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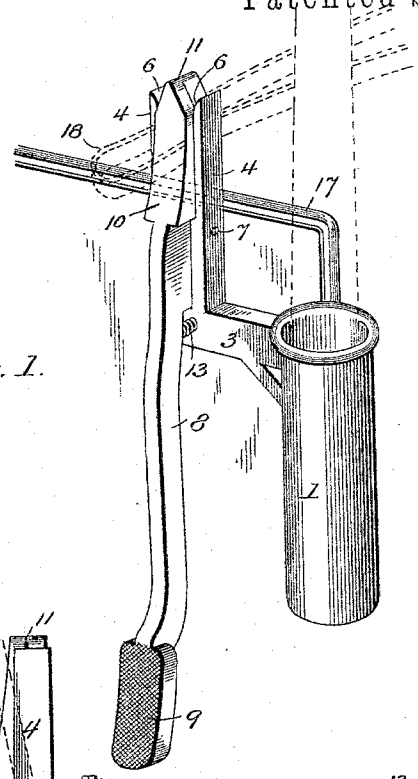


Fig. 1.

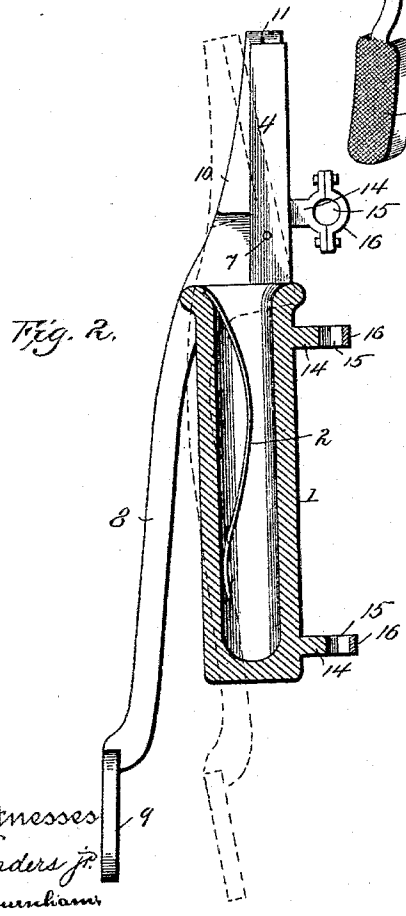


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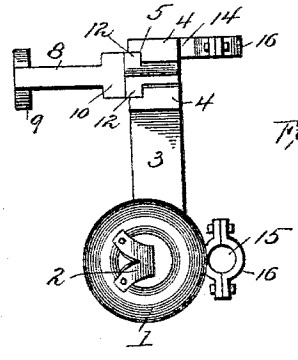


Fig. 3.

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## REIN-HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, LOUIS M. SCHULZ, a citizen of the United States, residing at Edgerton, in the county of Johnson and State of Kansas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Combined Whip-Socket and Rein-Holder, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to whip-sockets, and has in addition thereto a simple yet positive means for retaining or holding the reins, thus preventing the occurrence of runaways caused by reins dropping under the horses' feet while the driver may be engaged otherwise than in holding the same.

In describing my invention I will make use of the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the invention as secured to a buggy-dashboard. Fig. 2 is a sectional view thereof. Fig. 3 is a top view of the same.

In the several views the same numeral indicates the same part.

1 represents a whip-socket of well-known form with a retaining-spring 2 and from the side of which projects the arm 3, bearing the vertical parallel jaws 4, with the vertically-rabbeted seats 5 and the outwardly-rounded ends 6. Pivotally secured to the arm 3 at 7 is the vertical lever 8, with a foot-plate 9 and a head 10, with the spear-pointed end 11 and the parallel projecting beads 12, disposed upon opposite sides, the said head 10 being adapted to rest between the jaws 4, so the beads 12 rest in the rabbets 5 thereof. A coil-spring 13 presses the said head 10 into its seat.

Upon the whip-socket and also the arm 3 are the projecting lugs 14, with rounded recesses 15 and yokes 16, adapted to be bolted to said lugs in such manner as to engage the dash-rail 17 and secure the entire device thereto.

It will be readily understood that by pressing the foot-plate 9 the head 10 is separated from the jaws 4, and the reins 18 may be inserted between the same, the spring 13 operating to pinch same into a firm position between the said head and said jaws.

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

The combination of a whip-socket, the lugs integral with the socket and the yokes therefor adapted to embrace the dash-rail, lateral arm 3 integral to the said socket and provided with vertical parallel jaws having rabbeted seats 5, a lever with a head adapted to enter between the jaws and provided with beads 12 at its sides adapted to rest in the rabbets 5, a pivot securing the said lever in its correlation to the jaws, a foot-plate 9 at the end of the said lever, and a spring adapted to engage the said head with the said jaws, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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