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REIN HOLDER.

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Fig. 1.

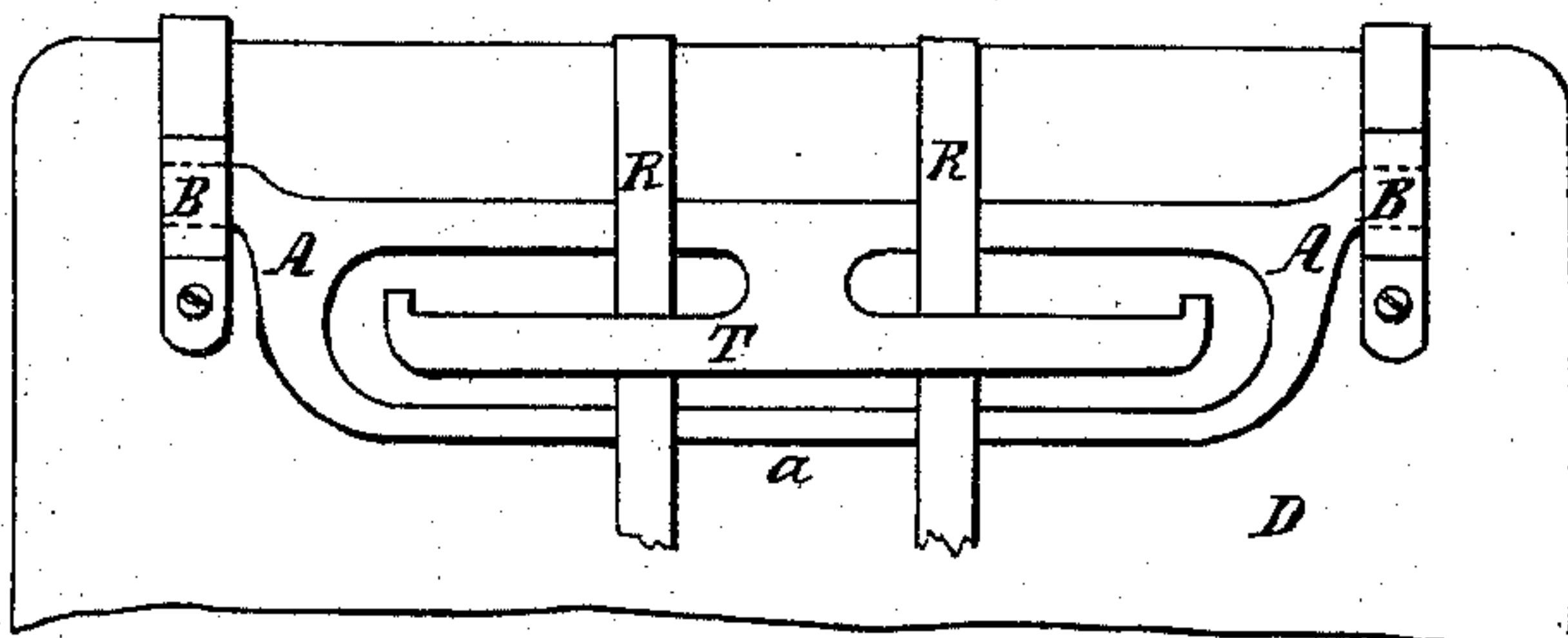


Fig. 2.

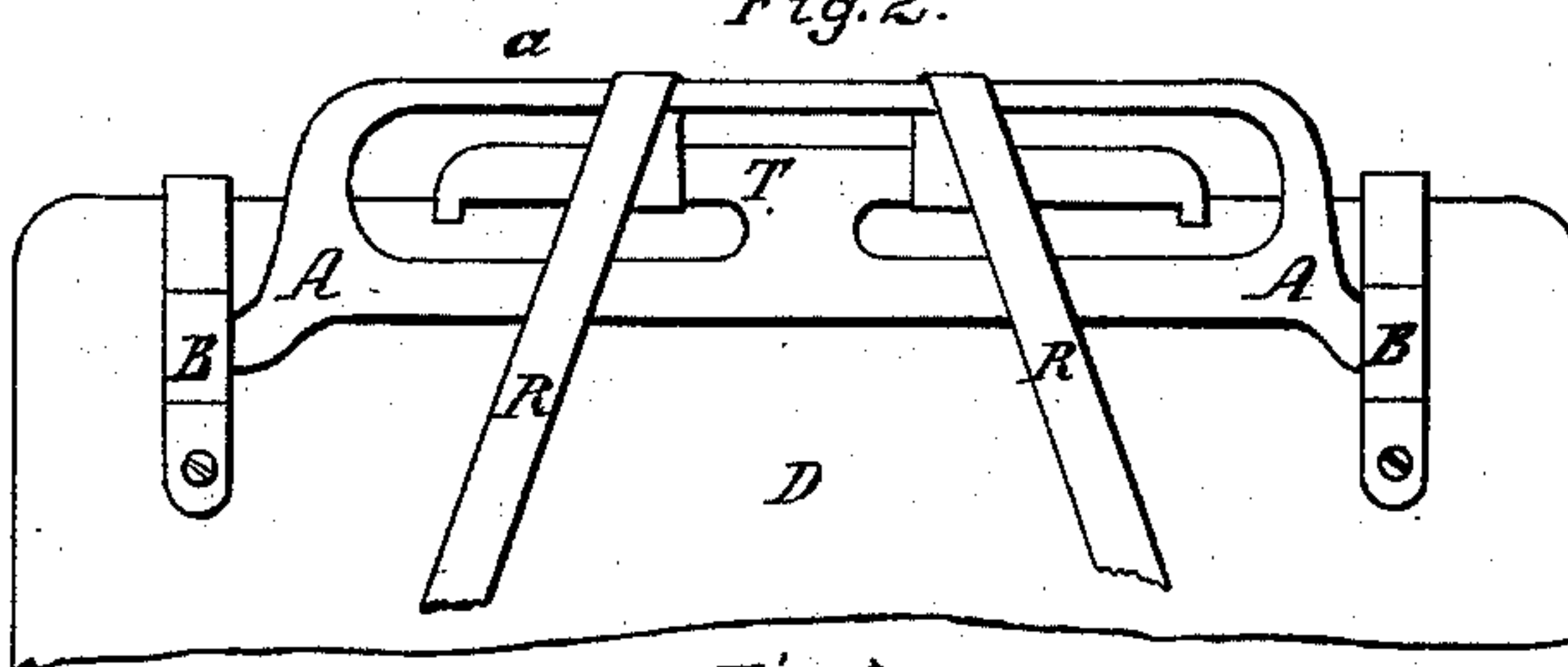


Fig. 3.

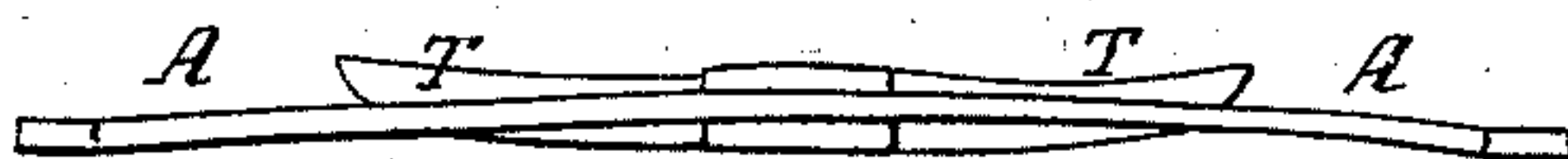


Fig. 5.

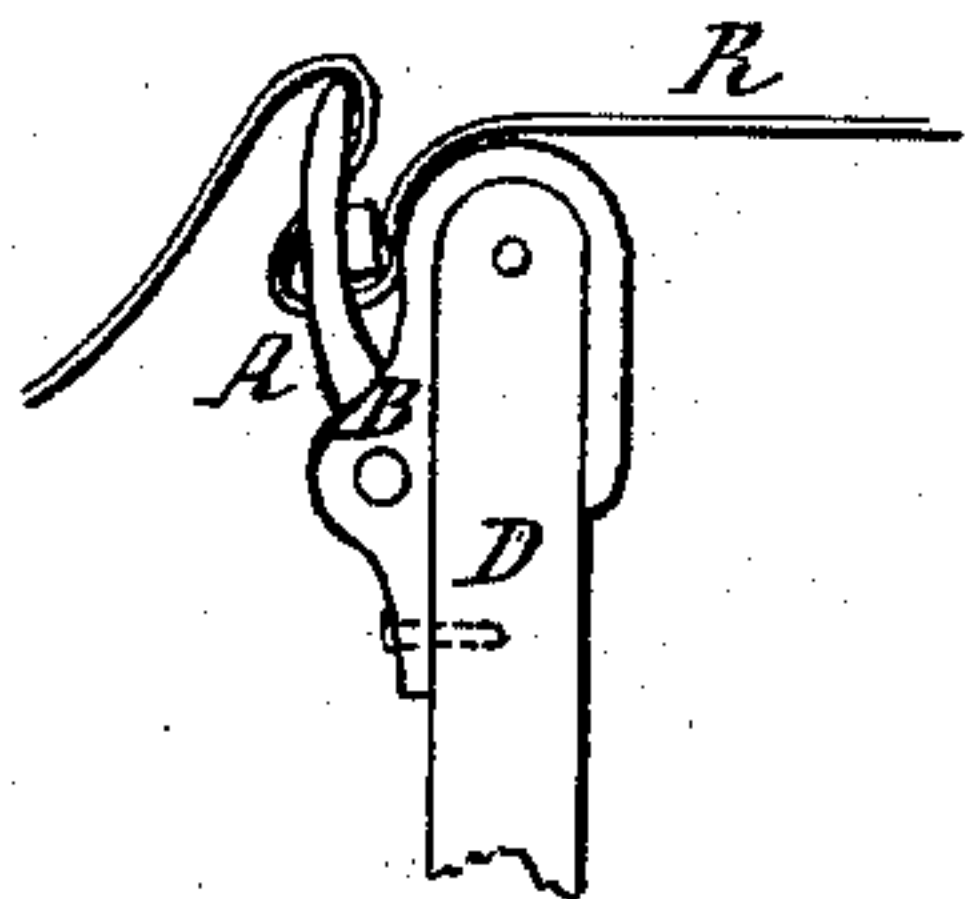
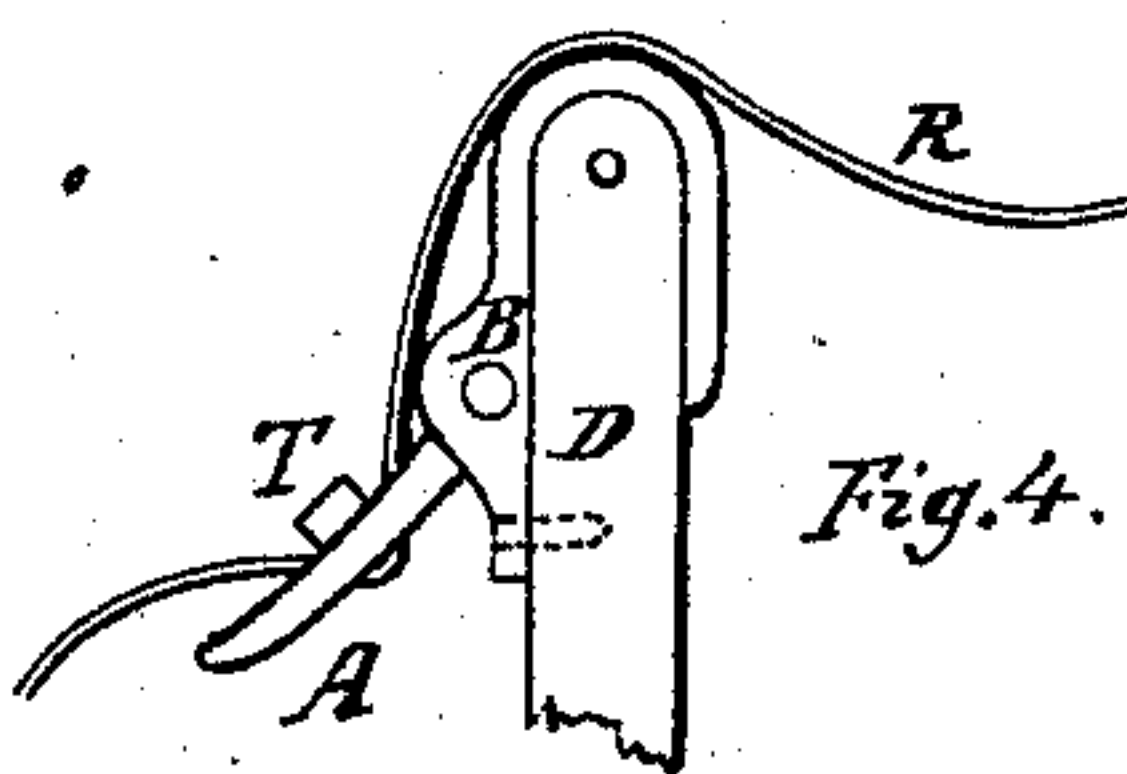


Fig. 4.



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IMPROVEMENT IN REIN-HOLDER.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, J. SCOTT RUSS, of Rensselaerville, in the county of Albany, and State of New York, have invented a new and improved Rein-Holder; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

This invention consists in constructing an oscillating rein-holder, which may be attached to the dash-board or front part of a carriage or wagon, and which will allow of sufficient motion to the head of the horse to prevent him from being uneasy while standing, and at the same time secure the reins from being jerked or switched out of the carriage. It can also be used wherever such a device may be serviceable in riding or driving.

This rein-holder consists of a simple framework of malleable iron or other suitable metal, (which may be cast in one piece,) having in the middle thereof a T-shaped tongue, and so constructed that it may be suspended in two eyes attached to the dash-board of a carriage, or placed in any other position where it may be serviceable in holding reins.

In Figure 1 the rein-holder A A is shown attached to the dash-board D by being suspended in the eyes B-B, and when at rest is in the position shown in Figure 4. From this position it can be partly revolved, so as to occupy the position shown in Figures 2 and 5. The reins are then held firm by the pressure against the edge of the dash-board. This oscillation of the holder allows of sufficient motion of the horse's head, which would not be the case if the reins were held in a rigid state. When attached to a dash-board it should be placed on the inside far enough down to have the tongue T about its own thickness below the upper edge of the dash-board when the holder is turned up, as shown in figs. 2 and 5. This secures sufficient pressure against the dash-board to hold the reins tight, the hold upon the reins being in proportion to the strain brought to bear upon them.

In its use it is only necessary to pass the reins R R in at the ends of the tongue T, (which are slightly turned up, as shown in Figure 3,) and slip them towards the middle thereof, as shown in fig. 1. To adjust to reins of different thickness it is only necessary to bend the rein *a* out or in slightly.

From the simplicity and durability of this holder it is believed to be superior to any now in use.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The rein-holder A A, having a T-shaped tongue, constructed substantially as herein set forth.

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