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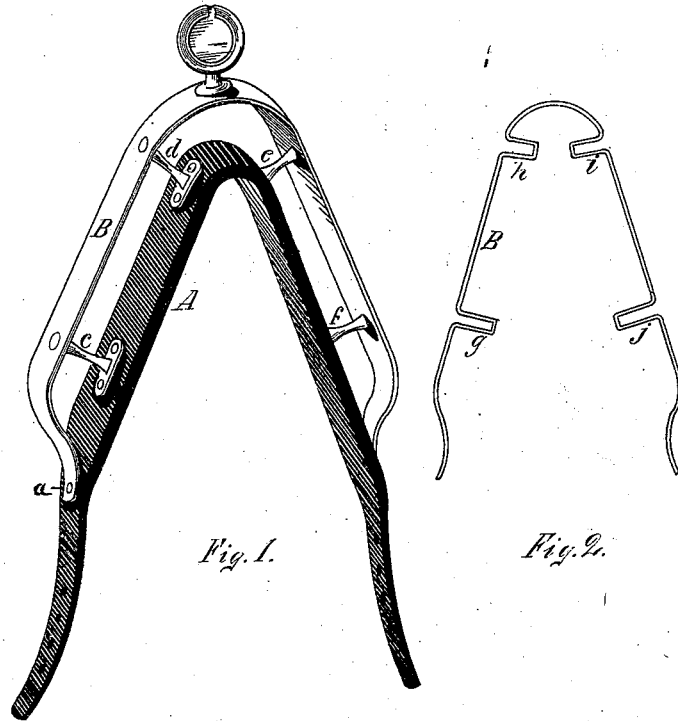


Fig. 1.

Fig. 2.

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## IMPROVEMENT IN HARNESS-SADDLES.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, GEORGE E. STANDISH and LUTHER S. BAILEY, of Middleborough, in the county of Plymouth, State of Massachusetts, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Harness, of which the following is a description sufficiently full, clear, and exact to enable any person skilled in the art or science to which our invention appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is an isometrical perspective view, and Fig. 2 a plan view, showing an alternate form of construction.

Like letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the different figures of the drawing.

Our improvement relates to harness; and consists in providing the neck-strap of the harness-saddle with a rein guide or support, constructed and arranged to operate in a novel manner, as hereinafter more fully set forth and explained, by means of which the guiding-reins and also the check-rein are supported or kept in a proper position, and prevented from being caught on the shafts of the carriage, hitching-post, &c., by the lateral movements of the horse's head.

The nature of our improvement will be readily understood by all conversant with such matters from the following description:

In the drawings, A represents the neck-strap of the harness-saddle, and B the body of the rein-supporter, the ends of which are curved inwardly and riveted to the saddle at *a*. Attached to the strap A, and supporting the body B, there are four standards or pillars, *c d e f*, arranged as shown. These standards are riveted firmly to the saddle, and also to the body B, which is constructed of a thin elastic metal band or strip, so as to yield readily as the saddle is adjusted to the horse.

In the use of our improvement, the guiding-reins are passed respectively between the standards *c d* and *e f*, and the check-rein between the standards *d e*.

An alternate form of the body B is seen in Fig. 2, the body being bent inwardly at *g h i j*, as shown, to form standards integral with itself, if preferred.

Having thus explained our improvement, what we claim is—

A harness-saddle provided with the strap A, and having a rein guide or support consisting of the body and standards *c d e f*, constructed and arranged substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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