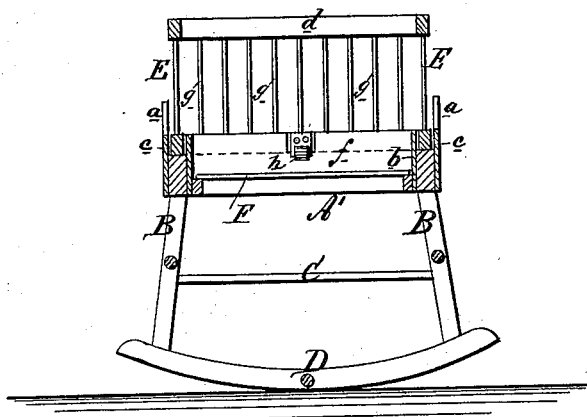


Fig. 3.



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COMBINED CRADLE AND NURSERY.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL E. DARNE, of Fair Play, in the county of Park and State of Colorado, have invented a new and Improved
5 Combined Cradle and Nursery, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this device is to provide an improved article for household purposes that can be used either as a combined cradle and
10 crib or as a separate cradle and separate nursery for children.

The invention consists in constructing the cradle with a detachable top frame or crib so made and applied that when the frame is used upon the
15 cradle it forms an effective crib to protect and keep the child within the cradle, and when the crib is removed and placed upon the floor it forms an effective nursery, in which the child may be placed and protected, taught to walk,
20 amused, &c.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the nursery portion of the device. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the rockers and bed-frame, with parts broken away to exhibit other parts. Fig. 3 is
25 a sectional elevation of the combined cradle and nursery.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

In the accompanying drawings, A represents
30 the cradle, and A' the bed-frame of the cradle, with the outer end and side strips, *a*, fashioned in some ornamental design and higher than the inner strips, *b*; and between the strips *a b* is formed a groove, *c*, extending all around the
35 bed-frame A'.

B are the legs of the cradle; C, the cross-bars or rungs; D, the rocker, and F the cross-slats to support a bed.

E represents the nursery or crib, consisting
40 of top and bottom rectangular open frames, *d f*, respectively, that are connected by vertical

bars or slats *g g*; and on the bottom frame, *f*, are fastened casters *h*, that facilitate the rolling or moving about of said nursery E upon a floor when it is removed from the cradle.

When the combined cradle and nursery is made of fine wood it forms an ornamental article for the household, while at the same time it possesses several very useful qualities.

When the nursery E is applied upon the
45 cradle, as shown in Fig. 3, it forms an effective crib, in which the child is protected from falling from the cradle or other accident. When the nursery E is removed from the cradle the latter may still be used for all the ordinary
55 purposes of a cradle, while the nursery E, if placed upon the floor, forms an inclosure in which a young child may be placed to amuse itself, yet be protected from accident. The bottom part of the nursery E is intended to be
60 provided with casters *h*, on which the nursery may easily roll or be propelled, the object being to enable the child to creep and push the nursery about and finally learn to walk.

The use of this invention in the household
65 is calculated to promote the health and safety of children, and to save time, labor, and care on the part of attendants.

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

1. A combined cradle and nursery constructed substantially as herein shown and described, consisting of a cradle, A, and detachable nursery E, as set forth.

2. In a combined cradle and nursery, the
75 bed-frame A', provided with groove *c* to receive the nursery E, substantially as and for the purpose described.

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