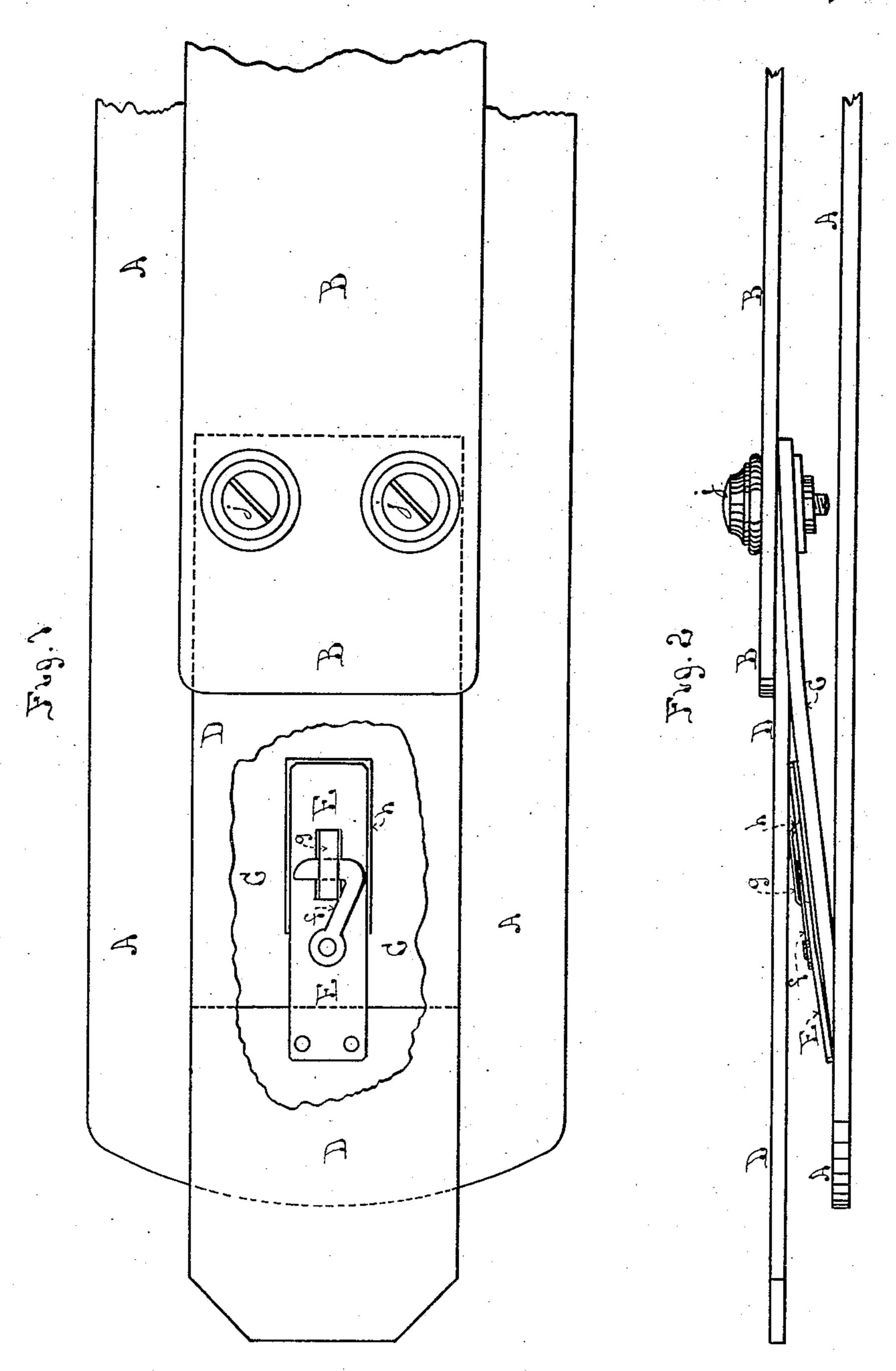
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HARNESS-PAD ATTACHMENT.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, George Theobald, of Boston, county of Suffolk, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Harness-Pad Attachments, of which the following is a specification.

Before my invention the housing was attacked to the pad-bottom by a leather loop fast10 ened to the housing and surrounding the padbottom, and the housing was also attached to
the pad-top by another loop, called the "crupper-loop" or "housing-fastener," serving to
keep the housing in place. By my method of
15 attachment the loops at the pad-top and padbottom are done away with and the pad presents a neater finish. The housing is also more
firmly attached to the pad-bottom than by the
leather loop formerly used, as the loop would
20 stretch and yield to the movement of the pad.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a plan view, and Fig. 2 is a side elevation, of my improvement.

A represents the housing; BB, the pad top and bottom. C is the socket-piece screwed to the pad-top. D is the pad-side, broken to show the improvement. E is the metallic fastener, which may be riveted at the end to the bottom of the housing, and attached to the socket-piece by the hook f and loop or eye g, raised from a bed-plate, h, riveted in the socket-piece; or the metallic fastener may have a cross-bar riveted on each side of the fastener, and a tongue or pin entering a slot made in the fastener and socket-piece.

j j are the ornamental heads of the screws holding the pad-top and bottom pad-side and socket-piece together.

The fastener may be made of leather, if desired, and sewed to the bottom of the housing. 40

To describe the construction and operation of my improvement, I rivet a bed-plate, h, to the socket-piece C, having an eye or raised loop, g. The metallic plate E is then placed over the bed-plate h and riveted at the lower end 45 to the housing, the raised loop g passing up through a slot in the metallic plate E. Attached to the plate E is a hook, f, which, passing through the raised loop g, fastens the socket-piece and the connected pad-top and bot- 50 tom pad-side and the housing securely together. This can be done as cheaply and more speedily than the old method of securing the housing to the pad-bottom, and is more secure and more satisfactory. The pad top and bot- 55 tom can be detached also from the harness without removing it from the horse.

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

As an improvement in harness-pad attachments, the combination of the socket-piece C, provided with its bed-plate h and loop g, with the slotted fastener-plate E, having the hook f, all arranged and attached substantially as 6; shown and described.

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