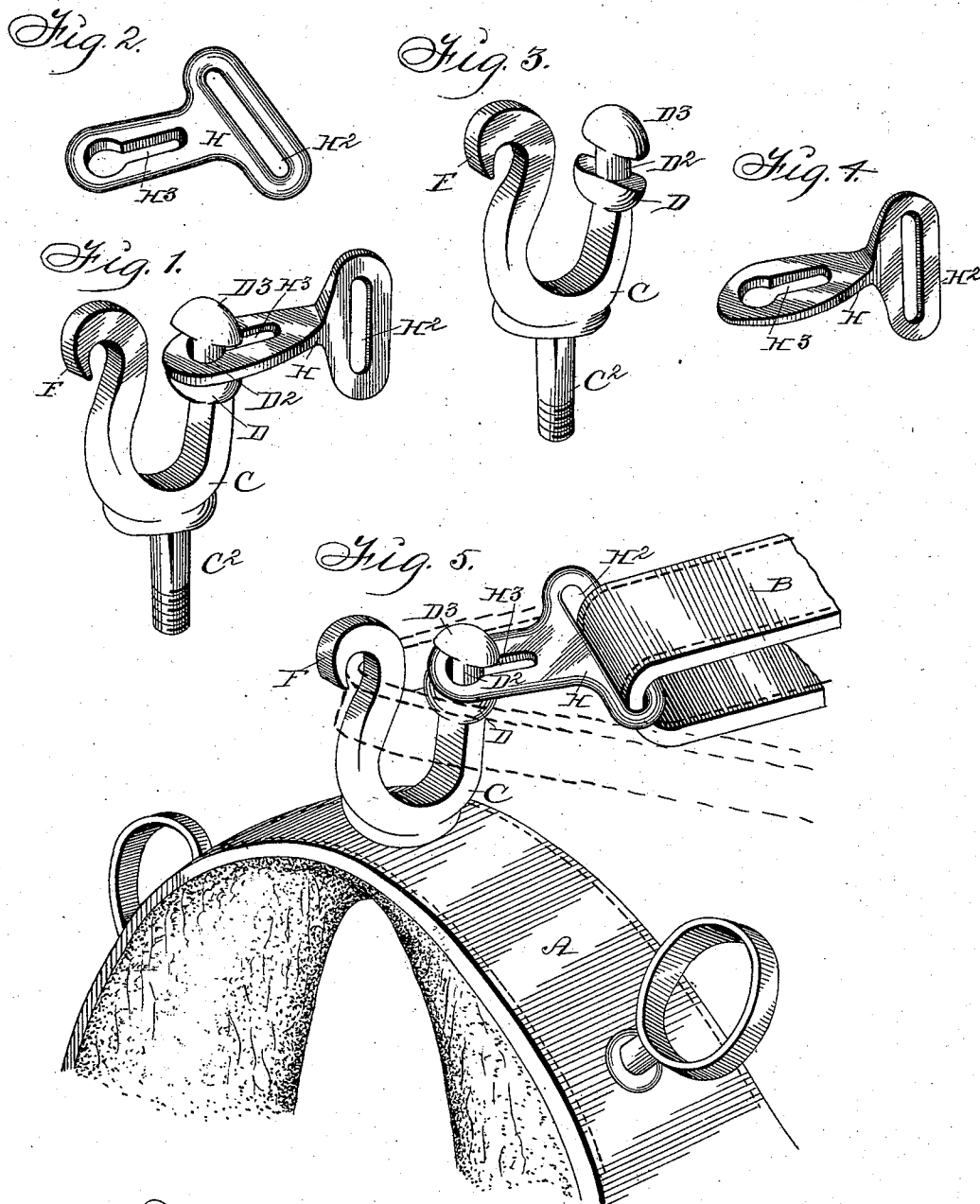


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY E. PATTERSON, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Hudson, in the county of Black Hawk and State of Iowa, have invented a new and useful Checkrein-Holder, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this invention is to provide a device of simple, cheap, and durable construction by which a readily-detachable connection is had between a checkrein and a harness-saddle and which cannot become detached by the ordinary movement of the checkrein, so that accidental or inadvertent detachment of the checkrein is practically impossible.

My invention consists in certain details of construction of the parts of which the device is formed, as hereinafter set forth, pointed out in my claim, and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 shows a perspective view of the complete device detached from a harness. Figs. 2 and 3 show perspective views of the two parts forming said device and separated from each other. Fig. 4 shows a perspective view of a modified form of that part of the device which attaches to the checkrein. Fig. 5 shows the complete device applied to the adjacent parts of a harness as in practical use, the dotted lines indicating a checkrein attached to the auxiliary hook on the part that attaches to the harness-saddle.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, the reference-letter A is used to indicate a harness-saddle of the usual kind.

B indicates a checkrein, also of the usual form.

C indicates an approximately U-shaped casting having on its under edge a screw-threaded projection C², designed to enter a screw-threaded opening in the saddle.

On the forward end of the part C a collar

D is formed near the upper end thereof and a rounded shank D² above the collar and an elongated rounded head D³ above the shank. On the opposite end of the part C is an upwardly and rearwardly and downwardly curved hook F, which may be temporarily utilized to hold a checkrein, as indicated by dotted lines in Fig. 5.

H indicates a plate having at one end a slot H², designed to admit a checkrein, and at its other end a slot H³, enlarged at its rear end and so shaped as to admit the head D³ when turned parallel with the saddle and when turned at right angles thereto be prevented from moving upwardly by said head D³.

It is obvious that the checkrein may be slackened and drawn tight, as is usual, in use without any danger of the plate H disengaging from the part C, and that the plate may readily be detached, when desired, by turning the plate H parallel with the saddle and then elevating same.

In Fig. 4 the modification consists in turning the end having the slot that receives the checkrein at right angles to the other part.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new therein, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States therefor, is—

A checkrein-holder comprising a shank designed to be secured in a harness-saddle, an integral U-shaped part, a collar near one end thereof, an elongated head therein, a rearwardly and downwardly turned hook on the top of the other end, and a device having a slot in one end designed to admit the head on one end of the U-shaped part, and having a slot in its other end to admit a checkrein-strap, substantially as set forth.

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