

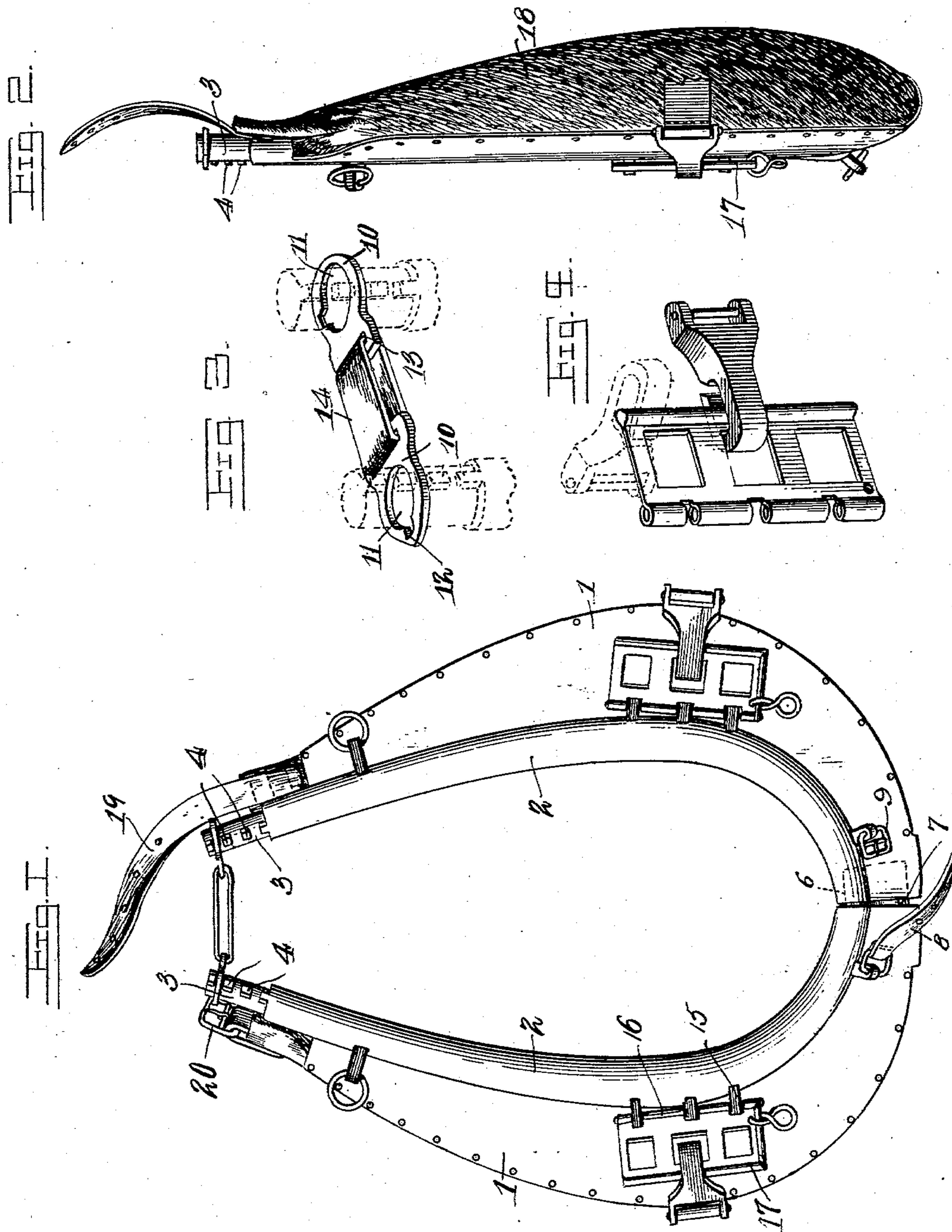
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## HORSE-COLLAR.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HENRY SELLON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Fort Bridger, in the county of Uinta and State of Wyoming, have invented a new and useful Horse-Collar, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to horse-collars; and it has for its object to provide a collar having a light metal hame structure in permanent connection therewith, said hame structure being of peculiar form and adapted to provide a light, durable, and useful device.

The construction, operation, and advantages of my improved horse-collar will be hereinafter fully described, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of a collar constructed in accordance with the principles of my invention. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same. Fig. 3 is a detail perspective view of the means for connecting together the upper ends of the hame portions of my improved horse-collar, said hame portions being shown in dotted lines. Fig. 4 is a perspective detail view of the trace-connecting means.

Corresponding parts in the several figures are indicated by similar numerals of reference.

My improved horse-collar comprises in its construction a pair of flat metallic plates 1 of suitable size, shape, and general outline and provided at their inner edges with beads 2, which partake of the general shape of a pair of hames and which in addition to reinforcing the plates 1, of which they form integral members, serve for the attachment of such harness-attaching means as are usually connected with the hames. It will be observed that the plates 1 are thin, smooth, and flat except at the inner edges, where they are provided with the reinforcing-beads referred to. The beads 2 are extended upwardly above the upper edges of the plates 1 and terminate in cylindrical extensions 3, provided each with a plurality of laterally-extending lugs 4. At its lower end one of the collar-sections is provided with a socket 6, as shown in dotted lines in Fig. 1, for the reception of a tongue 7, carried by the lower end of the other section. The lower ends of said collar-sections are fur-

thermore held adjustably connected by means of a strap 8 and a buckle 9, attached to the lower parts of the flat plates 1, adjacent to the beads 2, thus permitting the said collar-sections to be slightly spread apart at their lower ends, if this shall be deemed desirable or necessary, for the purpose of fitting the neck of an unusually large animal.

For the purpose of detachably connecting the upper ends of the collar I provide a pair of plates 10, each having a circular opening 11, provided with a laterally-extending notch 12. The plates 10 are also provided with slots 13 for the reception of a connecting strap or link 14. The circular openings 11 in the plates 10 are of a size proportionate to the cylindrical extensions 3 at the upper ends of the beads 3, and by properly turning the said plates the lugs 4 upon the said extensions may be passed through the notches 12 of the openings 11. When the said lugs and notches are turned out of alinement, which is the case when the parts are in operative position, as shown in Figs. 1 and 3, the lugs 4 will prevent the displacement of the connecting device, as will be readily understood.

The beads 2 are provided upon their outer sides near their lower ends with perforated lugs 15 for the reception of pins 16, upon which the tug-links 17 may be mounted.

Upon the rear sides of the plates 1 are secured upholstered pads 18, which in practice rest against the shoulders of the horse and constitute the collar members of the device. These pads may be made comparatively light, and in conjunction with the plates 1 and ribs 2 they constitute a combined collar and hames, as will be readily understood. To the upper end of one of the collar-pads is connected a strap 19, adapted to engage a buckle 20, which is connected with the upper end of the other collar-pad, this strap being adapted to be buckled above the hame-connecting device, as will be clearly understood by reference to Fig. 1 of the drawings.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the drawings hereto annexed, the operation and advantages of my invention will be readily understood.

The construction is simple and inexpensive.



The use of this device will save time in harnessing a horse, and it may be conveniently fitted to animals of various sizes.

Having thus described my invention, I  
5 claim—

1. In a device of the class described, a pair of flat, smooth, thin plates provided at their inner edges with reinforcing-beads having cylindrical upward extensions provided with  
10 laterally-extending lugs, and pads mounted upon the rear sides of said plates, in combination with means for adjustably connecting the lower ends of said plates, and connecting means for their upper ends, comprising a pair  
15 of plates having notched openings to engage the cylindrical extensions having lugs thereon and flexible connecting means for said plates.

2. In a device of the class described, a pair of flat, smooth, thin plates provided at their

inner edges with reinforcing-beads provided 20 with upward cylindrical extensions, said extensions being each provided with a plurality of forwardly-extending lugs, in combination with a pair of connecting-plates having slots at their inner ends and provided with open- 25 ings to engage the said cylindrical extensions, said openings having laterally-extending notches normally out of alinement with the lugs upon said cylindrical extensions, and a strap engaging the slots in the inner ends of 30 said plates, and flexibly connecting the latter.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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