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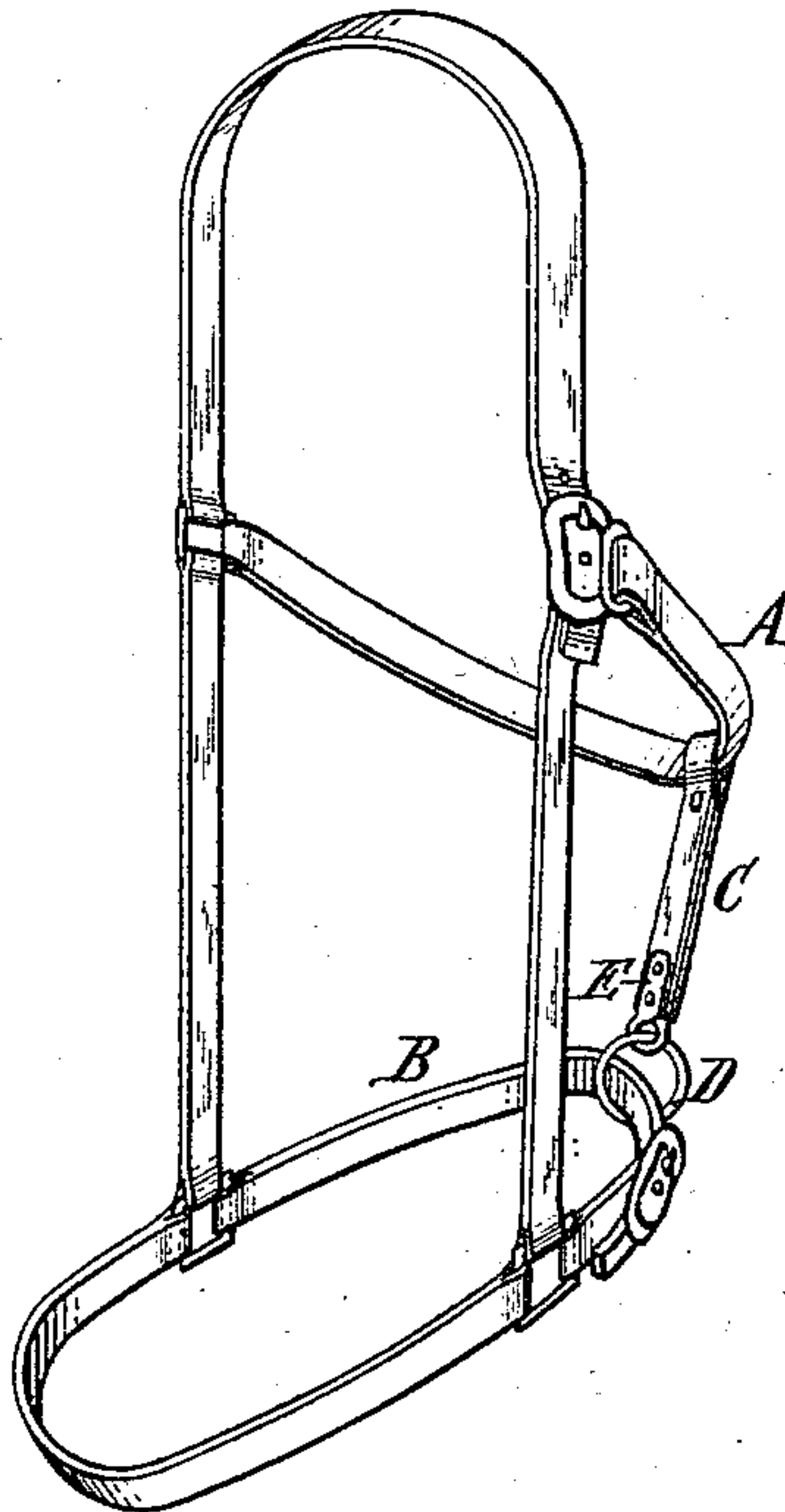
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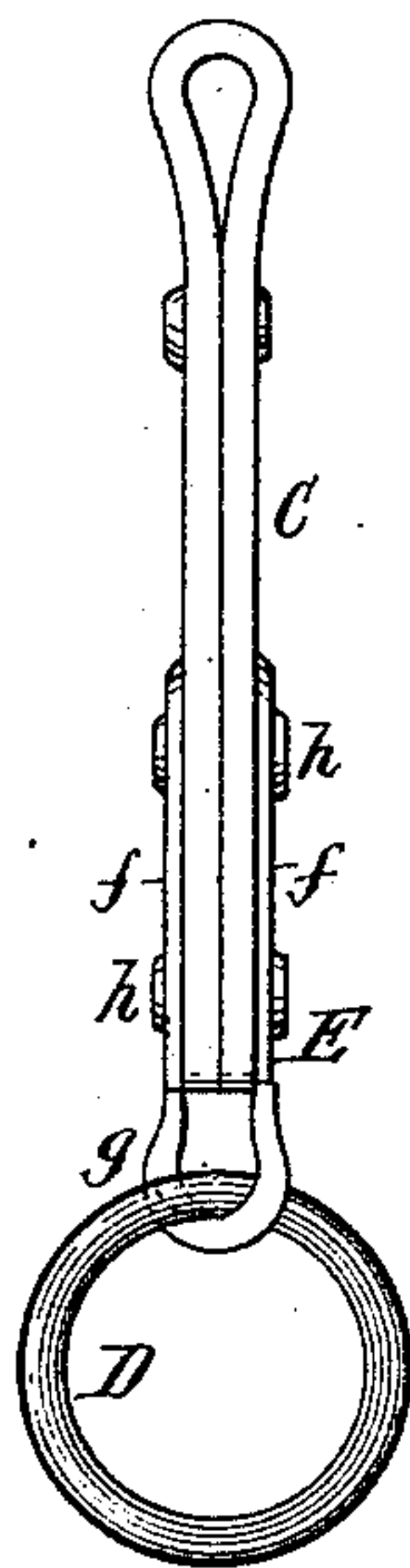
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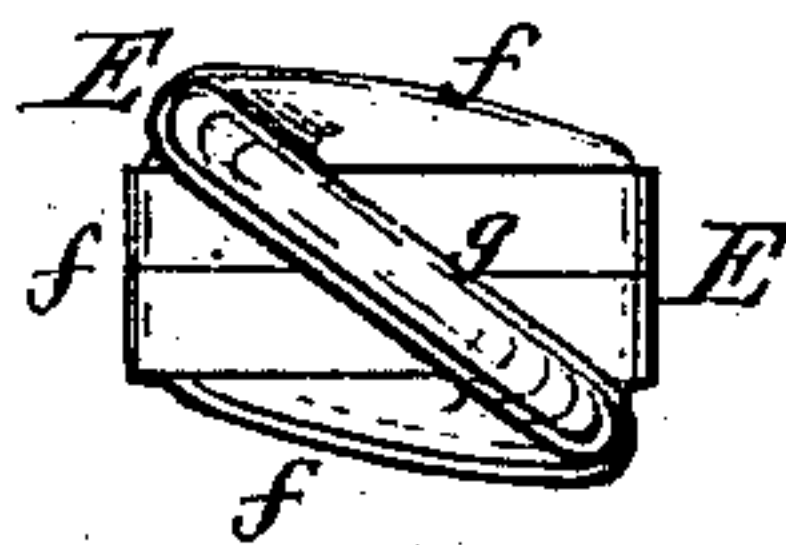
*Fig. 1.*



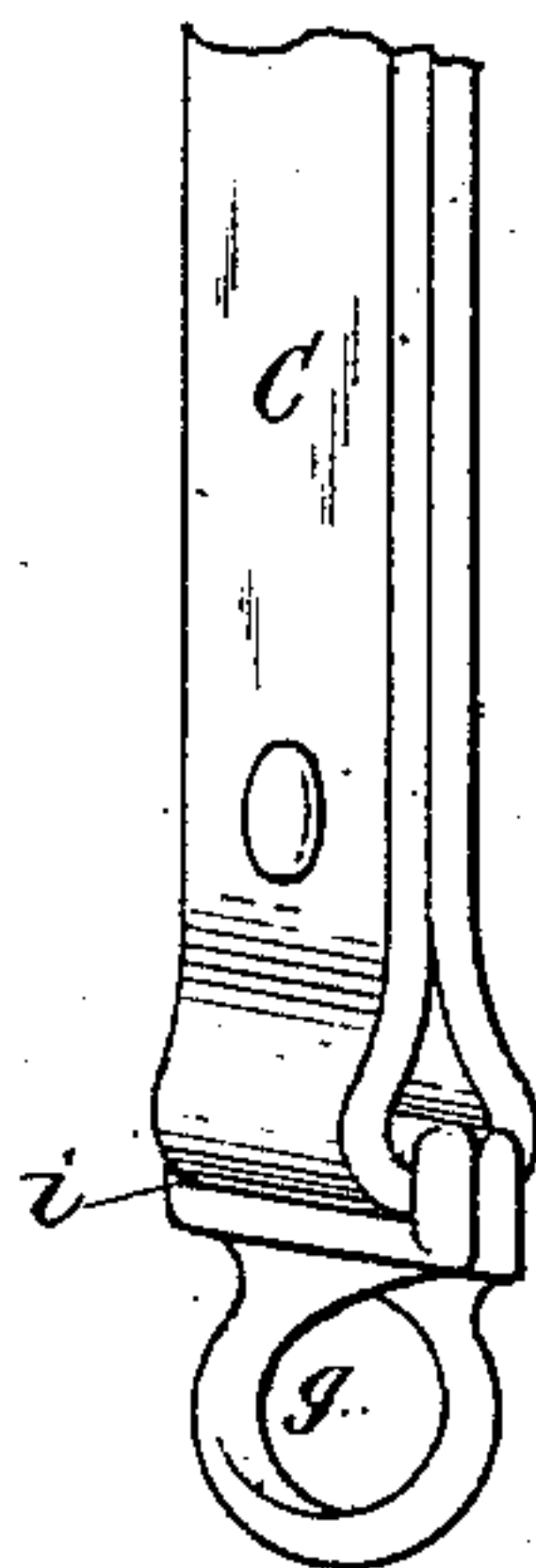
*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 4.*



*Fig. 5.*



*Fig. 3.*



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## HALTER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, EDWIN P. SEARS, of the city of Buffalo, in the county of Erie and State of New York, have invented a new and useful  
5 Improvement in Halters, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an improvement in that class of devices whereby the billet or strap which extends downwardly from the throat-latch is connected with the ring through which  
10 the chin-strap passes.

The object of my invention is the construction of a simple and strong clasp which can be readily cast of suitable metal, and which is  
15 easily attached to said billet or strap.

My invention consists of the peculiar construction of the device, which will be hereinafter fully set forth, and pointed out in the claim.

20 In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is perspective view of a halter provided with my improvement. Fig. 2 is a side elevation, and Fig. 3 a front elevation, of the billet and connecting parts. Fig. 4 is a bottom plan view  
25 of the clip. Fig. 5 is a perspective view, showing a modified construction of the device.

Like letters of reference refer to like parts in the several figures.

30 A represents the throat-latch; B, the chin-strap; C, the billet or strap connecting the throat-latch with the chin-strap; and D, the ring through which the chin-strap passes, and which is attached to the lower end of the billet C.

35 E represents the clasp or clip which serves to connect the chin-ring D with the billet C.

This clasp or clip is composed of two legs, plates, or leaves, *f f*, which are attached to the billet C, and a curved bar, *g*, which connects the lower ends of the plates or leaves *f*,  
10 and serves as a support for the chin-ring D. The curved bar *g* is arranged diagonally with reference to the plates *f*, as shown in Fig. 4, so that those portions of the bar *g* which are adjacent to the plates *f* are arranged one near  
45 one edge and the other near the opposite edge of the billet, on opposite sides of the chin-ring D, when the latter is in its normal position, as represented in Figs. 2 and 3, whereby the curved piece *g* is adapted to hold the ring D  
50 in its normal position. The plates may be secured to the billet C by rivets *h*, as represented in Figs. 1, 2, and 3; or they may be provided with openings *i*, through which the billet is  
55 drawn, as represented in Fig. 5, or they may be secured to the billet by any other suitable means. The ring D is engaged with the clip E before the latter is secured to the billet, and the clip forms a strong, simple, and cheap device for  
60 connecting the ring to the billet.

I claim as my invention—

In a halter, the combination, with the billet C and chin-ring D, of the clip E, constructed with parallel legs *f*, secured to said billet, and a curved diagonal bar, *g*, which connects said  
65 legs and supports the chin-ring, substantially as set forth.

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