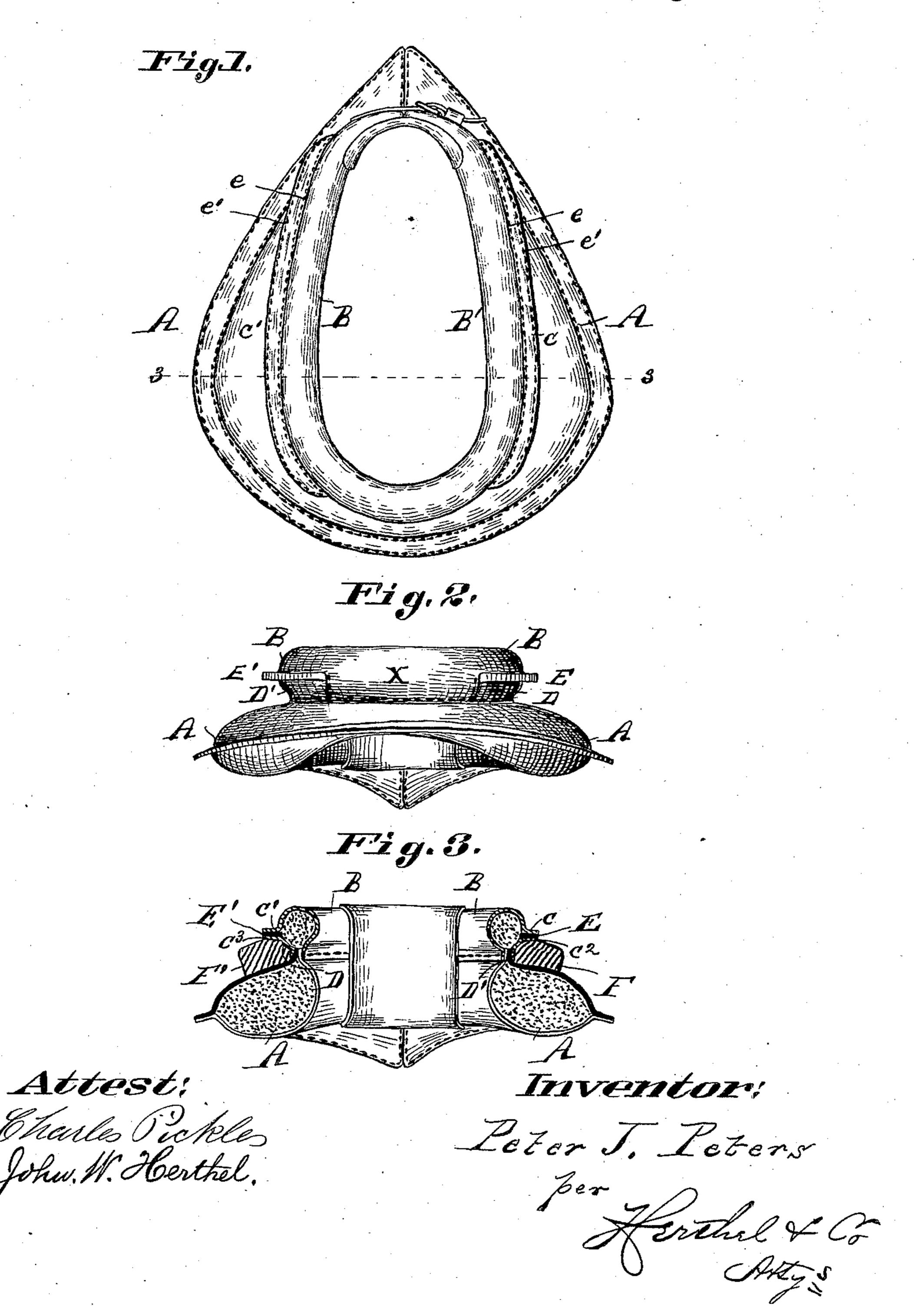
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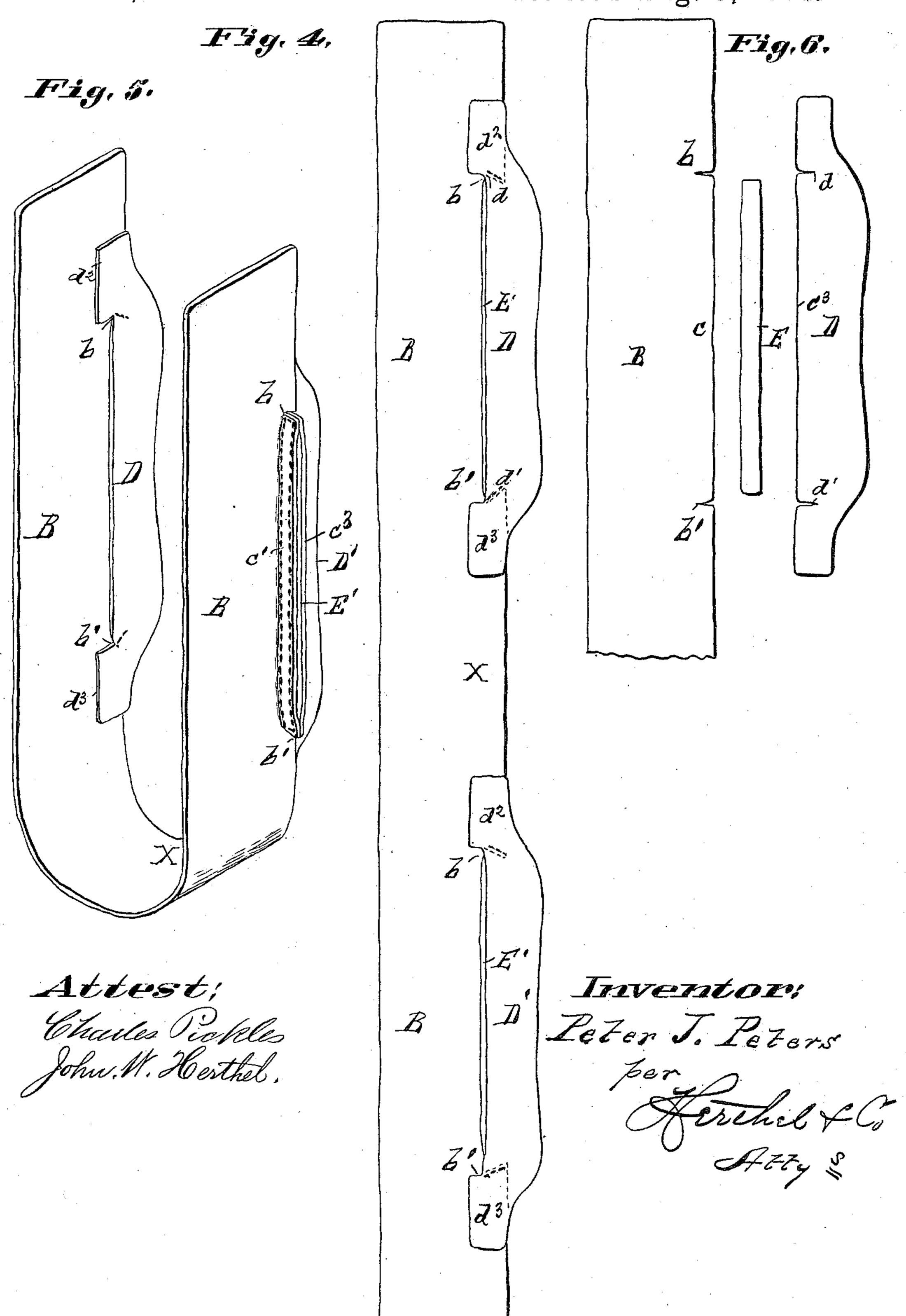


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To all whom it may concern:

citizen of the United States, residing at St. Louis, and State of Missouri, have invented a 5 new and useful Improved Horse-Collar, of which the following is a specification.

My invention consists in forming the neckroll to have leather flanges united, between which are the respective leather strips or 10 stiffeners, and together form a leather shoulder possessing sufficient rigidity and strength to constitute the hame-hold, as will be hereinafter fully described. I attain these objects by the mechanism illustrated in the accom-

15 panying drawings, in which—

Sheet I, Figure 1, represents a horse-collar the neck-roll of which has forming part of it my improved hame-hold. Fig. 2 is a bottom plan showing that the hame-hold is not con-20 tinuous on the under side, but clearance is left for the proper handling of the hamestraps. Fig. 3 is a transverse sectional elevation taken on line 3 3 of Fig. 1. Sheet II, Figs. 4, 5, 6, are designed to better illustrate 25 the mode of adapting the neck-roll to have the improved leather hame-hold, hence said figures show the neck-roll as it appears before it is folded, stuffed, and united to the remaining collar parts.

The horse-collar is manufactured in the ordinary way, to consist of the main body A and the neck-roll B, as shown in Figs. 1, 2, 3.

As stated, my improvement relates to that part of the neck-roll generally styled a "hame-35 hold," and this I make in the manner following: The leather composing the neck-roll B is shown, by way of a pattern, in Figs. 4, 5, 6, and has the small slits or cuts at b b', so that the edge of this leather piece B between said 40 slits forms the respective upper flanges, c c', one for each side of the neck-roll, and in line to retain the hames. The remaining portions of leather composing the neck-roll B are the respective lower or sub pieces, (marked D D',) 45 the pattern of each being shown in Figs. 4, 5, form the respective under flanges, c^2 c^3 , on each side of the neck-roll, and in line with the former-mentioned flanges. (See Figs. 1, 50 2, 3, 5.) Further, these sub-pieces D D'have laps d^2 d^3 , which lap over the slits when said sub-pieces are sewed or united to the neck-roll

piece B. (See Figs. 4, 5, 6.) By means of

55 and the stuffing is completely hidden. It is

these laps the joints at b b' are fully covered

between the side leather flanges, c c' and c^2 c^3 , Be it known that I, Peter J. Peters, a I that I unite the leather stiffener to constitute the hame-hold proper. Hence E E' represent these leather stiffeners, (a pattern of one being shown in Fig. 6,) each consisting of a 60 small strip of leather, preferably of greater thickness but of the same length as the side flanges, upper and lower. I insert one of these stiffeners for each side of the neck-roll between the flanges c c^2 , and also c' c^3 , so that 65 the inner edge of each stiffener is within the body of the neck-roll, while the remaining body of each stiffener projects out from the side in the same manner as the side flanges, and as shown in Figs. 1, 2, 3, 5.

e e' represent the inside and outside rows of stitching, although riveting can be employed to firmly unite the layers of leather together. (See Figs. 1, 5.) A hame-hold is thus provided entirely of leather, and as such 75 forms a most efficient holding element to retain the hames in place. As apparent, after the hame-hold has thus been made to form part of the neck-roll B, it, together with its lower or sub-pieces, D D', are folded, stuffed, 80 and in the ordinary way united to the body A

of the collar.

By referring to Figs. 2, 4, 5 it will be noted that the hame hold is not continuous, but the portion marked x is left clear at the bottom 85 of the collar, which greatly facilitates the handling of the hames, strapping same, &c.

In Fig. 3, F F' represent the hames. My improvement can be applied to any horsecollar and adapted to suit any hames.

What I claim is—

1. As an improvement in horse-collars, the body or shoulder cushion A, its neck-roll B, having leather flanges c c' c^2 c^3 , the leather stiffeners E E', united between said flanges, 95 and constituting with same the respective leather shoulders or hame-holds, as and for the purposes set forth.

2. The improved horse-collar, consisting of the body or shoulder cushion A, its neck-roll 100 6, and each having the similar slits at d d' to | B, having the slits b b', the sub-pieces D D', having similar slits, the upper and lower flanges, $c c' c^2 c^3$, and the interposed leather stiffeners E E', all combined substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

In testimony of said invention I have hereunto set my hand.

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