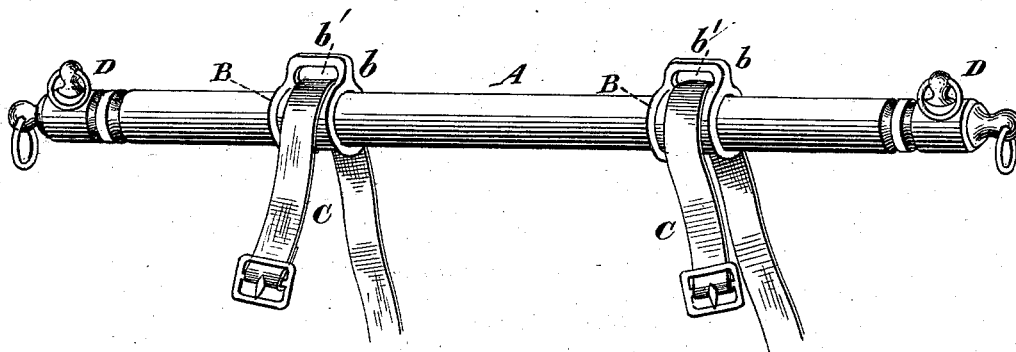


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IMPROVEMENT IN SHAWL-STRAPS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALFRED E. LYMAN, of Geneva, in the county of Ashtabula and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shawl-Strap Bars; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, sufficient to enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, and in which drawing the figure represents a perspective view of my improved shawl-strap.

My invention appertains to certain improvements in shawl-straps, its object being to allow the holding-straps to be moved nearer together or farther apart to be accommodated to the size of the bundle.

To this end my invention consists of a bar having two or more sliding ferrules or sleeves, provided with eyes, through which are inserted holding-straps, and ringed staples secured near the ends of the bar for the retention of the sliding ferrules on said bar, substantially as hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawing, A refers to a bar, preferably made straight, having two or more sliding ferrules or sleeves, B, arranged thereon. These ferrules or sleeves B are cast, preferably, with an extension, *b*, having an elongated slot, *b'*, which receives the holding-strap C. Secured to the bar A near each end

is a ringed staple, D, the object of which is to retain the ferrules or sleeves B on the bar, and also to receive additional holding-straps, if desired. The holding-straps being held in the ferrules or sleeves, which latter slide freely on the bar, it will be readily seen that the said straps can be arranged to hold a large or small package, as desired.

I do not limit myself to the use of ringed staples to retain the sliding ferrules or sleeves on the bar A, as any pin secured to or projection formed on the bar will answer the purpose.

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

1. In a shawl-strap, a bar having two or more sliding ferrules or sleeves, provided with slots for the reception of holding-straps, and ringed staples or stops secured near the ends of said bar, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. The bar A, provided with the sliding ferrules or sleeves B, having an extension, *b*, and slot *b'*, ringed staples D, and holding-straps C, substantially as shown and described, and as and for the purpose set forth.

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