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Wagon-Cover.

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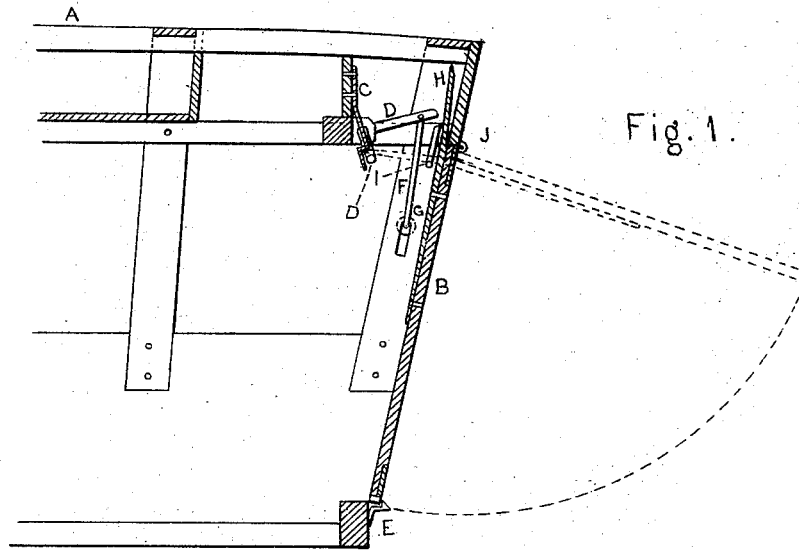


Fig. 1.

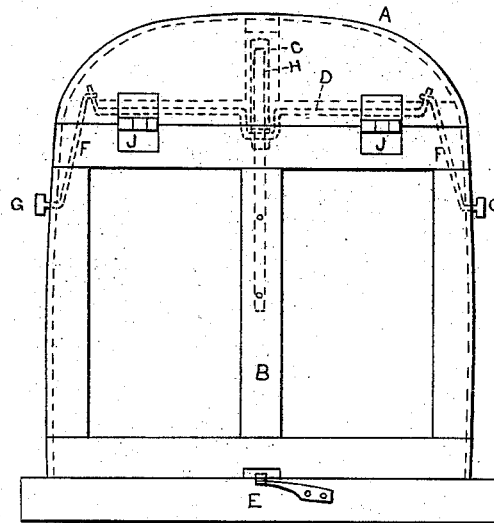


Fig. 2.

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IMPROVEMENT IN WAGON-COVERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES H. CUTLER, of Lawrence, in the county of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Devices for Securing Covers or Doors of Market-Wagons, Butchers' Wagons, and the like, in either closed or open position; and that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

In the drawings, Figure 1 represents a sectional view of that part of a wagon to which my improvement is applied; and Fig. 2, a rear view, showing the mechanism for disengaging the catch.

The letter A represents a portion of a wagon-body; B, a cover or door designed to close the rear of a wagon; C, a spring-latch designed to hold the cover B suspended; D, a shaft, having a crank in the center, designed to press back the spring C, and two arms, one at each end, and connected by rods or wires to knobs, and designed to turn the rod sufficiently to unclasp the latch C; E, a latch designed to secure the cover or door when closed; F F, rods or wires attached to the shaft D; G G, knobs passing to the outside of body, and designed to force the rods or wires F F down and the crank and spring back, thus disengaging the lever H;

H, a brace attached to B, and designed to engage the spring-latch C; I, a fulcrum-iron, over which the lever H bears, and designed to relieve the hinges from all strain; J J, hinges attached to cover or door.

In carrying out my invention, the device being applied substantially as described, when it is desired to open the cover or door B, raise the same until the brace H engages and is held by the spring-latch C. To close the same, press down on either of the knobs G G, which throws the spring C (by its connections) back, relieving the brace H and cover B, which fall in place, closing the rear of carriage-body.

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

In a wagon-body, as herein described, the combination, with the body A and door or cover B, of the spring C, the rod D, the rods or wires F F, the knobs G G, the lever H, and fulcrum I, in a manner and for the purpose substantially as described.

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