A. D. MARTIN. Saddle-Blanket.

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Fig.1.

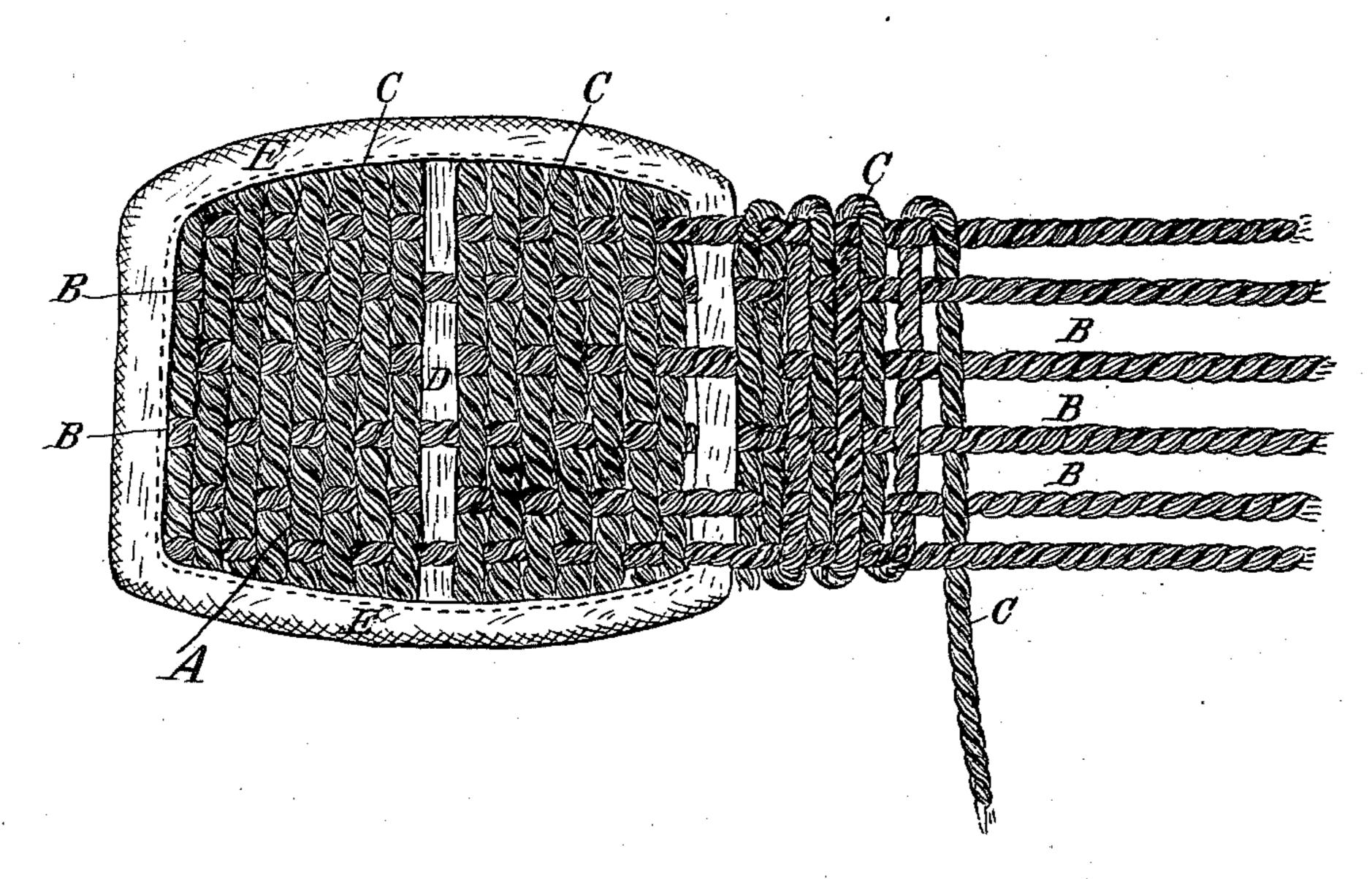


Fig.2.

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SADDLE-BLANKET.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANDREW D. MARTIN, of Abbeville, in the parish of Vermillion and State of Louisiana, have invented a new and 5 Improved Saddle-Blanket, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a new and improved saddle-blanket which is

light, cheap, and durable.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a plan view of my improved saddle-blanket. Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate corre-

15 sponding parts.

The blanket A is woven on a hand or machine loom, with strands twisted out of black Spanish moss. The warp B is of sufficient length for a number of blankets, and the weft 20 C is then interwoven with it, as shown, and the blankets are cut off at the desired length when completed. A strand of cloth, F F, is woven in between the weft at the ends of each blanket, and one or more strands, D, of cloth 25 or some similar material are woven into the

middle of the blanket. The edges of the blanket are trimmed with a binding, E E, of cloth, leather, oil-cloth, or some similar material.

The blankets may be woven so that the weft increases in thickness from the ends toward 30 the center.

The advantages of my improved saddleblankets, made of Spanish moss, are the following: They are light, very cheap, and durable; they do not create heat like the saddle- 35 blankets of wool, felt, or similar material; they absorb the perspiration of the animal, and are always cool.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Let- 40

ters Patent, is—

A saddle-blanket consisting of the twisted strands of moss B C, the end strands of cloth, F, the middle strand of cloth, D, and the binding E, as shown and described.

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