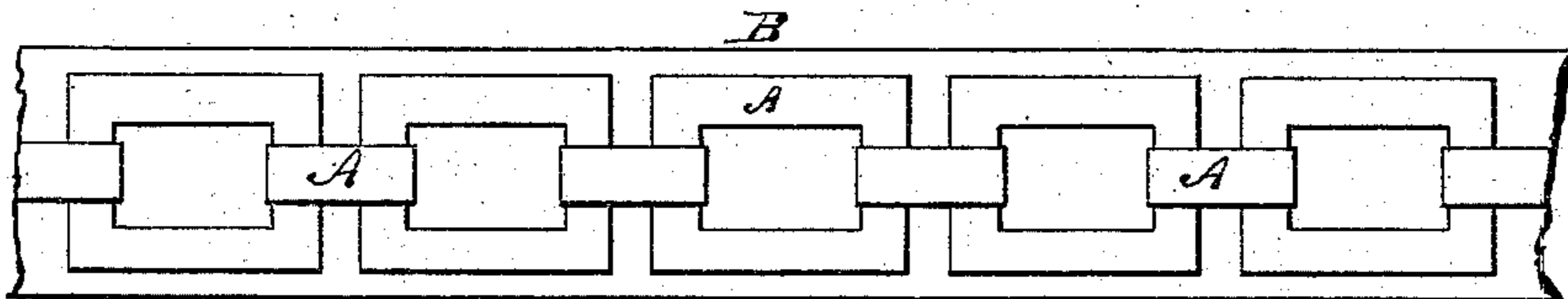


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## IMPROVEMENT IN HARNESS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FREDRICK REYNOLD, of the city of Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Harness; 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 which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to certain improvements in ornamental mounting for harness, the object of which is to add to the beauty and variety of said ornamentation, and at the same time to reduce the weight and cost of the article.

The accompanying drawing illustrates, to a certain extent, the nature and character of my improvements, and represents a portion of the "head-piece" of a horse's bridle provided with an ornament such as is contemplated in my invention, which consists in an imitation of a solid open-linked metallic chain, A, which is struck up from thin sheet metal, in various forms, handsomely plated or galvanized, and

secured to the leather head-piece B of the bridle, or other portions of the harness, as may be desired, substantially as indicated in the drawing, constituting a very handsome as well as durable and cheap ornament, and imparting to the harness a unique and beautiful appearance.

It may here be observed that the chain is formed in one continuous piece, and that while the removal of the parts constituting the open work or "fret-work" greatly reduces the weight and expense, it leaves sufficient to impart stiffness to the leather and to serve as a means of ornamenting the same.

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

The combination of the leather piece B of a harness and the metal plate A, cut away to reduce the weight, and formed to constitute an ornamental stiffening, as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I hereto affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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