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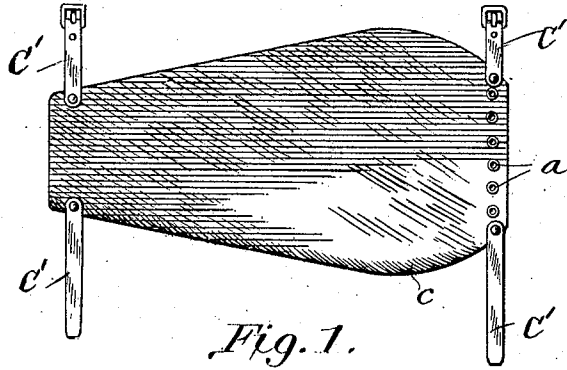


Fig. 1.

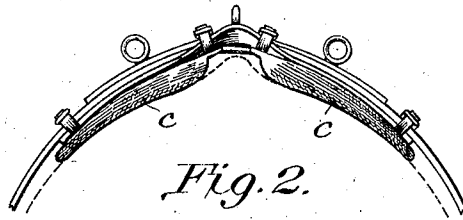


Fig. 2.

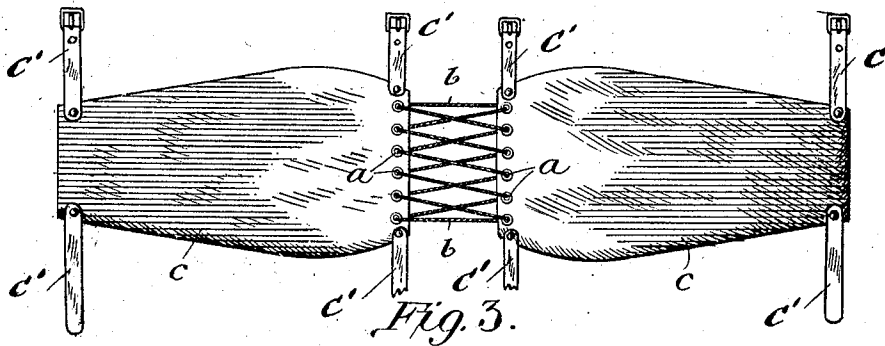


Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ADOLPH GOTTLIEB EICHHORN, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city of St. Louis and State of Missouri, have invented a new and useful Pad for Gig-Saddles and Back-Bands, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a novel form of gig-pad for gig-saddles and back-bands.

The essential feature of the invention resides in a novel construction of a pad of this character which is made in sections or separate sides adapted for use independently of each other, also adapted to be adjusted with relation to each other to conform to the different shapes of horse-saddles or to relieve animals having sore backs; and the invention consists in the arrangement and construction of the parts hereinafter set forth and specifically pointed out in the appended claim.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a top plan view of one of the sections of a gig-pad constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a front elevation of the invention as applied to a gig-saddle. Fig. 3 is a top plan view of the pad.

Referring to the drawings, the letter *c* indicates the sides or sections of the pad, each side being made of a suitable covering, of leather or the like, inclosing padding material arranged as found best in the practical embodiment of the invention. Each section of the pad is provided along one edge with a transversely-extending series of eyelets *a*, and straps *c'* are secured, respectively, in the

outermost eyelets *a*, lacings *b* being threaded through the remaining eyelets and extending from one side of the eyelets to the other when the pads are arranged adjacent each other, as shown in Fig. 3, whereby to adjustably secure said sections together. At the other end of each of the sections *c* of the gig-pad are secured two other straps *c'*, all of said straps being designed to be passed around the gig-saddle or back-band in order to detachably secure each side or section of the pad thereto. The adjustable connection constituted by the lacing *b* between two sections of the pad permits of the adjustment of the sections with relation one to the other, so that they may be made to conform to the back of the horse on which the pad is to be used. My invention also provides, as will be manifest, means whereby one of the sections may be used without the other when desired, owing to the provision of the two sets of engaging straps *c'*.

I claim as my invention—

As a new article of manufacture a gig-pad composed of separate sides or sections, the adjacent ends of said sections being provided with eyelets, straps *c'* secured respectively in the outermost eyelets at the said adjacent ends of the sections, lacings threaded through the remaining eyelets at the said ends of said sections and adjustably securing said sections together and other straps *c'* secured to the outer ends of each of said sections.

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