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Fig. 1.

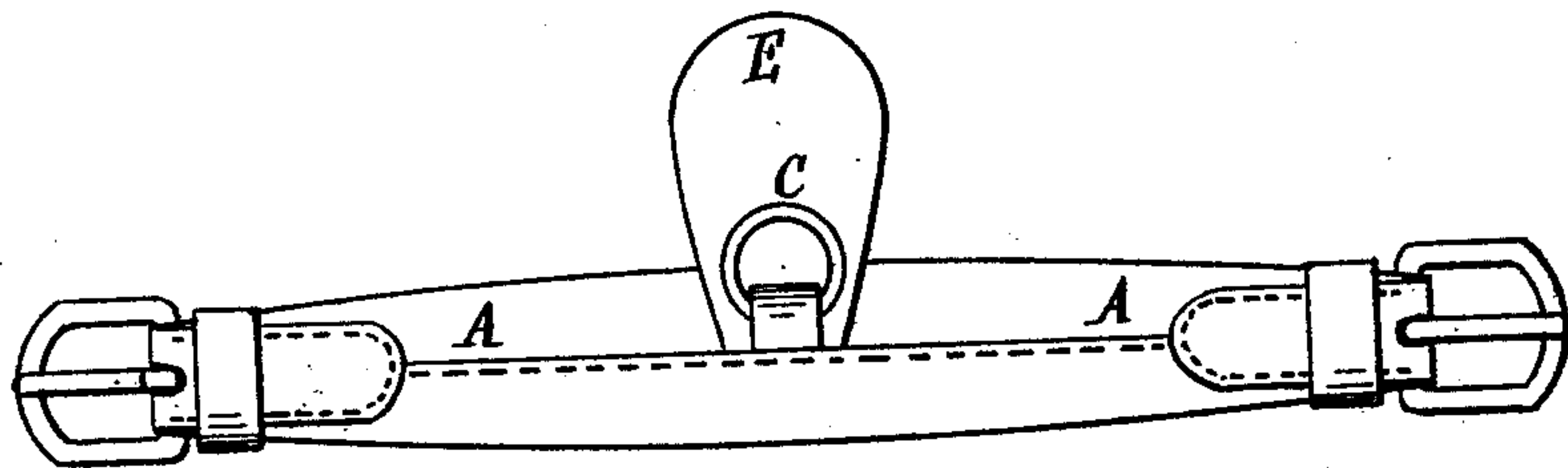
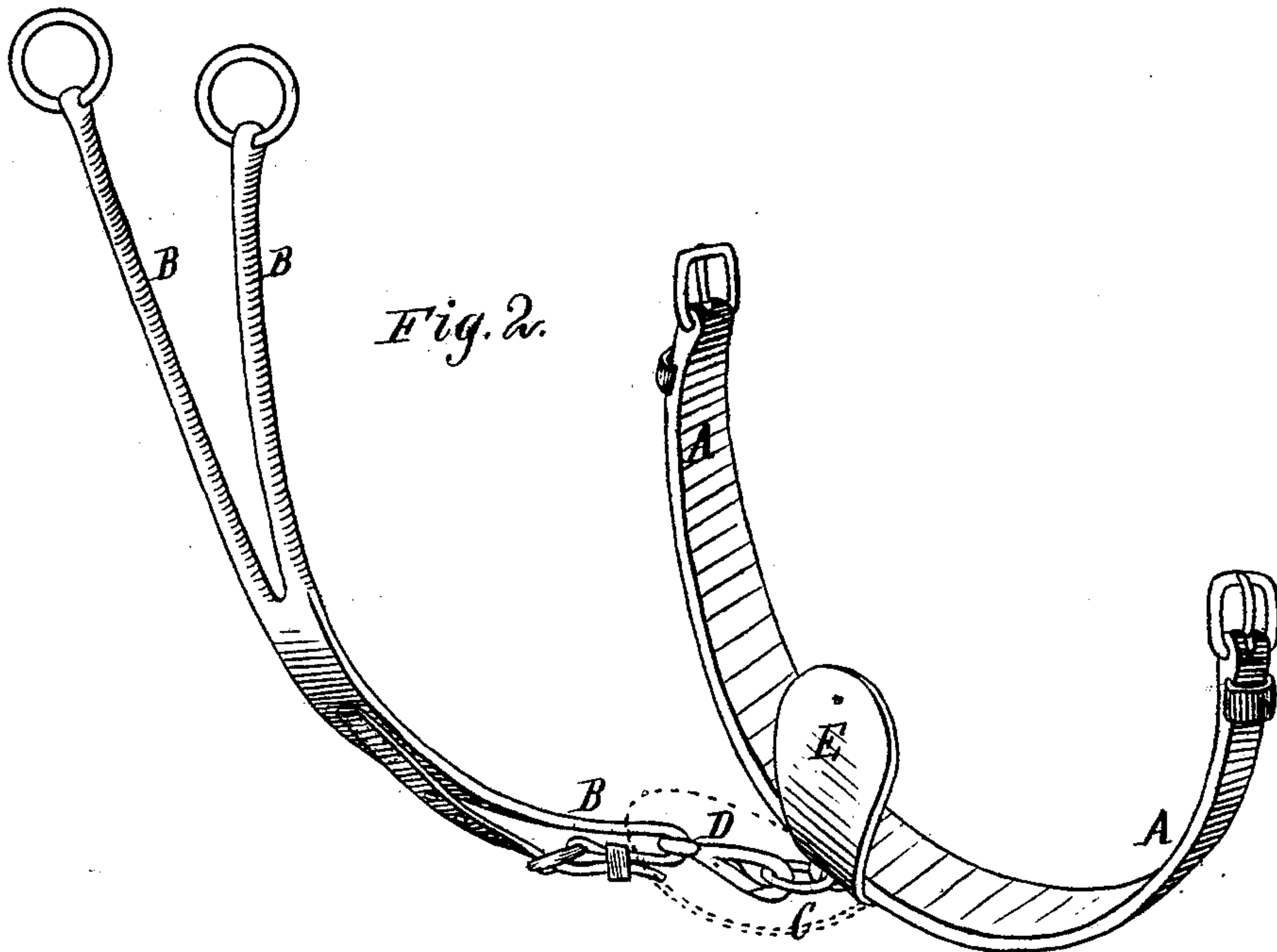


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN HARNESS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES R. STANHOPE, of Ashtabula, in the county of Ashtabula and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Harness, of which the following is a specification.

Figure 1 is a detail view of a belly-band to which a part of my improvement has been applied. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of a belly-band and martingale to which my improvement has been applied.

The object of this invention is to furnish an improved means for connecting the belly-band or girth and the martingale of a harness, the use of which will allow them to be disconnected without unbuckling the belly-band or girth, and which will prevent the horse from being chafed by the martingale interposed between the belly-band or girth and his body.

The invention consists in the combination of the ring, the snap-hook, and the flap with the belly-band or girth, and the martingale of a harness, as hereinafter fully described.

A represents the belly-band, and B the martingale, of a harness, which are made in the usual way.

To the center of the belly-band A is secured by a leather loop, or other suitable means, a ring, C, to receive a snap-hook, D, through the eye of which is buckled the martingale B, so that the said martingale can be lengthened or shortened, as may be required.

With this construction the martingale B is attached to and detached from the belly-band or girth A by springing the hook D into and out of the ring C without disturbing the belly-band or girth.

To the belly-band or girth A is attached a flap, E, which comes between the ring and snap-hook C D and the body of the horse, and thus prevents the horse from being chafed by the said ring and snap-hook.

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

The combination of the ring C, the snap-hook D, and the flap E with the belly-band or girth A and the martingale B, substantially as herein shown and described.

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