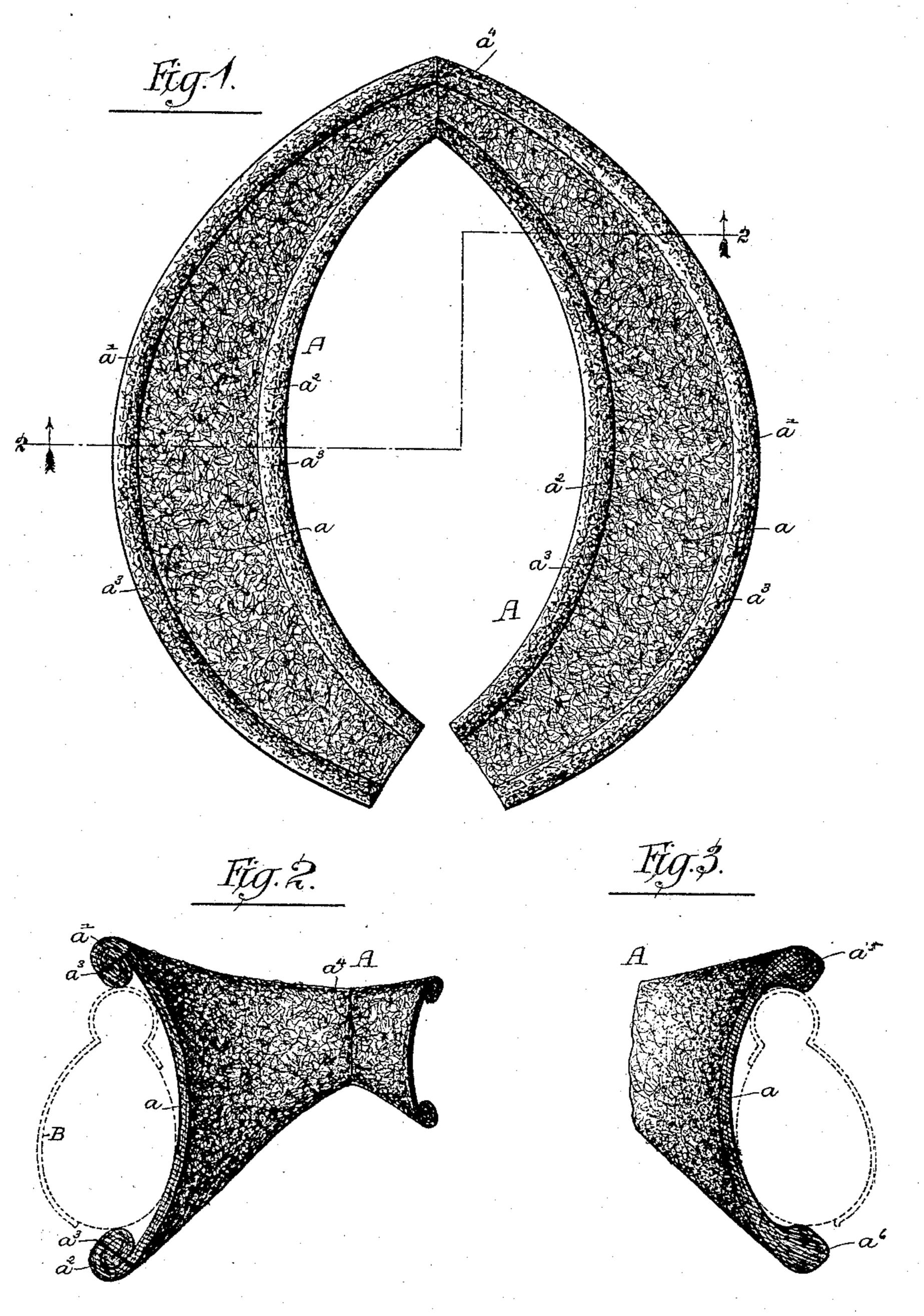
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## SWEAT-PAD FOR HORSE-COLLARS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Christopher Mollen-Coff, of Malta, in the county of De Kalb and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Sweat-Pads for Horse-Collars; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to improvements in sweat-pads for horse-collars; and it consists in the novel construction herein shown, described, and more particularly pointed out in

the appended claim.

In the drawings I have shown in Figure 1 a front view of a sweat-pad constructed according to my invention. Fig. 2 is a transverse sectional view of the same, taken on line 2 2 of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a transverse sectional view of a portion of a sweat-pad, taken upon the same line and showing a different manner of forming the same.

In the drawings, A is the sweat-pad, composed of a soft yielding absorbent material—such as felt—and consisting of a main central portion a and enlarged margins a' a². The enlarged margins a' a² are formed, as shown, by binding and rolling the marginal edges of the felt pad; but manifestly said enlarged or thickened portions may be otherwise formed—as, for example, by making the mass of felt thicker at these parts, as indicated in Fig. 3, in which a is the main portion of the sweat-pad, and a⁵ and a⁶ are the thickened or enlarged marginal portions formed integral therewith. The rolled or turned over margins are retained permanently in position by

simply stitching longitudinally through a portion of the rolled or turned over part, as illustrated at  $a^3$ . The pad may be composed of one continuous piece of felt, or it may be made of two parts and said two parts stitched or otherwise united, as at  $a^4$ .

The dotted lines B show the position of the collar and illustrate the principal function of the two marginal enlargements a'  $a^2$  or  $a^5$   $a^6$ —to wit, the holding of the sweat-pad in position between the neck of the animal and 50 the collar without any straps or other clasps. Another function of the enlarged margins a'  $a^2$  or  $a^5$   $a^6$  is the stiffness which said rolled edges gives to the whole structure, enabling me to retain in shape the main portion a after 55 the same has been shaped to conform to the neck of the animal.

The pad may of course be secured to the collar by the usual straps and buckles, if desired, and this may be a desirable feature if 60 the pad be made in two portions.

I prefer to make the pad of one thickness of felt, and prefer also to have the smooth side next the neck of the animal.

What I claim is— As an improved article of manufacture, a sweat-pad for horse-collars, consisting of a single piece of solid felt and having its margins of greater thickness than the body or main portion.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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