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Fig. 1.

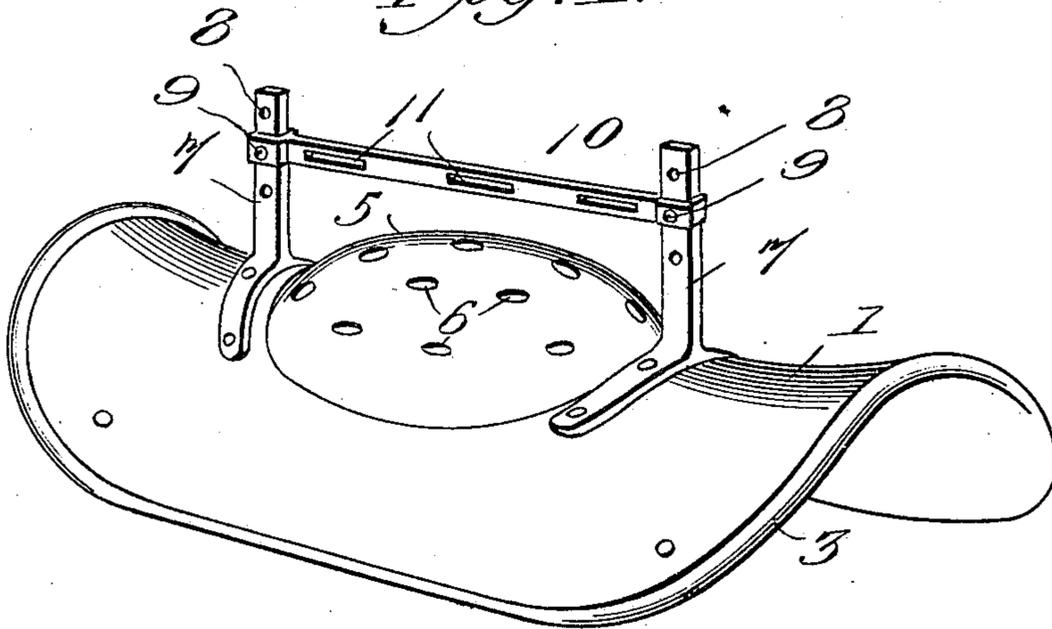


Fig. 2.

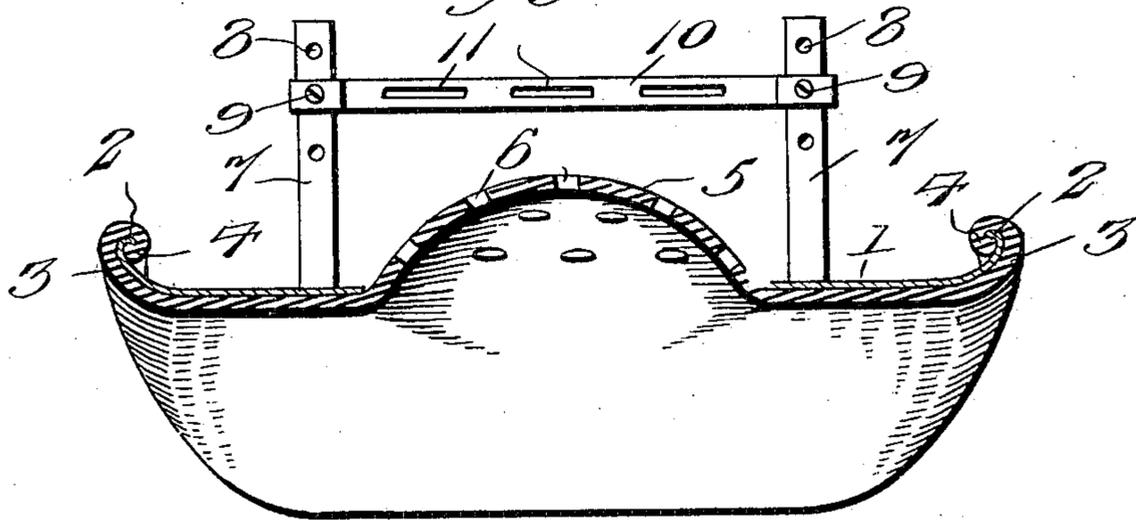
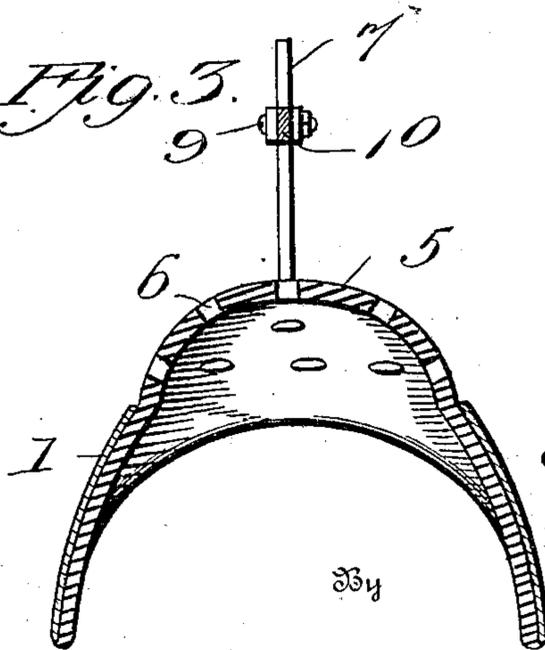


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES J. LORD, a citizen of the United States, residing at Kingfisher, in the county of Kingfisher and Territory of Oklahoma, have invented new and useful Improvements in Neck-Pads, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to neck-pads such as are adapted to support the collar of a horse, so as to prevent the same from chafing the neck of the animal or to enable the sore to heal in the event that chafing has already occurred.

The objects of the invention are to improve and simplify the construction of such devices.

With the foregoing and other minor objects in view, which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention resides in the combination and arrangement of parts and in the details of construction hereinafter described and claimed as a practical embodiment thereof.

In the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a neck-pad constructed in accordance with the present invention. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal vertical section thereof. Fig. 3 is a transverse section.

Similar numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts in the different views.

The improved pad of this invention preferably comprises a stiffening member 1, which is formed of metal or other suitable material shaped to fit the neck of a horse. The stiffening member 1 is formed with a large central perforation, and the end portions 2 of said stiffening member 1 are curled upward, as shown. Upon the under surface of the stiffening member 1 is a covering member 3, which is formed, preferably, of leather and is curled at its ends around the curled ends of the stiffening member 1, as shown at 4. Adjacent to the large central opening through the stiffening member 1 the covering member 3 is bulged upward to form a semi-spherical portion 5, which is formed with suitable perforations 6. Secured to the stiffening member 1 is a pair of uprights 7, disposed, respectively, in front and rear of the bulged portion 5 of the covering member 3. Each of the uprights 7 is formed with a vertical series of perforations 8, adapted to receive a screw 9, which extends through the end of a bridge-piece 10. By means of the perforations 8 the bridge-piece 10 may be ad-

justed vertically upon the uprights 7. The bridge-piece 10 preferably is formed with a plurality of longitudinal slots 11.

The manner of using the improved neck-pad will be apparent from the foregoing description. The pad is fitted over the neck of the horse in such manner that the bulged portion 5 is disposed above the chafed part of the animal's neck. By employing a single covering-piece 3, which is bulged upwardly through the opening, the formation of a sharp edge around the opening is avoided, thus preventing any further chafing of the animal. By reason of the fact that the bridge-piece 10 is adapted to be adjusted vertically upon the uprights 7 a large collar may be fitted without difficulty upon a small horse. Furthermore by providing a plurality of longitudinal slots, such as 11, either one of which is adapted to receive the strap of the horse's collar, the neck-pad may be adjusted properly in a longitudinal direction upon the horse's neck, so that the bulged portion 5 will be disposed always above the chafed part of the animal's neck.

In its combination and arrangement of parts and in its details of construction the device of this invention constitutes an improvement over prior devices intended for a similar purpose.

Changes in the precise embodiment of invention illustrated and described may be made within the scope of the following claims without departing from the spirit of the invention or sacrificing any of its advantages.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is—

1. A neck-pad comprising a member adapted to fit the neck of the horse, and a bridge-piece connected therewith and having a plurality of longitudinal slots, and means for adjusting the bridge-piece relative to said member.

2. A neck-pad comprising a stiffening member having an opening therein, a covering member upon the under surface of the stiffening member, said covering member being bulged upward through the opening in the stiffening member, and a bridge-piece connected with said stiffening member.

3. A neck-pad comprising an elongated stiffening member having an enlarged central opening therein, and being formed with curled ends, a covering member upon the under surface of the stiffening member, said covering member being bulged upward

through the enlarged opening in the stiffening member and having perforations in said bulged portion, the ends of said covering member being curled around the curled ends of the stiffening member, uprights attached to the stiffening member, and a bridge-piece adjustably connected to the uprights and having therein a plurality of longitudinal slots.

10 4. A neck-pad comprising a stiffening to be formed with a central opening and shaped to conform to the neck of a horse, and a covering member secured on the under side of the stiffening member and projected upward through the opening in said member.

15 5. A neck-pad comprising a stiffening member to be formed with a central opening and shaped to conform to the neck of a horse, and a covering member secured on the under side of the stiffening member and projected upward through the opening in said member,

said covering member being formed with a series of openings in the upwardly-projecting portion.

6. A neck-pad comprising a stiffening member formed with a central opening, uprights secured to said opening, and a bridge-piece formed with a plurality of longitudinal slots adjustably connected to said uprights.

7. A neck-pad comprising a stiffening member, formed with an opening, a covering member secured to the under side of the stiffening member and projected upward through the opening therein, and means carried by the stiffening member to secure a collar to the pad.

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

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