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Fig. 1.

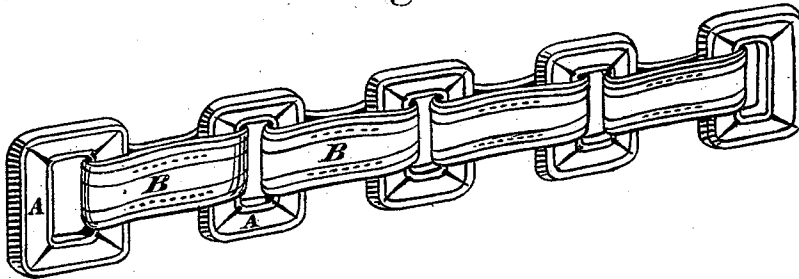
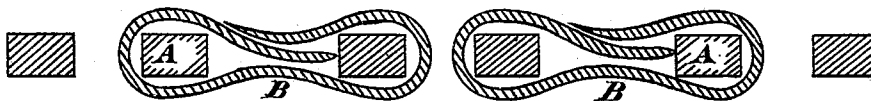


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern :

Be it known that I, JOHN FISCHER, of the city of Louisville, in the county of Jefferson and State of Kentucky, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Ornamental Harness; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the device, showing its general construction. Fig. 2 is a view of the same device, showing it in section.

This my invention relates to ornamental chains for harness, but more especially to a chain made of square links, cut from heavy leather. These links are connected by means of leather bands or straps passed through them and lapped down and sewed securely between them. The object of this my invention is to provide a leather ornamental chain as a substitute for the metal ones now in use for martingales, check-reins, front chains, and also for hip-straps of harness, and cross-straps for carriages and other similar purposes, that will be cheap, durable, and ornamental, and

at the same time be much lighter and more elastic, and not so liable to injure the horse by its use.

This device or chain may be made as described, or, if necessary, the square links may be made of metal in part, and coated with rubber or gilt, if desired; but in all cases must be connected by leather straps, as shown in the drawing.

The device will be found more fully illustrated in Figs. 1 and 2 of the drawing, in which A A are the square links, all of which are cut from heavy pieces of leather, and connected by means of leather strips or loops sewed securely between them, as shown in the drawing. B B are the connecting-loops above named.

Having thus fully described the nature and object of this my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The leather chain as above described, consisting in the links A A and B B, arranged, constructed, and operated substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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