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HALTERS.

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Fig. 1.

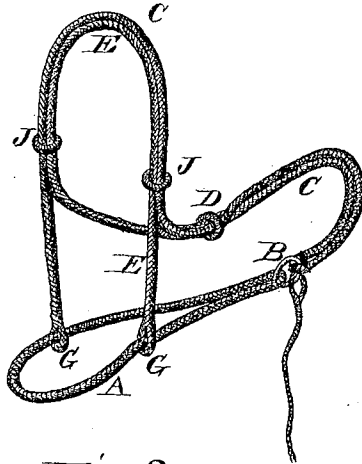
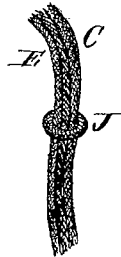


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN HALTERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FERDINAND R. BOWDOW, of Newtown Stephensburg, in the county of Frederick, and in the State of Virginia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Halter; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction and arrangement of a halter, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my halter, and Fig. 2 is a detached view of a part thereof.

A represents the nose-strap, having its ends fastened to a ring, B. To this ring are also fastened the ends of the throat-latch straps C C, which are made to pass over the back of the neck of the horse, and their other ends form the cheek-pieces E E, with loops G G, through which the nose-strap A passes.

On the throat-latch is a sliding loop, D, as shown, to make that part which goes over the

horse's head larger or smaller, as required. On each side the straps C E are held together by means of a loop, J, which is movable on them, as required.

It will be seen that my halter is formed of three straps only, and that the straps can easily be adjusted, so that the halter will fit any horse by simply sliding or moving the loops D and J J, as well as the loops G G of the cheek-pieces. By sliding the loop D down on the throat-latch, the halter can be put on the horse, and, when put on, the loop D is moved up again to fasten the halter.

The three straps of the halter may be made of leather, rope, or any other suitable material.

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

A halter composed of the three straps A, C E, and C E, with the ring B and loops D, G G, and J J, substantially as and for the purposes herein set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 15th day of August, 1876.

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