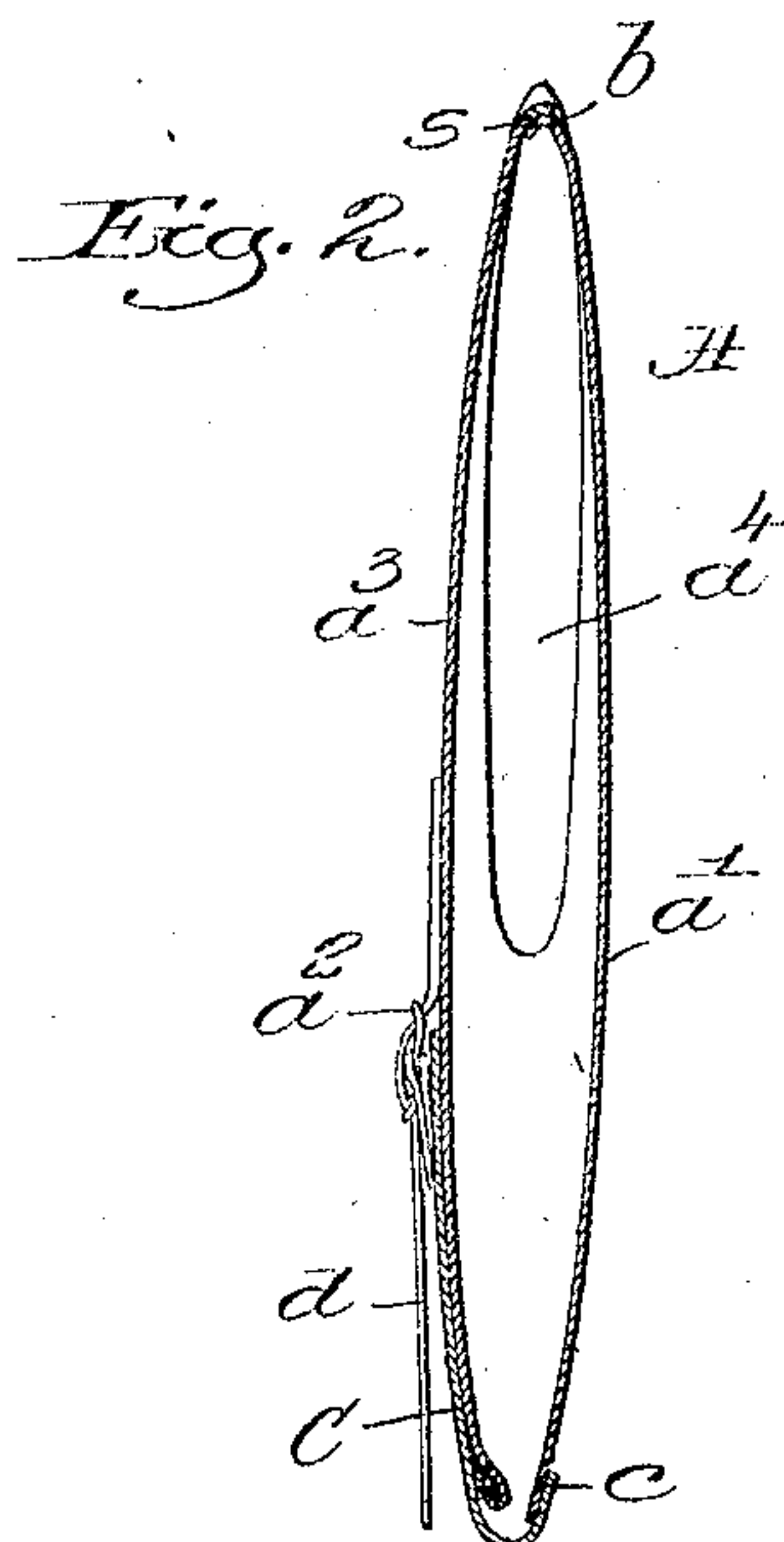
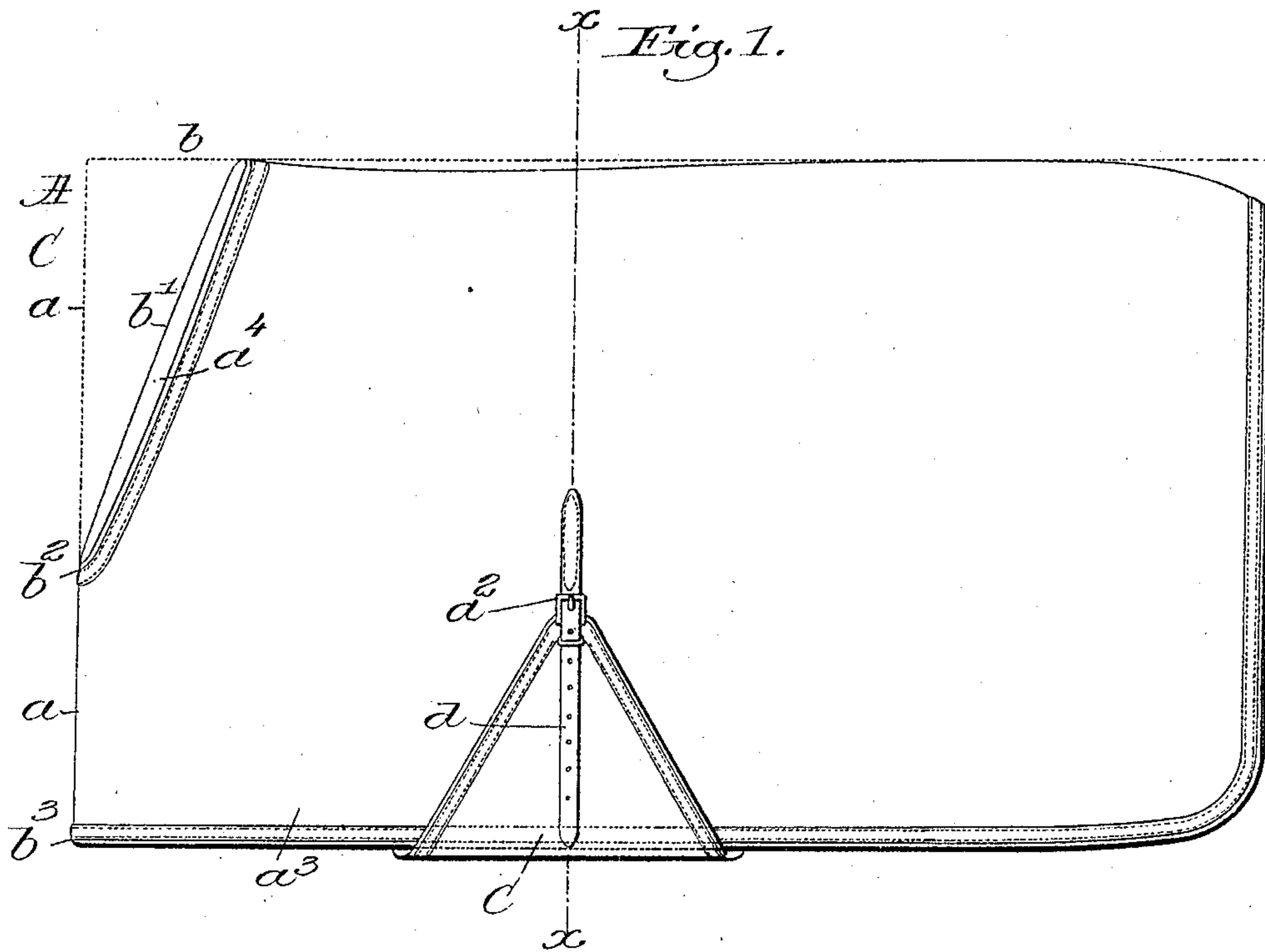


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ARTHUR H. KINDER, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Boston, in the county of Suffolk and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, have invented an Improvement in Horse-Blankets, of which the following description, in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a specification, like letters on the drawings representing like parts.

This invention has for its object to simplify the construction of horses' blankets wherein the chest-covering part is without straps or buckles.

My improved blanket is made from one piece of the material folded backwardly onto itself, the material at its folded end being then cut off from near one of the edges of the folded material part way across the folded end of the material. Two of the edges of the folded material are then stitched together to constitute the back seam for the blanket, and the piece removed, as described, where folded on itself is then opened out and stitched at its end to the downturned edge of one side of the blanket. Said piece or underlaying, which is provided with a buckle or other fastening, contacts with a strap attached to the other half of the blanket to hold the blanket about the body of the horse, thus enabling the usual surcingle to be omitted.

Figure 1, in side elevation, shows a blanket made in accordance with my invention, the dotted outline showing the shape of the material of the blanket when folded backwardly on itself; and Fig. 2 is a section in the line x , Fig. 1.

In the manufacture of my novel blanket I take a piece of material A twice as long as desired for the length of the blanket and fold the same on itself on the line a . The dotted lines, Fig. 1, show the blanket material folded on itself. This done, I cut the material from one edge b on the line b' , terminating the cut at b^2 , leaving part of the folded material between b^2 and b^3 to cover the breast of the horse. The part of the material so cut away and designated C and to be described is triangular in shape. I may then cut the two edges b more or less to fit the contour of the back of the horse and stitch said edges together in any usual way at s , adding or not a lining in usual manner and cording the edge of

the blanket material as provided for in United States Patent No. 448,151, dated March 10, 1891. I then stitch the wider end c of the triangular piece C of the material cut out to leave the neck-opening in the blanket to the side a' of the blanket and provide said piece at or near its pointed end with a buckle or other usual fastening device a^2 , which when the portion C, which I shall designate as an "overlapping" piece, is drawn under the belly of the horse and made to overlap the side a^3 is engaged by a strap d , stitched to the side a^3 . By employing, as described, the triangular piece C, which would otherwise be wasted, it is possible not only to retain the blanket more securely upon the horse, but also to obviate the employment of a surcingle and the loss of time in looking it up when, as is frequently the case, the surcingle becomes detached from the blanket when not in use.

The blanket is applied to the horse by slipping the neck-opening a^4 over the head of the horse as a collar is applied, drawing the blanket back and covering the back and hips and then drawing the underlay under the belly of the horse and securing the same by the surcingle.

Having fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The herein-described horse-blanket composed of blanket material, having a neck-opening and permanently closed below such opening to cover and protect the breast, one half of said blanket having permanently secured to it at its lower edge an overlapping piece, the free end of said piece being provided at a point beyond the edge of the blanket with a fastening, and a strap united at one end to the exterior of the other half of said blanket at a distance back from its edge, said strap engaging said fastening and holding the overlapping piece in position to overlap the lower edge of that half of the blanket to which said strap is attached and bring the edges of the blanket toward each other.

2. A horse-blanket composed of blanket material having permanently secured to one of its lower edges an overlapping piece of fibrous material triangular in shape, the free end of said overlapping piece being provided at a point beyond the edge of the blanket with a fastening, and a strap united at one end

to the exterior of the other half of the said
blanket at a distance back from its edge, said
strap engaging said fastening and holding the
overlapping piece in position to cross under
5 the body of the horse, the end of the over-
lapping piece having the fastening overlap-
ing the edge and part of the blanket to which
the strap is attached, the strap in engagement
with the fastening holding the edges of the

blanket closed under the body of the horse 10
and retaining the blanket in position.

In testimony whereof I have signed my
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