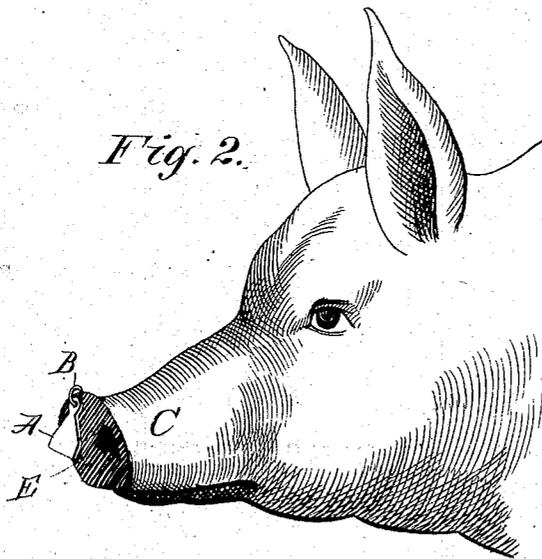
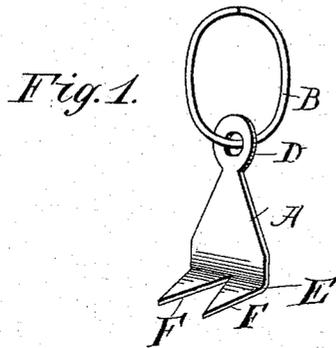


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE COLLINS, of La Grange, in the county of Lucas and State of Iowa, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hog-Nose Rings; and I do hereby declare that the following is a clear and exact description, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my hog-nose ring, and Fig. 2 a perspective view of the same applied.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both the figures.

My invention has relation to that class of hog-nose rings which are provided with sharp points to prevent the hog from rooting or lifting anything with its snout, while it does not interfere with the hog's feeding; and it consists in the improved construction of the same, as will be hereinafter more fully shown and described.

In the accompanying drawings, the letter B indicates a ring made of stout wire, the ends of which are introduced through the upper part of the snout C of the hog and brought together so as to remain there. Hanging from this ring is a metal plate, A, preferably made of steel, which has an eye, D, through which the ring passes. The plate is cut in one piece out of a piece of sheet metal, and its lower

part, E, is bent at right angles, or nearly so, to the plate, and cut to form two sharp points, F F.

When the device is to be applied the ring is introduced through the snout of the hog, and the plate hung on the ring in such a manner that the points will turn in toward the nostrils of the hog, as shown in Fig. 2, whereupon the ends of the ring are brought together to secure the device. It will now be impossible for the hog to press its snout against anything, either in rooting or in trying to lift or overturn anything, as the inwardly-bent points will be pressed against the snout and cause pain.

I am aware of the existence of nose-rings which are intended to have the same results; but

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

The hog-nose ring consisting of the ring B, adapted to be introduced through the snout of the hog, and the plate A, cut out of one piece of sheet metal, and consisting of the eye D, the plate proper, and the bifurcated part E, bent at right angles to the plate, and having the points F, adapted to press against the snout of the hog, substantially as and for the purpose shown and set forth.

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