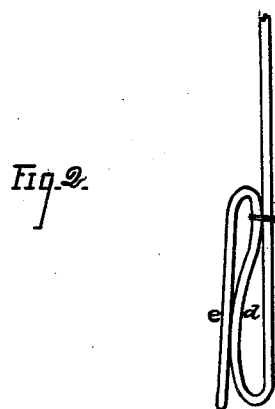
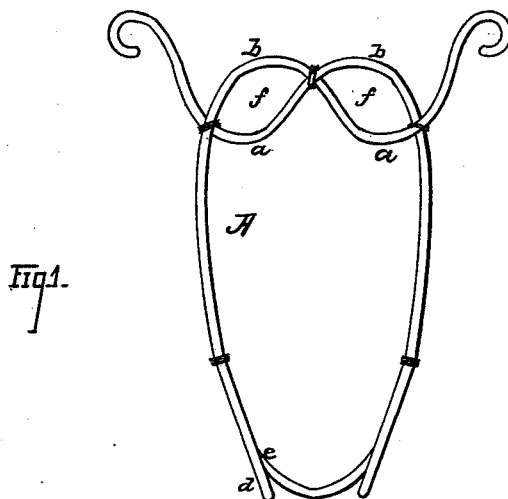


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IMPROVEMENT IN RESTS FOR DRIVING-REINS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE P. WILLIAMS, of Harrisonburg, in the county of Rockingham and State of Virginia, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Rests for Driving-Reins, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

The invention relates to an improvement in rests for driving-reins; and it consists of a bent-wire frame, the lower part of which is formed into a clasp, while the upper portion is properly fashioned, as hereinafter set forth, to receive the reins.

The object of the invention is to provide a simple and inexpensive rest for the driving-reins, and one which can be adjusted upon the dash-board of a buggy to suit the convenience of the driver, and be detached at will.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a plan view of a device embodying the elements of the invention. Fig. 2 is a detached side view of the lower part of same.

In the accompanying drawings, A represents the rest, which, in the present instance, is of an oval shape, and constructed of a single piece of wire, one end of which is formed into a small ring for ornamentation and then curves downward a short distance, forming a loop, as at *a*, on one side of the device; thence it curves upward on the other side, forming an inverted loop, *b*, corresponding in dimensions with the loop *a*. The wire then passes downward in a slightly-curved line, forming one side of the device. After passing downward a sufficient distance to form a rest of the proper height, the wire is turned short and folded upward, and then downward, the folds being lettered *d e*. The wire is then bent outward and formed into two folds, similar and adjacent to the folds *d e*, which serve, in connection with the two latter folds, to form a clasp, by which the device may readily be at-

tached upon the dash-board of the vehicle and adjusted or detached at will. After the folds last described have been formed the wire extends upward, forming the other side of the device, and then passes over toward the side of the device first constructed, being looped correspondingly with the loops *a b*, forming ovals *f f*, and its end being fashioned into a ring similar in all respects to the ring on the first end of the wire.

In the formation of the loops at the upper portion of the device the ends of the wire pass on opposite sides of each other at the three joints shown, so as to brace each other and preserve the general contour of the device.

After the rest has been attached to the dash-board of the vehicle, the driving-reins may be placed in the space between the two ends of the wire, or they may be unbuckled and passed through the ovals *f f*, and then rebuckled. If the latter plan is preferred, there is no possibility of the reins falling to the ground; but either method may be successfully employed.

It is obvious that various ways of bending the wire, so as to effectively answer the purpose of the device, and at the same time be attractive, will readily suggest themselves to the manufacturer, and need not be specifically mentioned.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A wire rest for driving-reins, having its lower portion formed into the folds *d e* and its upper portion into the ovals *f f*, substantially as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing improvement in rests for driving lines or reins, as above described, I have hereunto set my hand.

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