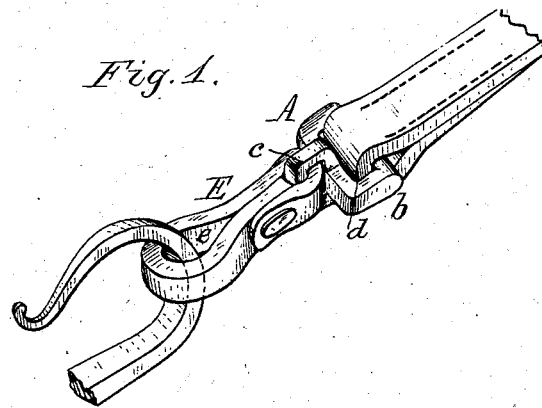


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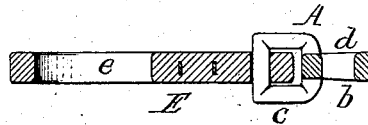
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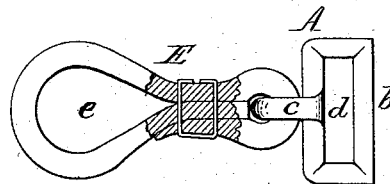
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*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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## CHECK-LOOP.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ANTHONY THILLEN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Perry, in the county of Wyoming, in the State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Check-Loops, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates more particularly to a device in which the rear end of an overdraw check-rein is secured to the saddle or check hook, and has for its object the production of a simple, cheap, and durable loop.

My invention consists of the particular construction of the device, as hereinafter fully set forth.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view, showing the application of my improved loop to the check-rein and saddle-hook. Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section, and Fig. 3 a top plan view, of my improved loop, partly in section.

Like letters of reference refer to like parts in the several figures.

A represents that part of the device which is attached to the rear end of the overdraw check-rein, and which consists of a horizontal loop, *b*, and a vertical loop, *c*, projecting rearward from the rear bar of the horizontal loop *b*. The rear end of the check-rein is drawn through the opening *d* of the loop and fastened by a buckle or by sewing, as may be preferred.

The part A of the device is preferably cast in one piece of malleable iron or other suitable metal.

E represents a horizontal loop, which is attached with its forward end to the loop *c*, and has its opening *e* made of the proper size and shape to engage over the saddle-hook. The loop E is preferably constructed of a strip of leather bent to the desired shape and secured to the loop *c* by rivets, which pass through the double ends of the strip of leather of which the loop E is formed, as clearly shown in the drawings. The loop E being constructed of leather, it is pliable and moves on the saddle-hook without noise, while the metallic portion A of the device forms a ready means for attaching the check-rein and retains the latter in its proper position.

I claim as my invention—

A loop for overdraw check-reins, composed of a metallic portion, A, which consists of a horizontal loop, *b*, and a vertical loop, *c*, cast in one piece, the loop *b* being adapted to receive the check-rein, and a horizontal loop, E, of flexible material, secured to the loop *c* and adapted to engage over the saddle-hook, substantially as set forth.

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