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REIN-HOLDER.

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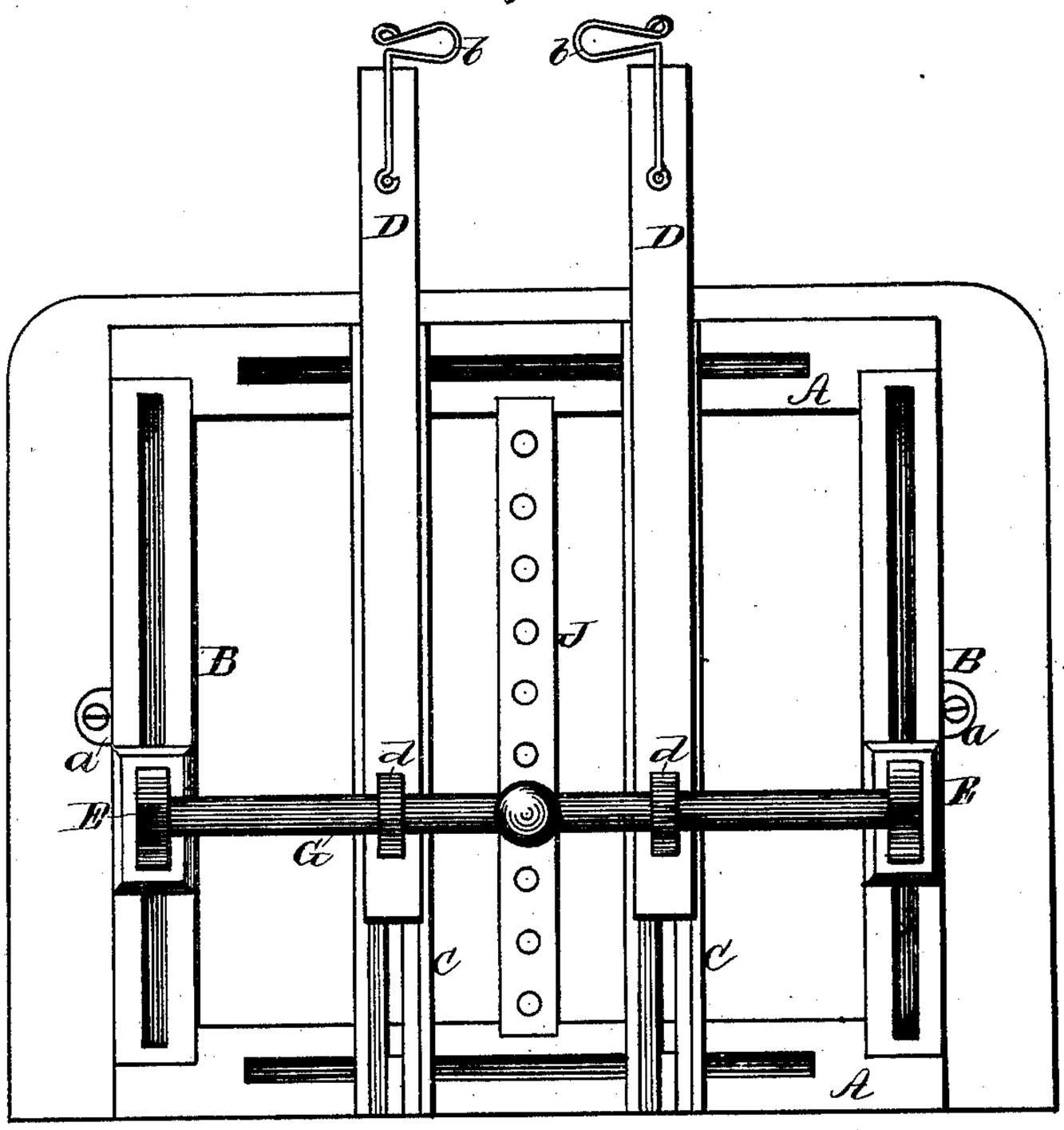
Fig. 1.



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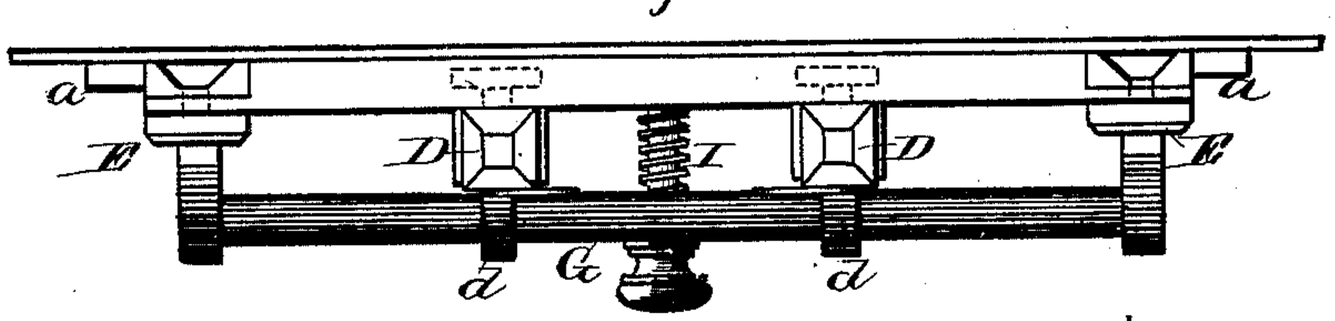

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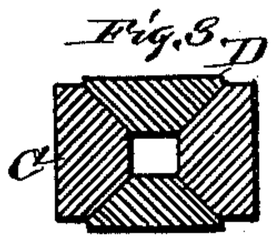

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IMPROVEMENT IN REIN-HOLDERS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. **176,080**, dated April 11, 1876; application filed September 22, 1875.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHRISTIAN SIEBKE, of Wheeling, county of Ohio and State of West Virginia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Rein-Holder and Elevator, of which the following is a specification:

The nature of my invention consists in the construction and arrangement of an adjustable rein-holder, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawing which forms a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of my rein-holder. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the same. Fig. 3 is a cross-section of one of the movable vertical standards.

In my rein-holder I employ a frame consisting of two horizontal bars, A A, connected at their ends by vertical bars B B, all of which are slotted longitudinally, and the side bars B, provided with ears *a a*, to be fastened by screws or otherwise to the dash-board of the vehicle. C C are two vertical standards, held by means of headed pins or other suitable means to the horizontal bars A A, so that they can be moved laterally right or left, as desired. The standards C C are grooved on both sides and slotted for the reception of slides D D, which may be constructed in any suitable manner so as to move up and down in the standards without coming apart from the same. At the upper end of each slide D is attached a wire catch or holder, *b*, in which the reins may be caught and held. Near the lower end of each slide is a projection, *d*, through which passes a horizontal bar or rod, G, which is fastened at its ends to slides E E, placed in the vertical bars B B of the frame. In the center of the rod or bar G is a spring-pin, I, the inner end of which enters a perforated vertical bar, J, connecting the horizontal bars A A of the frame at or near the center.

When the reins are placed one in each of the catches or holders *b*, the slides D D may be raised to any desired height by simply pulling on the spring-pin I and raising them up. Said spring-pin, entering another of the holes in the bar J, holds or locks the slides D at the desired altitude. The driver can then with his feet move the standards away from or toward each other so as to bring the lines closer together or farther apart, as desired. This rein-holder may be attached to any dash-board; or in making new dash-boards, the frame thereof may be constructed to constitute the frame A B, as herein described.

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

1. In a rein-holder vertically-adjustable slides carrying the reins and sliding laterally-movable standards, substantially for the purposes herein set forth.

2. The combination of the slotted frame A B, laterally-movable standards C C, and vertically-adjustable slides D D, with the catches or holders *b b* at their upper ends, substantially as and for the purposes herein set forth.

2. The combination of the slides D D, with projections *d d*, the rod or bar G, slides E E, spring-pin I, and perforated bar J, substantially as and for the purposes herein set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention, I hereunto affix my signature this 21st day of September, 1875.

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