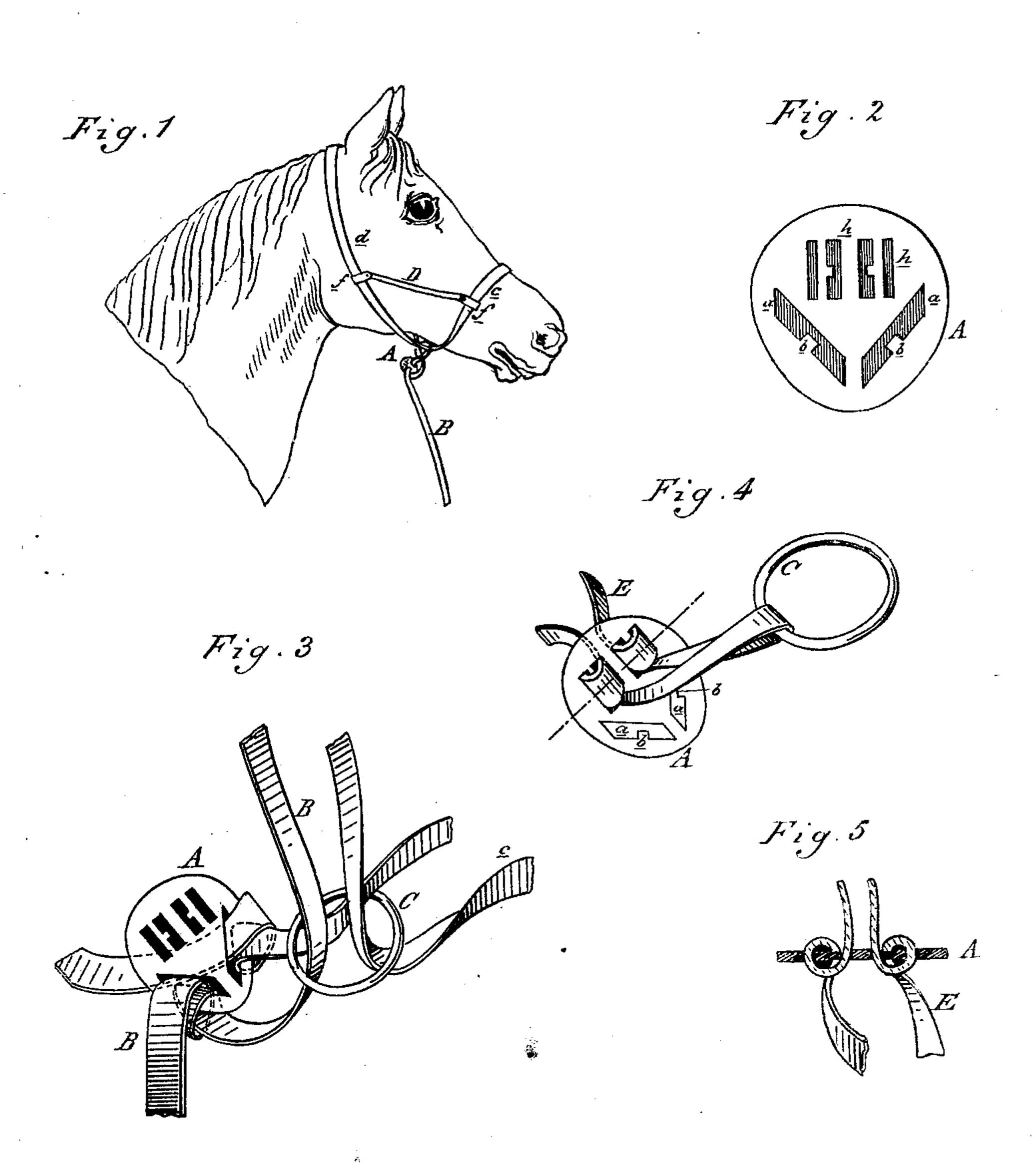
## S. S. LELAND. Halter.

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## IMPROVEMENT IN HALTERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Somers S. Leland, of Quincy, in the county of Branch and State of Michigan, have invented an Improvement in Halters, of which the following is a specification:

The nature of this invention relates to an improvement in the construction of halters; and the invention consists, first, in the peculiar slotted fastening-plate; and, second, in the peculiar halter composed of a continuous strap, a ring, and a slotted plate, as fully hereinafter explained.

Figure 1 represents my improved halter as adjusted to a horse. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the fastening-plate. Fig. 3 is an enlarged perspective of the strap, ring, and fastening-plate. Fig. 4 is a perspective view, showing a strap adjusted to prevent the ring from slipping. Fig. 5 is a section on line xx, in Fig. 4.

In the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, A represents a metallic plate, in which are cut the two slots a, which are provided with the stude b.

A strap, B, of leather or other suitable material, has one end secured in one of the slots a, a hole in said strap engaging with one of the studs b. The strap is carried forward through a ring, C, and back, forming the nosenoose c, thence upward and back through the ring, forming the head-noose d, to the slot a,

upon the opposite side of the plate  $\Lambda$ , where it is secured, as before described, the remaining portion of the strap serving as a tie-strap.

If desired, sliding metallic loop-bands f may be put upon the sides of the nose and head-loops, and be connected together by cheek-straps D, which will retain the nose-loop in its proper position upon the nose of the animal wearing the halter.

After the halter has been adjusted to fit a certain animal, if desired, a small strap, E, may be passed through the ring C, and secured in the slots h of the plate A, which will keep the parts in their relative positions as adjusted.

By this manner of constructing a halter a great amount of labor and material is saved.

What I claim as my invention is—
1. In a halter composed of a continuous strap, the fastening-plate A, having slots a and studs b, to which the ends of such strap are secured, substantially as described and shown.

2. A halter composed of the continuous strap B, ring C, and plate A, provided with the slots a and studs b, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

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