

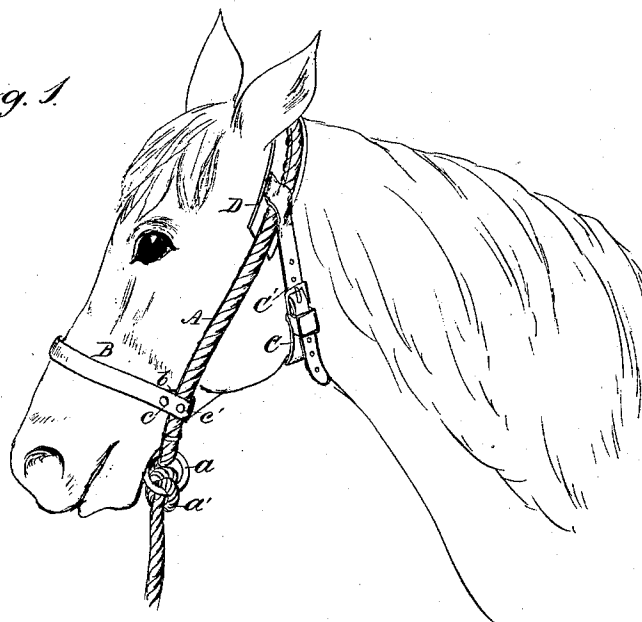
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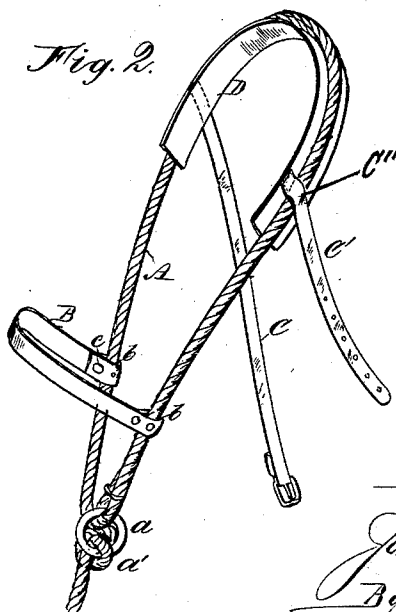
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



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## HALTER.

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### *To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN C. AVERILL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Traer, in the county of Tama and State of Iowa, have  
5 invented certain new and useful Improvements in Halters; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains  
10 to make and use the same.

The object of this invention is to produce a rope halter in which are combined the elements of simplicity, cheapness, strength, comfort to the animal, and adjustability.

15 The invention consists in the construction, combination, and arrangement of parts, as hereinafter fully set forth and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, Figure 1 represents  
20 the halter as in use, and Fig. 2 a view of the same in perspective detached.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The invention embodies certain features in  
25 common with a strap-halter for which I have made application for Letters Patent of the United States of even date herewith, and the same is numbered 412,954. The main principle common to both is the use of a continuous  
30 head-strap passing over the head and meeting under the chin. As this feature is broadly claimed in said other application, the same is herein disclaimed.

The chief characteristic feature of this invention is the use of a continuous rope A,  
35 which forms the head-band and also the hitch-rope. One end of the rope is suitably looped and in the loop is secured a ring *a*. The rope thence passes over the head of the animal and connects again with the ring in a knot *a'*, the  
40 extended portion of the rope serving as a hitch-rope.

To the head-band A is secured a nose-band B, looped around the rope and fastened to it-

self and on one side to the rope by suitable rivets *c c*. That portion of the rope which passes  
45 down the other side of the horse's head and terminates in the hitch-rope should not be secured to the nose-band, however, but simply pass through a snugly-fitting loop *b*. This  
50 admits of the rope being slipped back and forth in the loop, as may be required in adjusting the halter to different-sized heads, which is of course done by changing the position of the knot *a'*. 55

The halter may consist of the parts described only; but it is desirable to provide the same with a throat-latch C C', and to render the  
60 halter the more comfortable to the animal with a shield D of leather or the like. In this case the throat-latch at its connection with the shield forms on each side a loop C'', through which the rope passes.

This halter is designed for use more especially with colts, though of course adapted for  
65 use with full-grown horses. Its adjustability makes it a very convenient halter for general use, and as the hitch-rope and head-band are both in a single piece and so arranged as to draw straight down or out from the top of  
70 the horse's head it follows that the halter is a very strong and durable one. Its simplicity and the material of which it is largely composed also renders it a cheap halter to make.

Having thus described my invention, I 75 claim—

In a halter, the combination of the continuous rope A, forming the head-band and hitch-rope, the nose-band B, the shield D, and the throat-latch C C', having the loop C'', through  
80 which the rope passes, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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

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