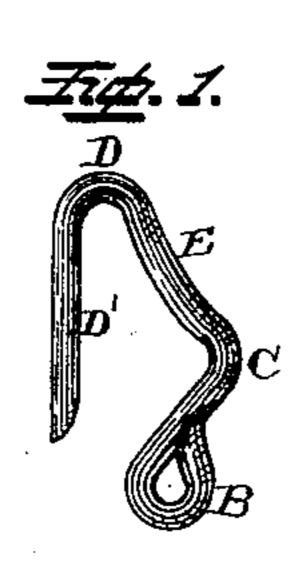
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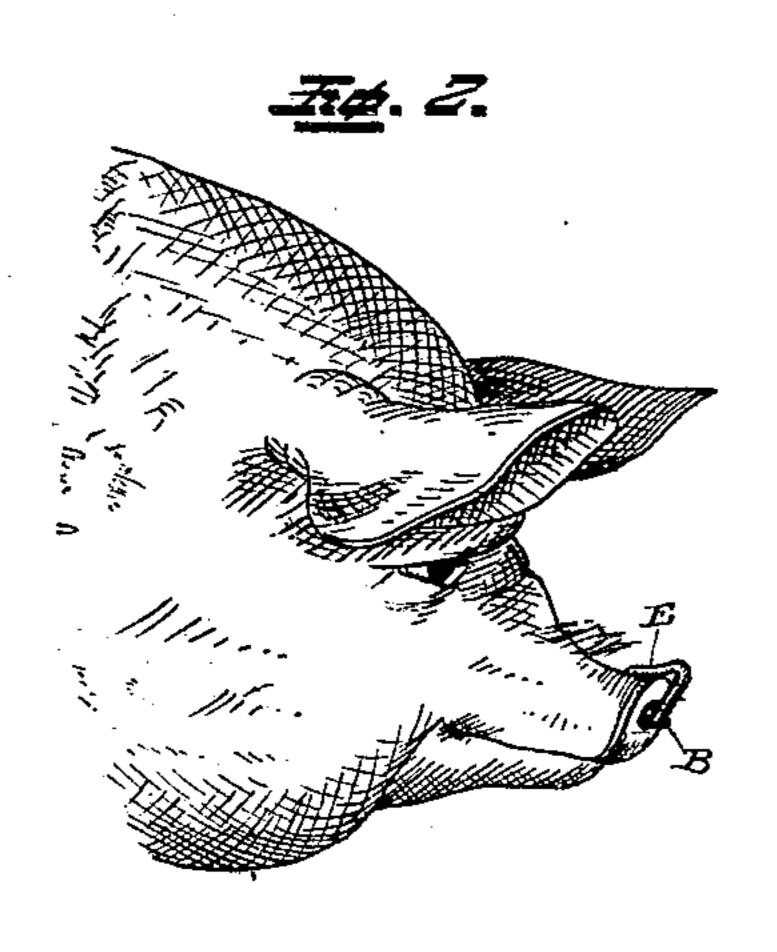
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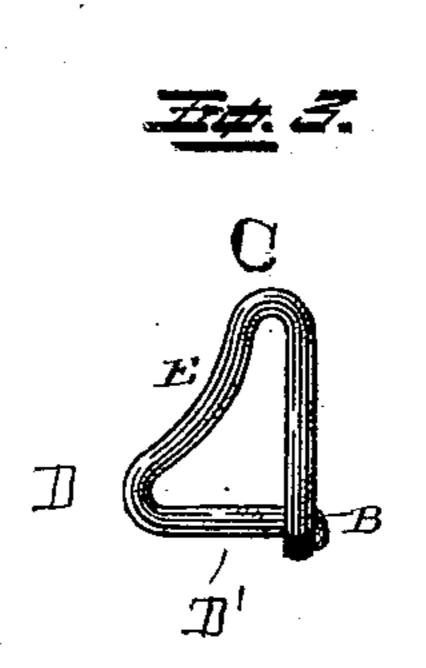
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## NOSE-RING.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Peter Drais, of Washington Court-House, in the county of Fayette and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Nose-Rings; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in nose-rings; and it consists in so bending the wire out of which the ring is formed that the part which passes through the eye shall be perfectly straight, shall have a short sharp bend at the end of this straight portion, and that portion of the wire between the short bend and that portion which has the eye formed upon its end shall be curved inward, as will be more

fully described hereinafter.

The object of my invention is to provide a ring which will have but a very short clinch where the ends are united together, after the ring has been attached to the nose, so as not to interfere with the animal in eating, and which is so bent or shaped along that portion which extends down over the front part of the nose that the ring cannot turn upside down in the nose, and thus become of little or no service.

Figure 1 is a perspective of the wire, showing the shape to which it is bent before it is clinched in position. Figs. 2 and 3 are side elevations of the ring after it has been clinched.

In cutting off the wire into proper lengths the ends are cut at an acute angle, as shown. When the eye B is formed the beveled end at that end of the wire prevents too much of a balge or bend being formed in the wire. From this eye the wire runs perfectly straight to the bend C, and from this bend C, which is made at an angle of about forty-five degrees, up to the bend D, the wire is curved inward, as shown

at E. This curved portion of the wire bears 45 directly against the top side of the animal's nose, and serves to hold the ring in position in such a manner that it is impossible for the ring to turn upside down, as it will do where the wire is either made straight or is curved 50 outward. From the bend D, which is also made tolerably abrupt, like the one C, the wire is made perfectly straight out to the end. This straight portion D' is pressed down through the nose, and the sharply-beveled end allows 55 a sharp clinch to be made after the end is passed through the ring, and this clinch does not interfere with the animal's eating, as it will do where the wire is passed down through the ring and clinched in the usual manner.

Rings have heretofore been made in which that portion between the eye B and the bend C has been made in one rounding outward curve; but where they are made in this form there is so much room left outside of the nose 65 that the rings will turn upside down or become displaced in some manner, and then they are of but little practical value. My invention is intended to obviate this trouble and to form a ring which corresponds more perfectly to the 70 exact shape of the nose.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

A ring formed from a single piece of wire, which is provided with an eye, B, at one end, 75 a straight portion between the eye and the bend C, a curved portion, E, between the bends C and D, and a straight portion, D', between the bend D and eye B, the bends being made at an angle of about forty-five degrees, sub-So stantially as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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