

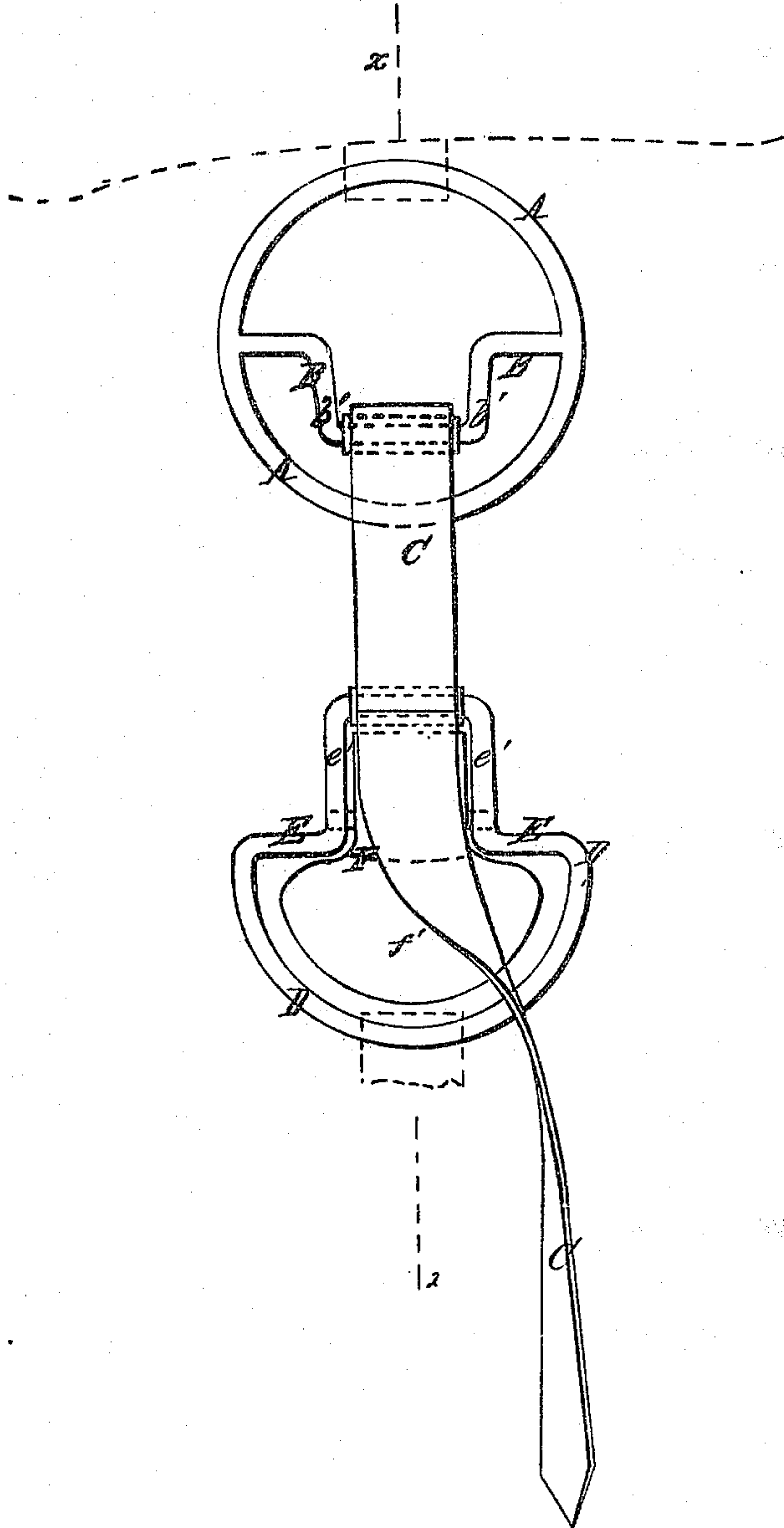
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*Belly Band Fastener.*

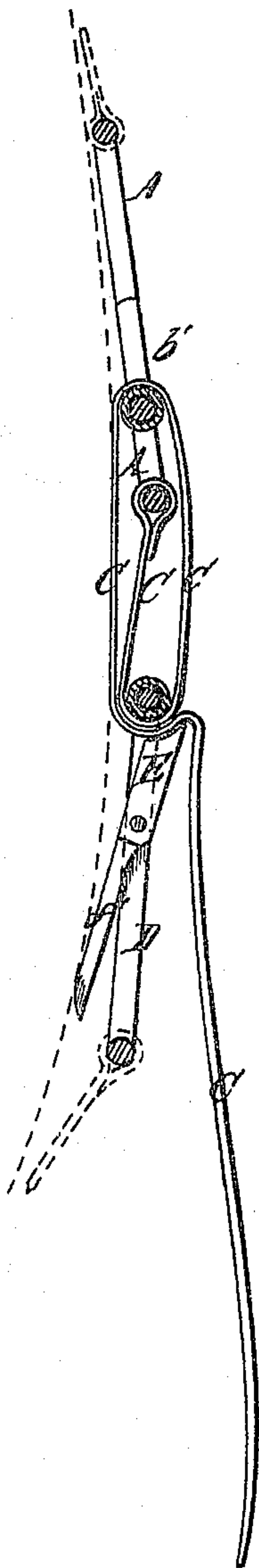
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



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## IMPROVED BELLY-BAND FASTENER.

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, CHARLES H. HORNE, of Astoria, in the county of Clatsop, and State of Oregon, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Sinch or Belly-Band Fastener for Riding and Pack-Saddles; 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 part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a front view of my improved fastener.

Figure 2 is a detail sectional view of the same, taken through the line *x x*, fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

My invention has for its object to furnish an improved fastener for sinching up riding and pack-saddles, which shall be simple in construction, and convenient and effective in use; and

It consists in the fastener, constructed as hereinafter more fully described.

A represents the upper ring or part of the fastener, which is fastened to the saddle by a strap passing around the upper part of the ring A, or by other convenient means.

The ring A is made with a cross-bar or arm, B, which is made with an offset or loop, *b'*, to receive the strap C, said offset or loop *b'* being provided with a roller to protect the strap from wear when being used.

D is the lower ring or part of the fastener, which may be made in the form of a ring, but which I prefer to make in the form of a half ring, as shown in fig. 1.

The cross-arm or straight side E of the part D is made with an offset or loop, *e'*, to receive the strap C, said loop or offset being provided with a roller to protect the said strap from wear.

F is the catch for holding the strap or lattigo C when the saddle is sinched up, which is pivoted to the cross-bar or side E of the part D, at or about the lower angles of said bar or side.

The upper edge of the catch F is grooved, to correspond with the bar E, to enable it to grasp and hold the strap C more firmly.

The lower part or lip, *f'*, of the catch F is made broad and heavy, to hold the said catch firmly against the strap C, and also for convenience in loosening the said catch in unsinching the saddle.

If desired, the catch F may be pivoted to another cross-bar, crossing the part D below the bar E, but I prefer the construction first described, as being simpler and equally effective.

In sinching up the saddle, the free end of the strap or lattigo C, the other end of which is secured to the lower part of the upper ring A, is passed through the loop or offset of the lower part D E, from the inside.

It is then passed through the loop or offset of the upper part A B, from the outside, and again through the loop or offset of the lower part D E, from the inside, and the catch F *f'* holds it securely, thus furnishing a neat, simple, convenient, reliable, and effective sinch or belly-band fastener.

Having thus described my invention,

I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

An improved sinch or belly-band fastener, A, B, D, E, F, constructed and operating in connection with the strap or lattigo C, substantially as herein shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

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