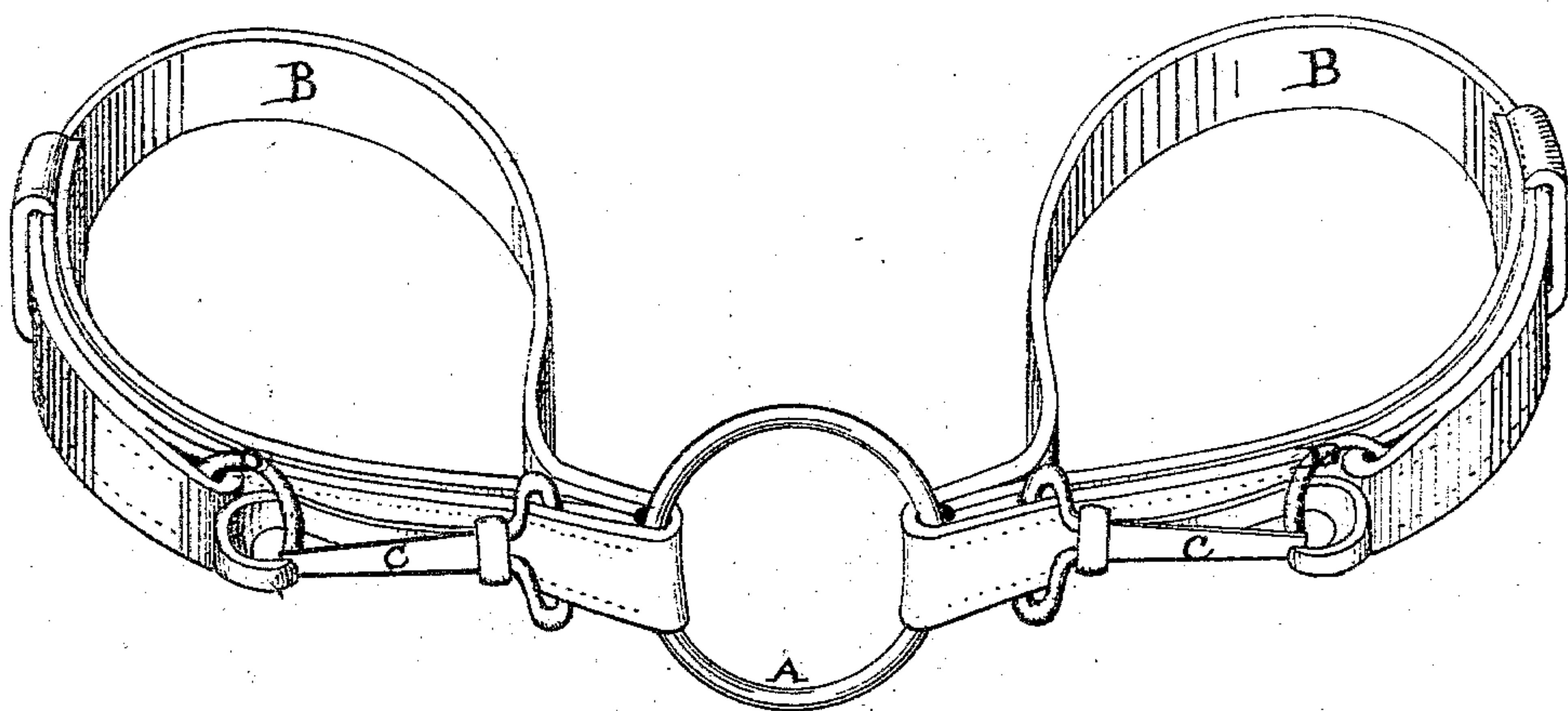


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE LEE BRENT, of Gordonsville, in the county of Orange and State of Virginia, have invented an Improved Animal Tether, which I denominate "The Prairie Tether;" and I do hereby declare the following to be a full and correct description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing which is a perspective view of the instrument.

My improved tether consists of a metallic ring, A, about an inch and a half in diameter, having attached to either side of it a leather strap, B, about nine inches long and one inch in width, which is intended to pass around the leg of the horse just below the fetlock. Each strap B is secured by a spring-catch, C, which receives a small ring, D, attached to the free end of the strap, as shown. The spring-catch

C is attached to the central ring A, and, when the tether is on the horse, is furthest under him, the ring A being equidistant from his fore legs.

The tether can be applied in an instant, and when not in use can be clasped to the throat-latch under the neck, where it is quite ornamental and always at hand when needed.

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

A tether, composed of the ring A, straps B B, clasps C C, and rings D D, arranged and united in the manner and for the purpose specified.

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