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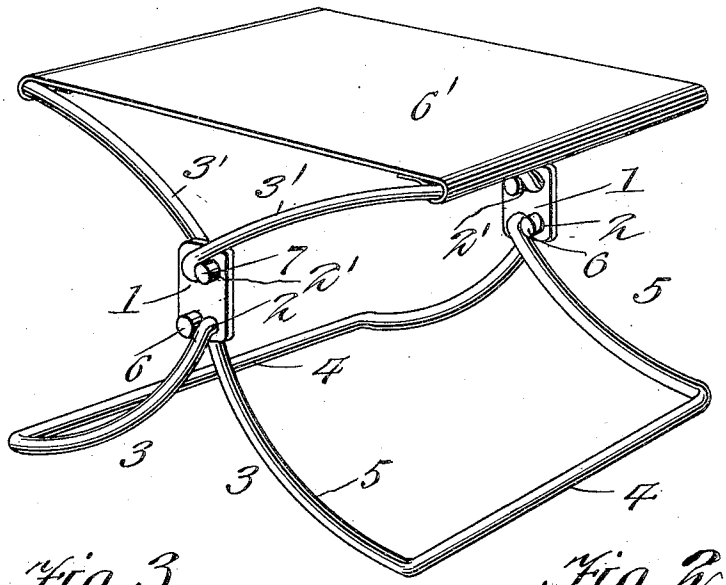
Fig. 1.



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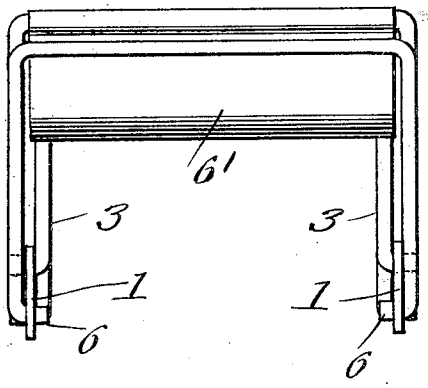

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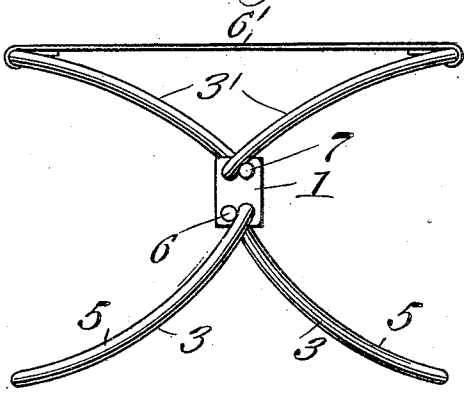

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CALVIN A. BUFFINGTON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Berkshire, in the county of Tioga and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Folding Stools, of which the following is a specification.

The invention relates to improvements in auxiliary seats used in carriages or other vehicles.

The object of the invention is to provide a novel construction of seat to be used for a third person on a carriage seat which will accommodate but two.

A further object is to provide a device of the class described which will be cheap, simple in construction and which will occupy small space when folded.

The invention consists of a pair of plates having U-shaped members pivoted thereto and serving as legs, and a similar pair of U-shaped members pivoted to said plates and serving as supports for the fabric seat bottom.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which,

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the stool in open position. Fig. 2 is an end elevation of the stool, and, Fig. 3 is a side view of the stool in folded position.

In the drawings 1 are two plates provided with two pairs of apertures 2 and 2′, arranged near the upper and lower ends of said plate. Braces 3 and 3′ have the cross pieces 4 and the arms 5 extending therefrom at right angles thereto. The ends of the arms 5 are bent at right angles to form lugs 6 and 7. These braces 3 and 3′ are four in number, the lugs 6 of braces 3 entering apertures from the inner faces of the plates 1 and the lugs 7 entering diagonally opposite openings from the outsides of the plates. The lugs 6 and 7 extend through the apertures and project beyond the faces of the plates. When the braces 3 and 3′ are extended in open position the arms 5 will lie against the projecting lugs adjacent thereto. The lower pair of braces form the legs of the stool and the upper braces form the support for the seat 6 which consists of a piece of canvas, carpet or other suitable material secured at its ends to the cross bars of said braces.

A device is provided which will rest on a carriage seat and be partly supported by the two occupants of said seat. A third person will occupy the auxiliary seat and will be elevated only a few inches above the others.

The device may be used as a camp stool, the plates being made of different lengths to provide stools of different heights.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is:—

1. An auxiliary seat consisting of plates, having a pair of apertures near one end thereof, a second pair of apertures near the opposite end thereof, a pair of braces having lugs entering said first-named apertures, and a second pair of braces entering said second named apertures, and a flexible seat-bottom.

2. An auxiliary seat consisting of a pair of plates having two sets of apertures, two sets of braces having arms provided with lugs, the lugs of one set of braces entering one set of apertures from opposite sides, and the other set of braces entering the other set of apertures from opposite sides.

3. An auxiliary seat consisting of a pair of plates having two sets of apertures, two sets of braces having arms provided with lugs, the lugs of one set of braces entering one set of apertures from opposite sides, and the other set of braces entering the other set of apertures from opposite sides, each of said lugs acting as a stop for the arm of the adjacent brace.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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