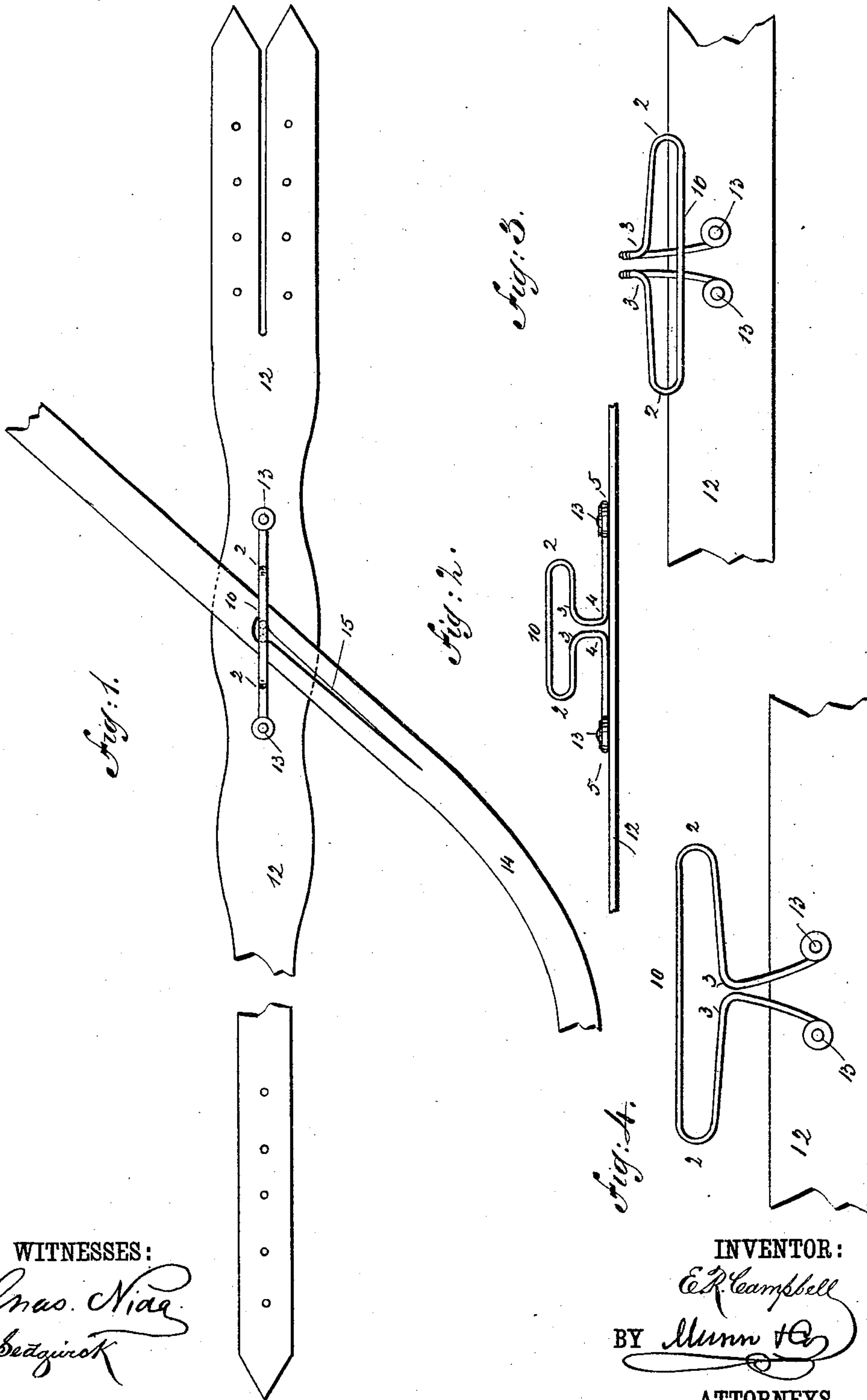


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD R. CAMPBELL, of Austin, in the county of Mower and State of Minnesota, have invented a new and Improved Hitching Strap Holder, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to the construction of a novel form of hitching-strap holder that is designed to be attached to the back-strap of a harness just in advance of the hip-straps; but the holder may be attached to other parts of the harness.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar figures of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views.

Figure 1 is a plan view of my improved form of hitching-strap holder, representing the same as applied to the back-strap, a portion of the hitching-strap being represented in connection with the holder. Fig. 2 is a side view of the holder; and Figs. 3 and 4 are plan views of modified constructions.

The holder is formed from a single length of wire, 10, bent downward and inward at 22 to form a loop having laterally-projecting arms, then bent downward at 3 to form a shank, and then outward at 4, and having eyes 5 formed in their free ends.

The holder just described is secured to the back-strap of a harness, which strap is represented at 12 in the drawings, by rivets 13, and the hitching-strap 14 is formed with an elongated slit, 15, through which the upper button shaped portion of the holder is inserted, as illustrated in Fig. 1. This holder, located as described, serves to support the free end of

the hitching-strap, the strap falling in a graceful curve across the back of the animal, as will be readily understood.

In Fig. 3 the holder is represented as being bent upon itself just beyond the points 3, so that the button-like loop will be in a plane about parallel with that occupied by the ends of the wire, which ends are formed with eyes, as in the construction heretofore described, and secured to the back-strap of the harness, while to produce the construction illustrated in Fig. 4 it is only necessary to form the eyes after the bends at 3 have been made, and although the constructions illustrated in Figs. 3 and 4 might be used without departing from the spirit of my invention, I greatly prefer the construction illustrated in Figs. 1 and 2, for this preferred construction not only serves as an admirable support for the hitching-strap, but will also serve as a button or stop to hold a fly-net and preventing the shifting of the net, doing away with the necessity of attaching the net to the back-strap by means of a strap and buckle, or by tying, as has heretofore been done.

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

The hitching-strap holder herein described, consisting of a wire bent to form a loop having laterally-projecting arms, a shank portion below the loop, and attaching-eyes in the free ends, all substantially as set forth and shown.

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