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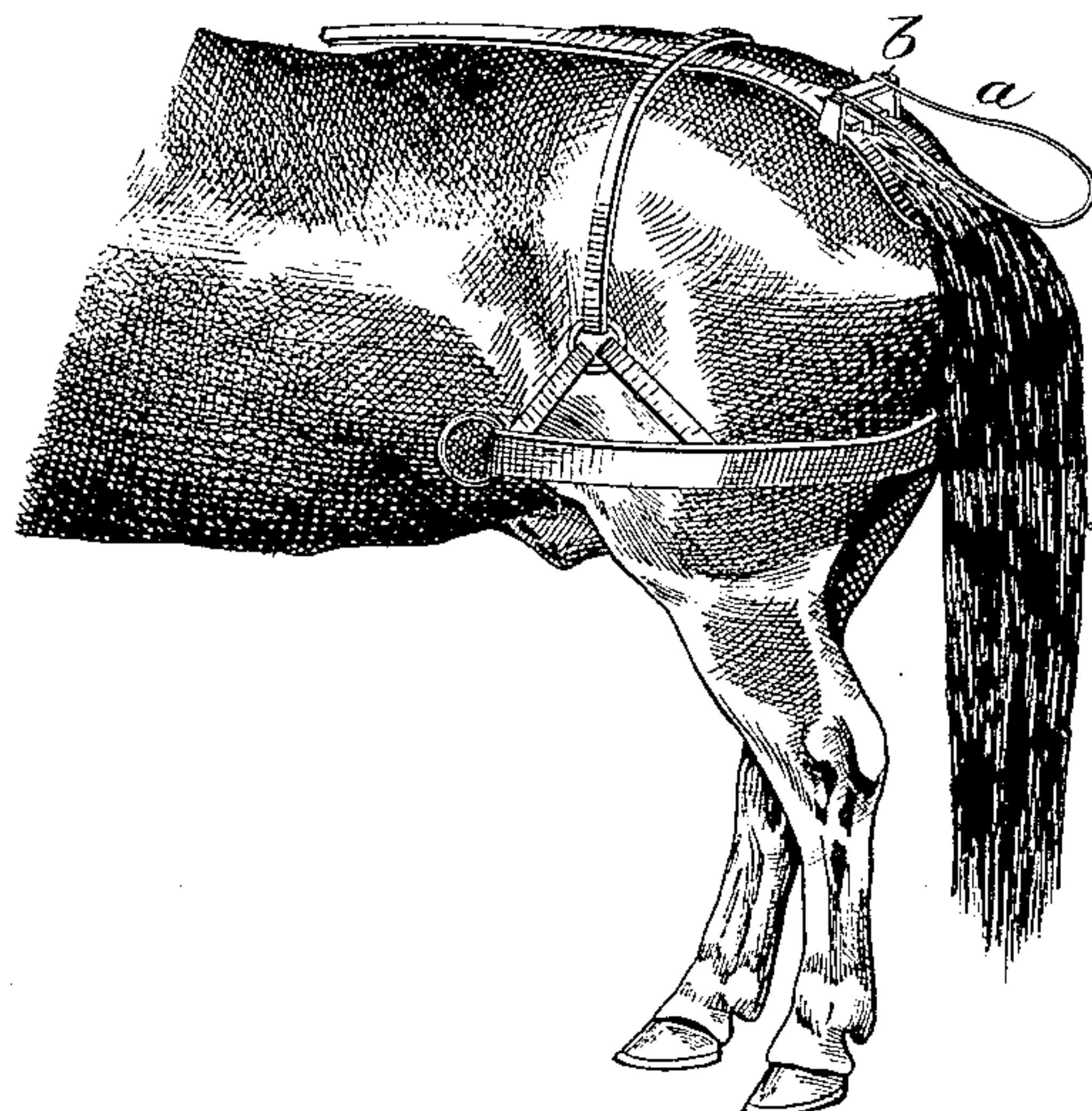
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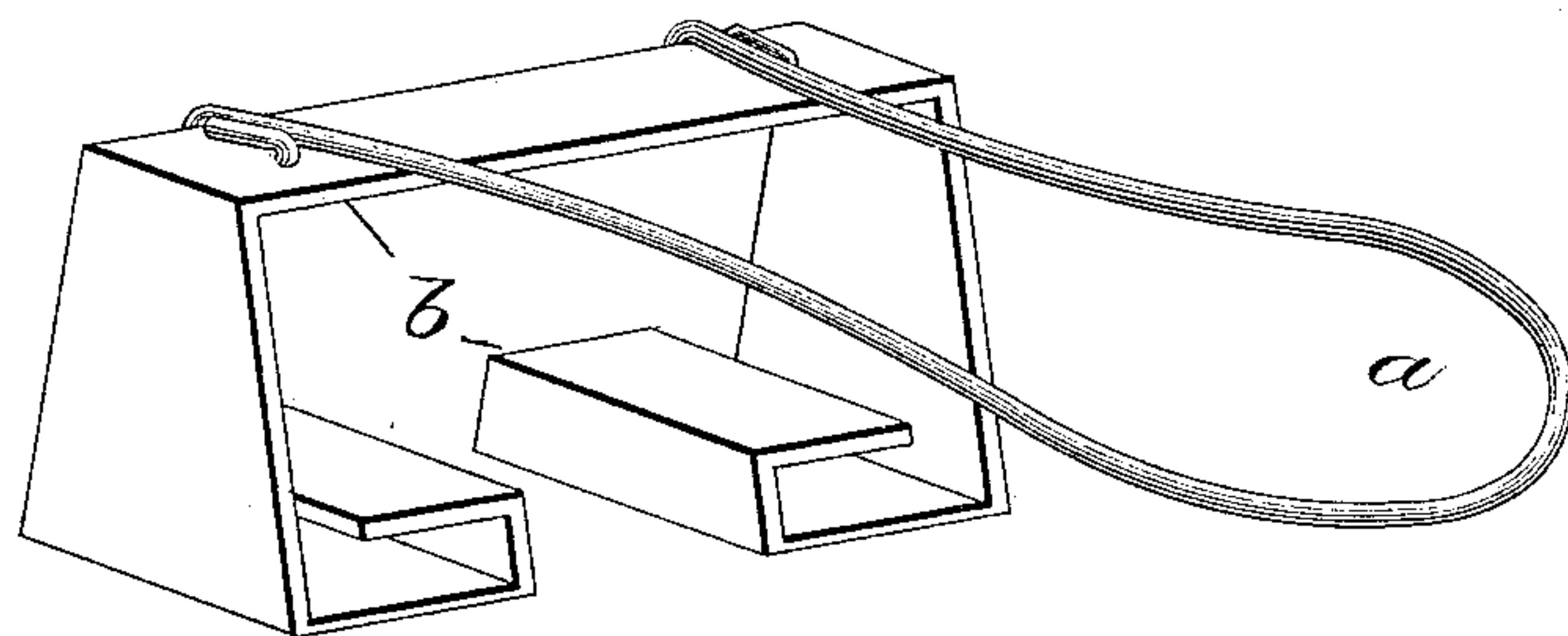
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



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## LINE-HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JEREMIAH V. BEAVERS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Mount Summit, in the county of Henry and State of Indiana, have invented a new and useful Device for Holding Lines, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a device for holding the lines while driving; and it consists of the loop *a* and the plate *b*.

The objects of my invention are, first, to hold the lines so that the horse cannot get his tail over them while being driven, and second, to prevent the lines from falling down and being caught by loose straps or buckles while being loosely held in the hands of the driver. I attain these objects by means of the mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which —

Figure 1 shows the device attached to the crupper of the harness, ready for use. Fig. 2 shows the device detached.

My device is constructed and operated as follows:

The loop *a* is composed of a piece of spring-wire about eighteen inches long and bent into the form of a horse's shoe, or nearly oval, connecting with the plate *b* by passing from the back part of it over and being bent under it.

It is then passed into a hole in the plate and securely riveted. Plate *b* is a metallic plate of the proper length, being bent so as to form three sides of an oblong square, being slightly thinner at the ends and bending in and being turned up and over, so as to form a catch at either end, by means of which it is held to the crupper of the harness.

The device being placed upon the harness, as above described, the harness being upon the horse, loop *a* stands at nearly right angles with the plate *b* and about three inches above the root of the horse's tail. The lines now being passed back over the horse's back pass through between the perpendicular pieces of the plate *b* and through the loop *a* to the hands of the driver, and are thus held by the loop *a* from being caught by the tail of the horse and prevented from dropping down, to be caught by buckles or straps.

I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

In a line-holder, the combination of loop *a* and the plate *b*, provided with the catches, substantially as and for the purposes described.

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