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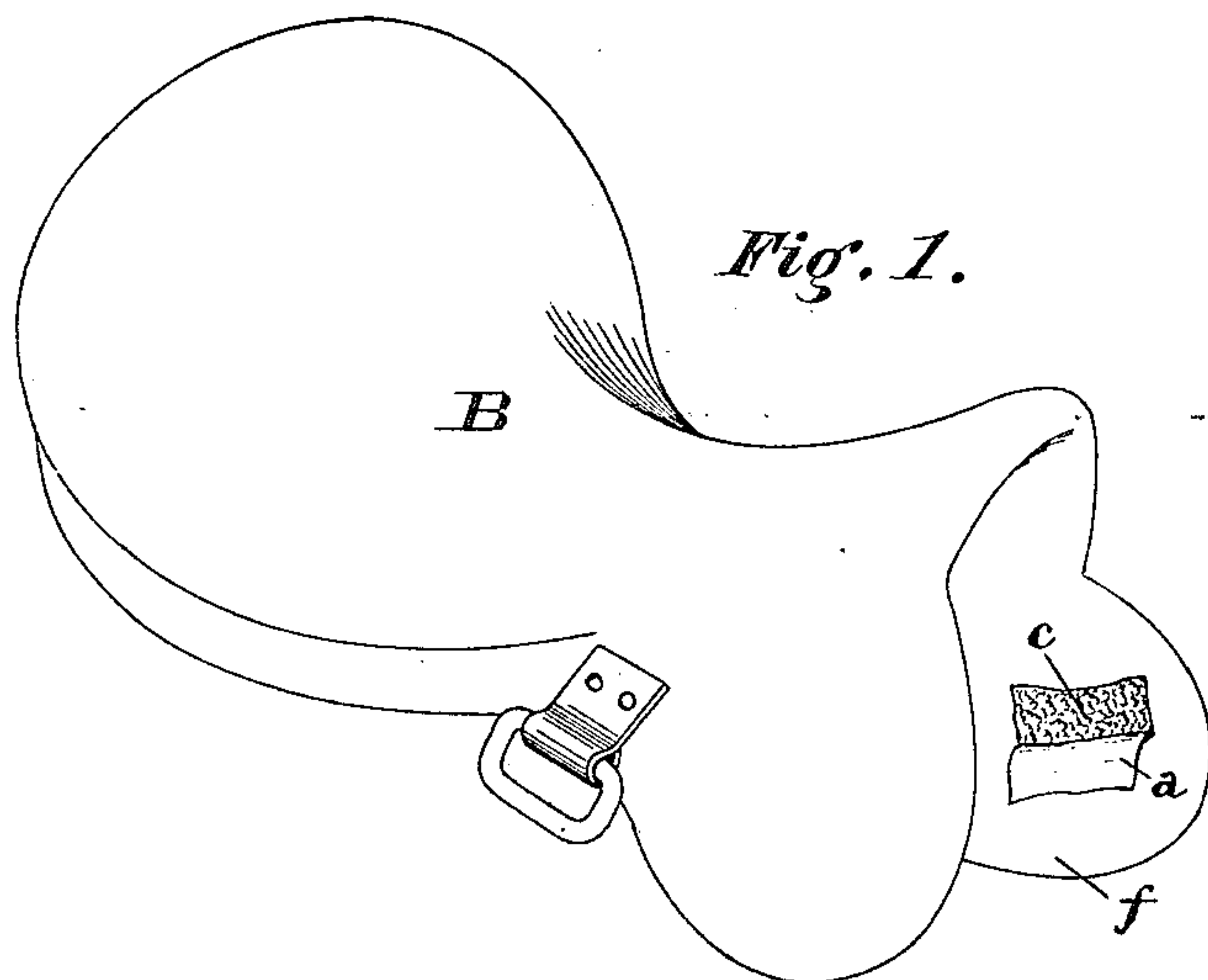
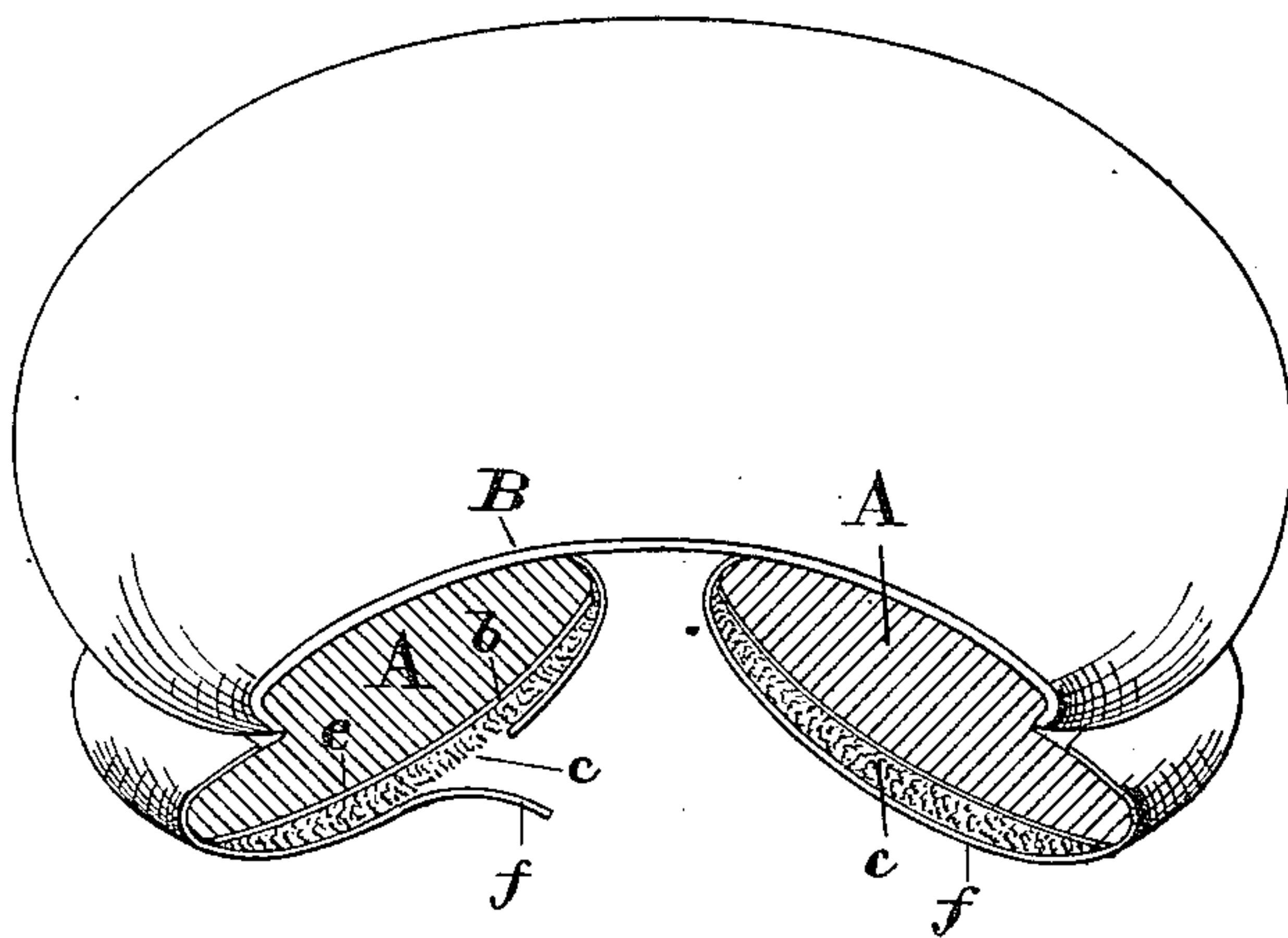


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ISAAC BERGMAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, have invented
5 a certain new and useful Improvement in Riding-Saddles, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in riding-saddles, which is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, and will first be described, and then designated in the claim.
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Figure 1 is a perspective view of a saddle having my improvement, shown at *a* by a portion of covering of one under pad being cut
15 to expose the wool side of the sheep-skin. Fig. 2 is a cross-section of the saddle.

The saddle-tree *A* may be of any well-known construction, and the seat *B* may be covered and stuffed as desired.

20 My invention consists in covering the lower face of the saddle-tree—that part which comes in contact with the animal's back—with a tanned skin having the natural wool or hair adhering to it, the flesh side of said skin being
25 directly in contact with the saddle-tree *A*, and the wool or hair part being in contact with an exterior covering.

The tanned skin *b*, having its own wool *c* naturally adhering to it, is placed with its
30 flesh side toward or against the lower face, *e*, of the saddle-tree *A*. The wool *c* is thus outermost. An exterior cover, *f*, of suitable leather, is then placed over the wool *c*, and is attached in any known or suitable manner. This cover

bears on the animal's back. It will thus be seen that part *e* of the saddle-tree, which bears on the animal's back, is in contact with the flesh side of a tanned skin whose natural wool is adhering, and the said wool constitutes the padding between the said tree and the exterior
40 cover, *f*.

The wool as a padding on the under side of the saddle is soft and elastic, and therefore very easy for the animal's back, and as a padding will not shift or get into bunches, but will
45 maintain its position.

I am aware that it is not new to employ a sheep-skin as a cushion or spring for a saddle, the same being placed between the tree and the seat. Neither is it new to employ sheep-
50 skins sewed together with their wool sides in to form a pad, and such I do not claim.

Having described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United
States—
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In a riding saddle, the combination of the seat *B*, with the saddle-tree *A* and a pad consisting of the skin *c*, having its flesh side secured to the side *e* of the tree, and provided with a cover, *f*, on the wool side, all substantially as and for the purpose specified.
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In testimony whereof I affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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