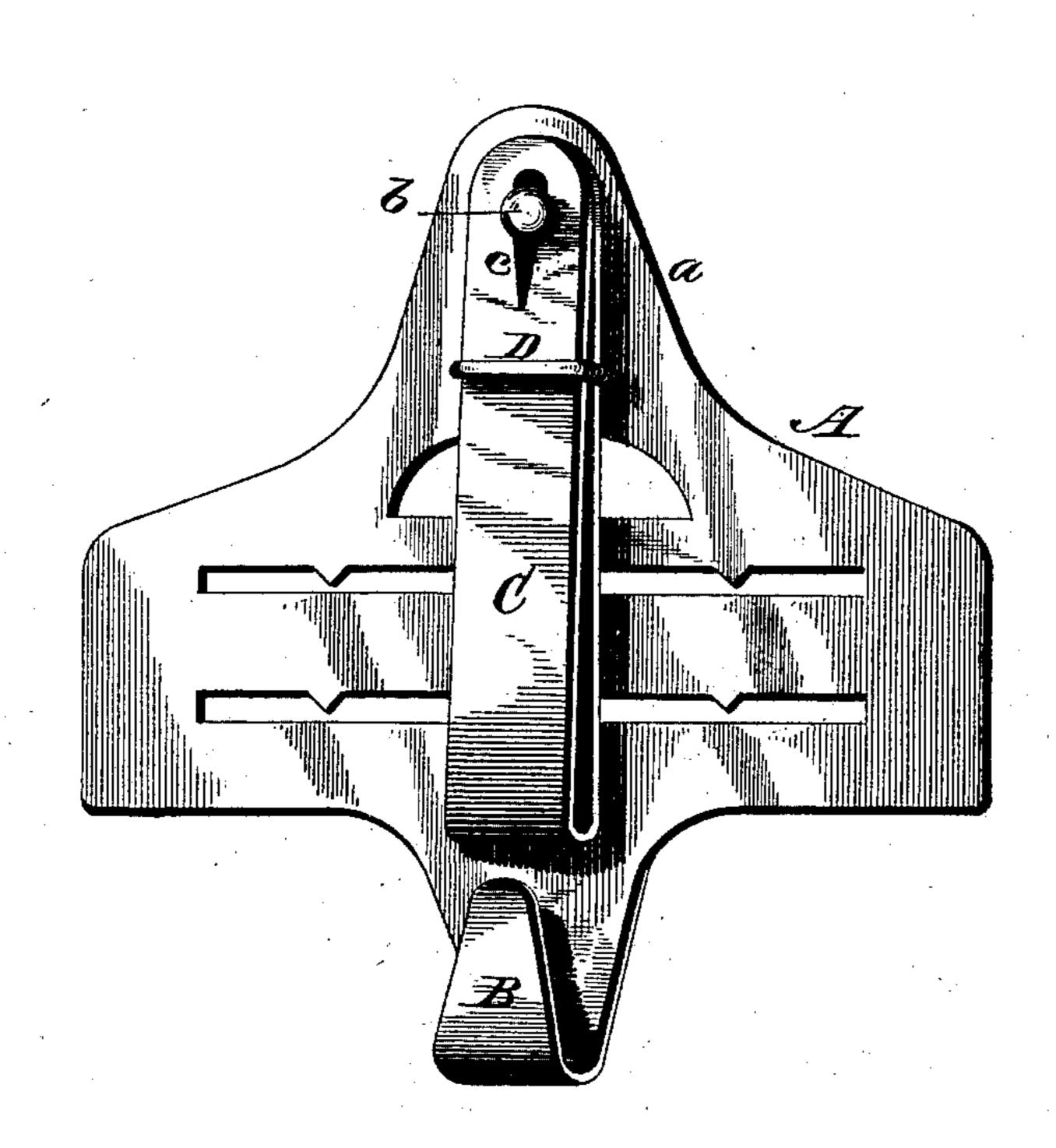
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, Albert F. M. Gar-RETT and ASA J. SANFORD, citizens of the United States, residing at Dadeville, in the 5 county of Tallapoosa and State of Alabama, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Back-Band Buckles; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being to had to the annexed drawing, making a part of this specification, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon.

The present invention has relation to backband buckles or trace-carriers for the purpose 15 of holding the trace chains up to the horse's sides when plowing; and it consists in the details of construction, substantially as shown in the drawing, and hereinafter described and

claimed.

In the accompanying drawing, which represents a perspective view of our invention, A designates the buckle, provided with the hook B for holding up the trace-chains, which lie flat to the sides of the horse and allows said 25 chains to work freely, so they will not press the buckle to the horse's sides, thereby preventing soreness and inconvenience to the animal.

The buckle A at its top is provided with an 3c extension, a, said extension having a button, b, detachably connecting thereto the leather

loop-strap C, through which passes one of the plow-lines to hold it in position, the ends of the strap having button-holes c, to pass over the button b to connect the strap thereto. The 35 loop-strap C, being of leather and detachable, can be renewed when worn by substituting a new one. To confine the button-hole ends of the strap C to the button a confining staple, D, is provided, through which passes the ends 40 of the strap previous to engaging them with the button, thereby preventing the strap from being accidentally disconnected from its fastening.

Having now fully described our invention, 45 what we claim as new, and desire to secure by

Letters Patent, is—

A back-band buckle provided at its lower end with a hook for the trace-chains, and at its top or upper end with a confining-staple 50 and button, in combination with a loop-strap for the driving-reins or plow-lines, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that we claim the above we have hereunto subscribed our names in the 55

presence of two witnesses.

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