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FIG. 1.

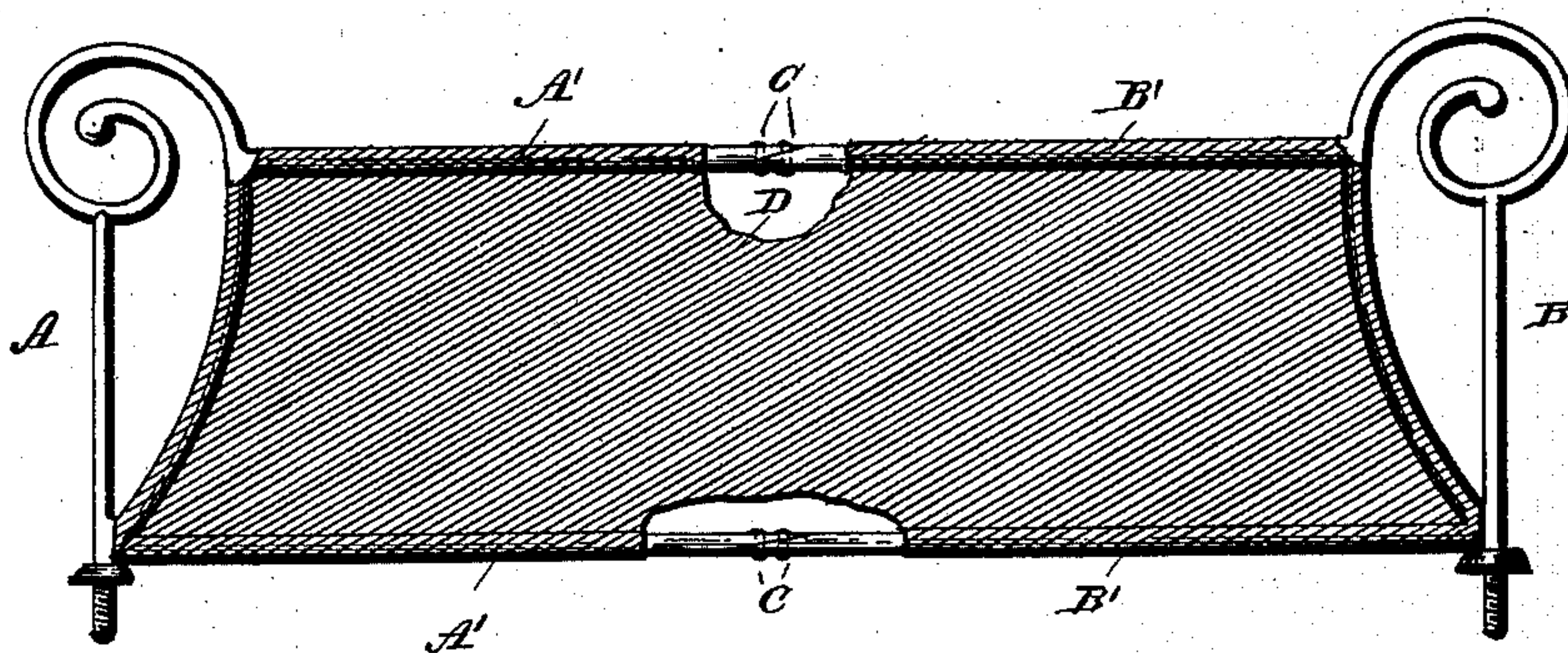
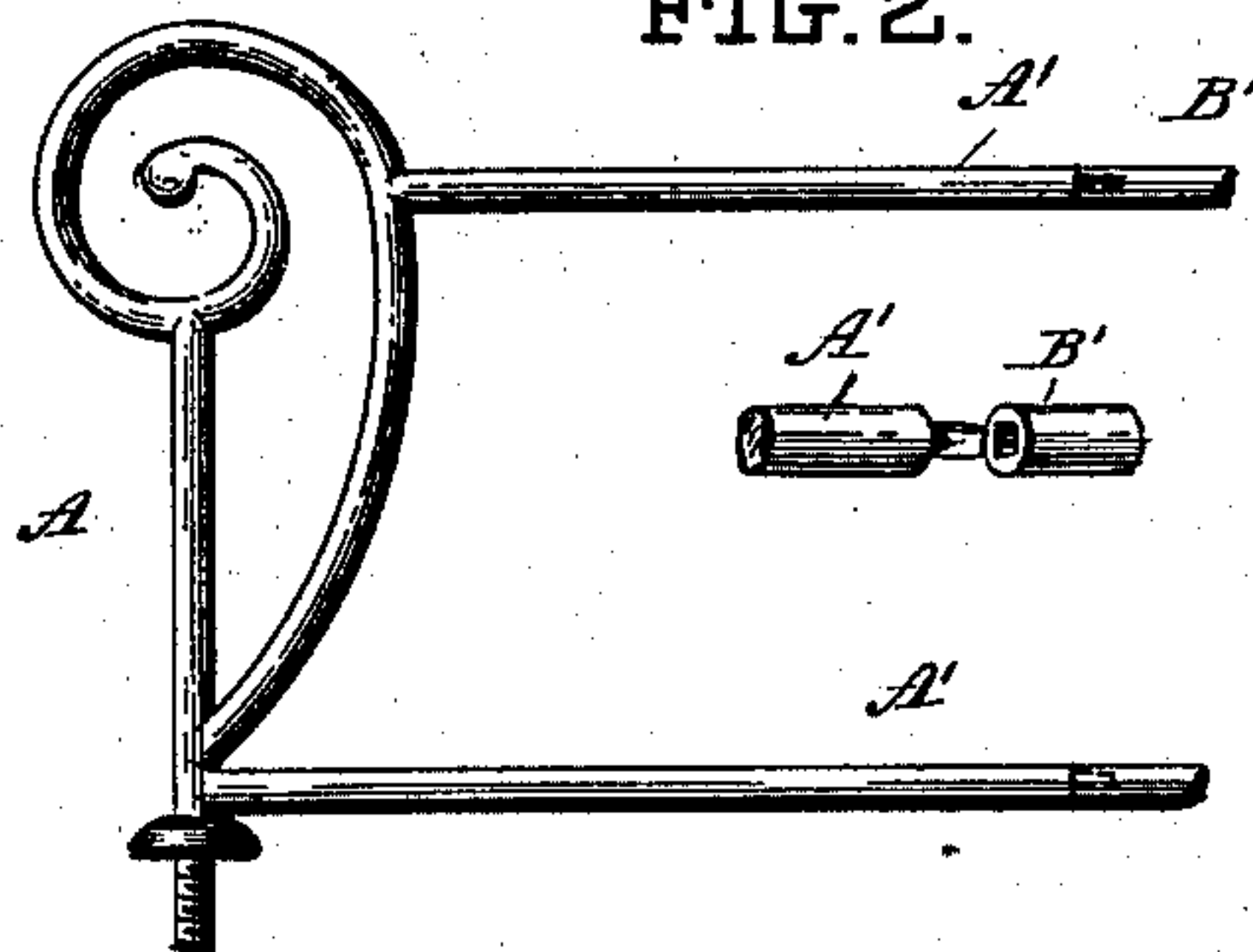


FIG. 2.



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## DASH-SCREEN FOR VEHICLES.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN H. MURPHY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Merrimac, in the county of Essex, State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Dash-Screens for Vehicles, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention has relation to improvements in dashes for vehicles, and among the objects in view are to simplify the construction, facilitate their manufacture, and reduce the number of parts and the cost thereof.

The invention consists in certain features of construction, hereinafter specified, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of a dash constructed in accordance with my invention, and Fig. 2 is a similar view in detail of a modification.

Similar letters of reference indicate like parts in both the figures.

In carrying out my invention, I construct the dash in two sections or castings, A and B, which may be of any desired configuration or design, the only requisite being that each section is formed with two parallel tie-bars or arms, A' B'. Any ordinary means may be employed for securing the sections to the vehicle, and the sections may be connected to each other at or about the center by any desired means. In this instance, for the purpose of simplicity, I chamfer or undercut the ends of

the tie bars or arms A' and undercut or chamfer the arms B'. These ends are joined by means of rivets C, passed through the arms and headed. In this relation, however, I do not confine my invention, for, as shown in Fig. 2, an ordinary dowel-joint may be formed. Over the frame thus formed is stretched or suitably secured the leather or wire covering D.

By the construction just described a dash may be formed which may be easily and conveniently cast in two sections, which are joined and covered, whereby a neat, lasting, and strong article is furnished.

Having described my invention, what I claim is—

1. A dash-frame for vehicles, consisting of the two castings A and B, having the integral cast-arms A' and B', respectively, terminating in form for permanent connection with each other, substantially as specified.

2. A dash for vehicles, consisting of the castings A and B, having the integral arms A' B' centrally connected, as at C, substantially as specified.

3. A dash for vehicles, consisting of the castings A and B, having the chamfered arms A' B' connected, as at C, and provided with the covering D, substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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