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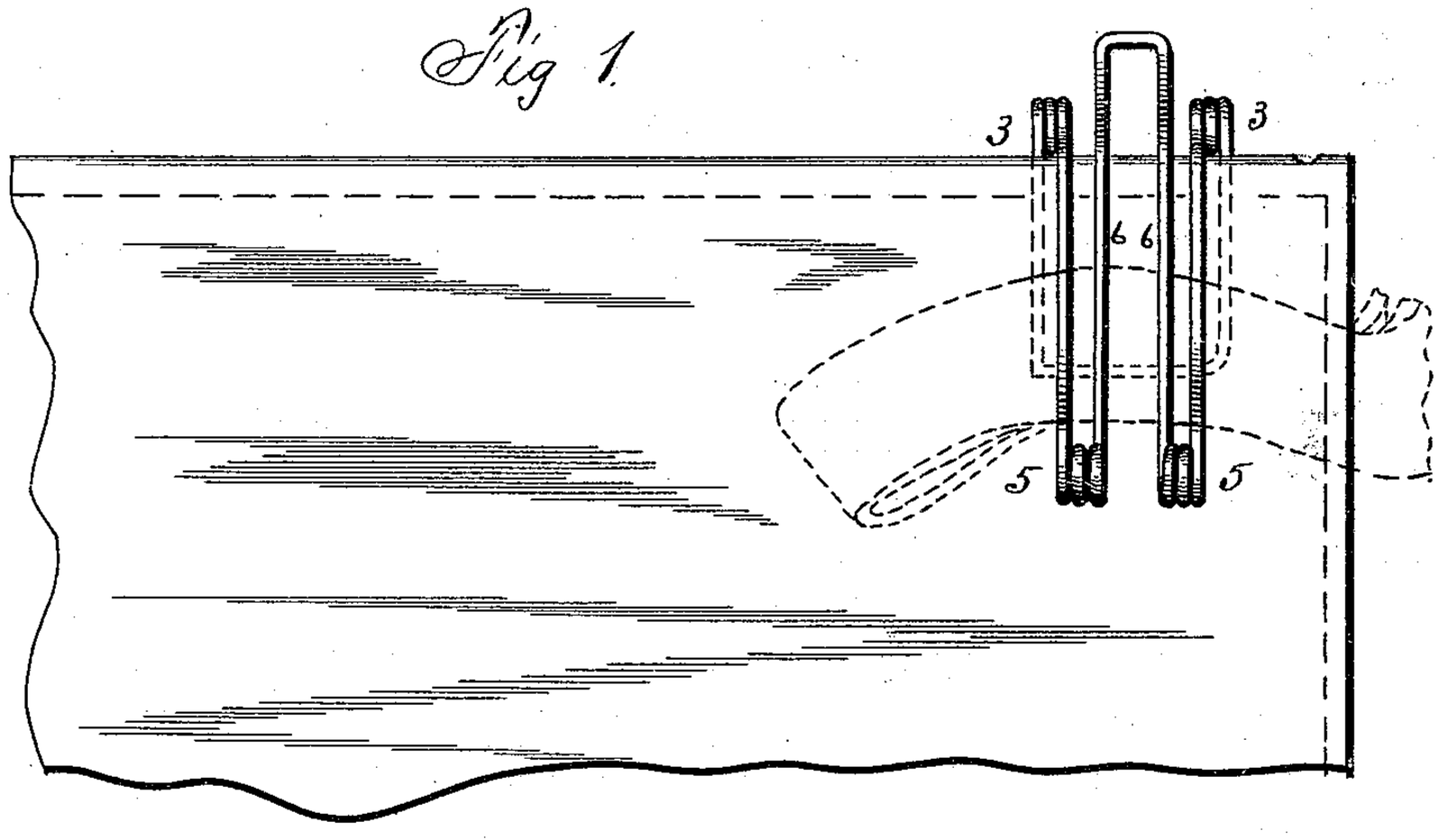
Fig 1.



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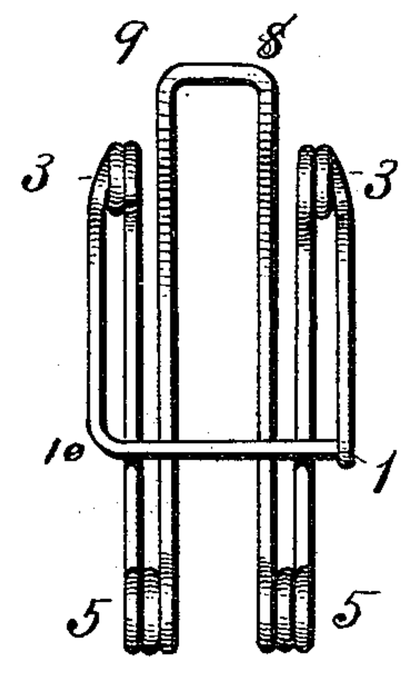

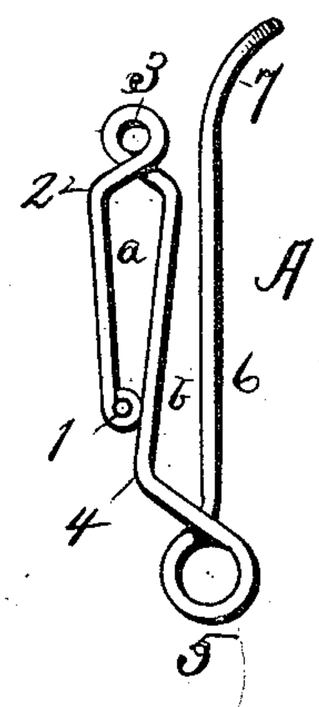

Fig 3.

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REIN-HOLDER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE H. DAVIS, of Lacona, in the county of Oswego, in the State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Rein-Fasteners, of which the following, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to rein-holders.

My object is to produce a portable rein-holder easily and readily attached to the dash-board of a wagon, simple and cheap of construction, and of great utility.

My invention consists in the several novel features of construction and operation hereinafter described, and specifically set forth in the claim hereunto annexed. It is constructed as follows, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a view of the rein-holder attached to a dash, holding reins shown in dotted lines. Fig. 2 is a view of the same detached. Fig. 3 is a side elevation of Fig. 2.

A is the rein-holder, constructed from a continuous piece of wire bent first at one end to form an eye 1, and then at a short distance from this eye it is again bent at 2 to form spring-eye 3, thence bent downwardly and outwardly till it reaches the point 4, where it is bent to the right, forming an oblique angle, and thence bent again to form another spring-eye 5. The wire then takes an upper direction 6 until it reaches a point about opposite the eye 3, where it is curved to the right, as shown at 7. It is then bent at right angles, as seen at 8 in Fig. 2, and at any desired point, as at 9. It is again bent downwardly to correspond with the part just described when it reaches the point 10, which corresponds with the eye 1. It may be again bent at right angles and its free end allowed to enter the eye 1, where preferably it is secured.

It will be seen that I can cut the wire off at the point 10 and form an eye to correspond to the eye 1 without departing from the spirit of my invention.

It will be seen that after producing the eye 3 and bending the wire downwardly I produce a recess *a*. This recess is for the reception of the upper edge of the dash, and the tension produced by the spring-eye 3 serves to keep it in position. It will also be observed that after producing the eye 5 and allowing the wire to pass upwardly I produce another recess *b*. This is for the reception of the reins, and the tension produced by the spring-eye 5 holds them wherever they are placed.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A portable rein-holder constructed, as herein described and shown, from a continuous piece of wire bent first centrally to form two similar and corresponding parts, then bent at 5 5 to form spring-coils for the purpose of gripping the reins, then bent at 3 to form similar spring-coils for the purpose of gripping itself upon the dash-board, and then one end bent at 10 to meet the eye 1.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 17th day of July, 1890.

GEORGE H. DAVIS.

In presence of—
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