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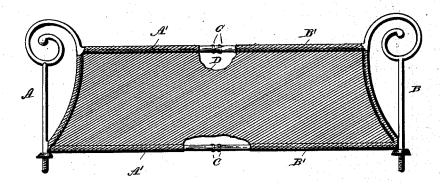
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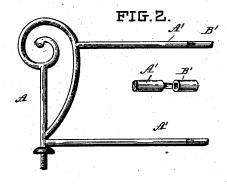
## DASH SCREEN FOR VEHICLES.

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## DASH-SCREEN FOR VEHICLES.

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To all whom it may concern.

Be it known that I, John H. Murphy, a citizen of the United States, residing at Merrimac, in the county of Essex, State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Dash-Screens for Vehicles, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

o This invention has relation to improvements in dashes for vehicles, and among the objects in view are to simplify the construction, facilitate their manufacture, and reduce the number of parts and the cost thereof.

The invention consists in certain features of construction, hereinafter specified, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of a dash constructed in accordance with my invention, and Fig. 2 is a similar view in detail of a modification.

Similar letters of reference indicate like

parts in both the figures.

In carrying out my invention, I construct
the dash in two sections or castings, A and B,
which may be of any desired configuration or
design, the only requisite being that each section is formed with two parallel tie bars or
arms, A'B'. Any ordinary means may be employed for securing the sections to the vehicle,
and the sections may be connected to each
other at or about the center by any desired
means. In this instance, for the purpose of
simplicity, I chamfer or undercut the ends of

the tie bars or arms A' and overcut or chamfer the arms B'. These ends are joined by means of rivets C, passed through the arms and headed. In this relation, however, I do not confine my invention, for, as shown in Fig. 2, an ordinary dowel-joint may be formed. 40 Over the frame thus formed is stretched or suitably secured the leather or wire covering D.

By the construction just described a dash may be formed which may be easily and conveniently cast in two sections, which are joined 45 and covered, whereby a neat, lasting, and strong article is furnished.

Having described my invention, what I claim is—

1. A dash-frame for vehicles, consisting of 50 the two castings A and B, having the integral cast-arms A' and B', respectively, terminating in form for permanent connection with each other, substantially as specified.

2. A dash for vehicles, consisting of the 5; castings A and B, having the integral arms A' B' centrally connected, as at C, substantially as specified.

3. A dash for vehicles, consisting of the castings A and B, having the chamfered arms 60 A' B' connected, as at C, and provided with the covering D, substantially as specified.

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

JOHN H. MURPHY.

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