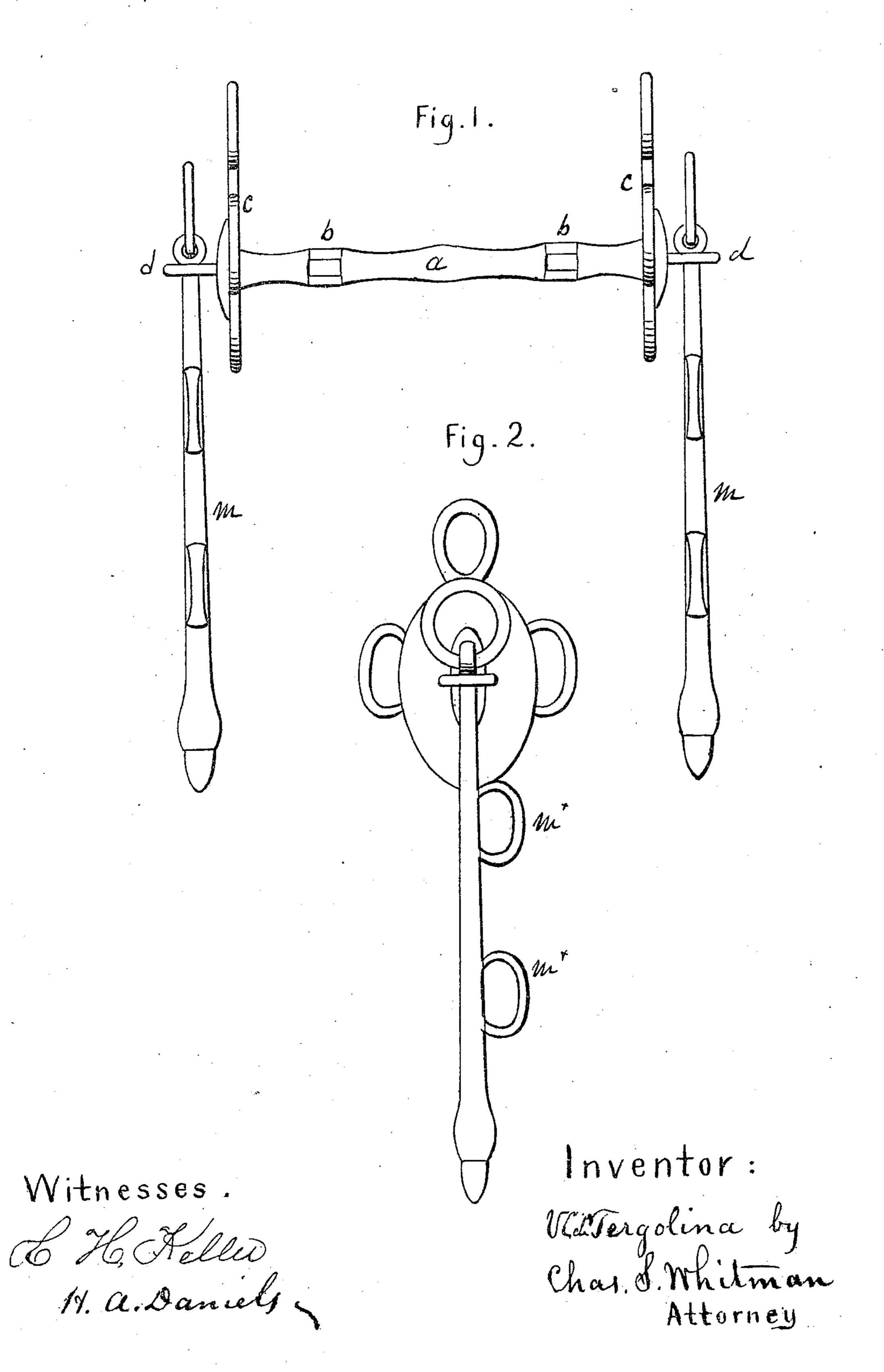
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IMPROVEMENT IN BRIDLE-BITS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, VINCENZO COUNT DI TERGOLINA, of Bernard Street, in the county of Middlesex and Kingdom of Great Britain, have invented Improvements in the Construction of Bits for Horses and Animals, of which the following is a specification:

My invention relates to bits for horses; and the nature thereof consists in certain improvements in the construction of the same, hereinafter described.

In the accompanying drawing, illustrating a bit with my improvements applied thereto, a is the middle member of the mouth-bar, with joints at b, and beyond which the bar is continued in each direction, and united to the cheek-plates c c and the lugs or eye-pieces d on the plates. m m are the improved side levers, shown as constructed of a somewhat ornamental pattern, but notably much stouter

or heavier at the lower ends than at the upper. The upper ends, furnished with rings for attachment of head-strap, pass through the lugs d on the plates. $m^{\times} m^{\times}$ are eyes for rings or straps, for application of the reins at different degrees of leverage. The side levers may taper regularly or irregularly, or may be loaded by an applied or forged-on weight, ornamental or plain.

In conclusion, I claim—

In combination with the cheek-plates c, the loose side levers m, as and for the purpose described.

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