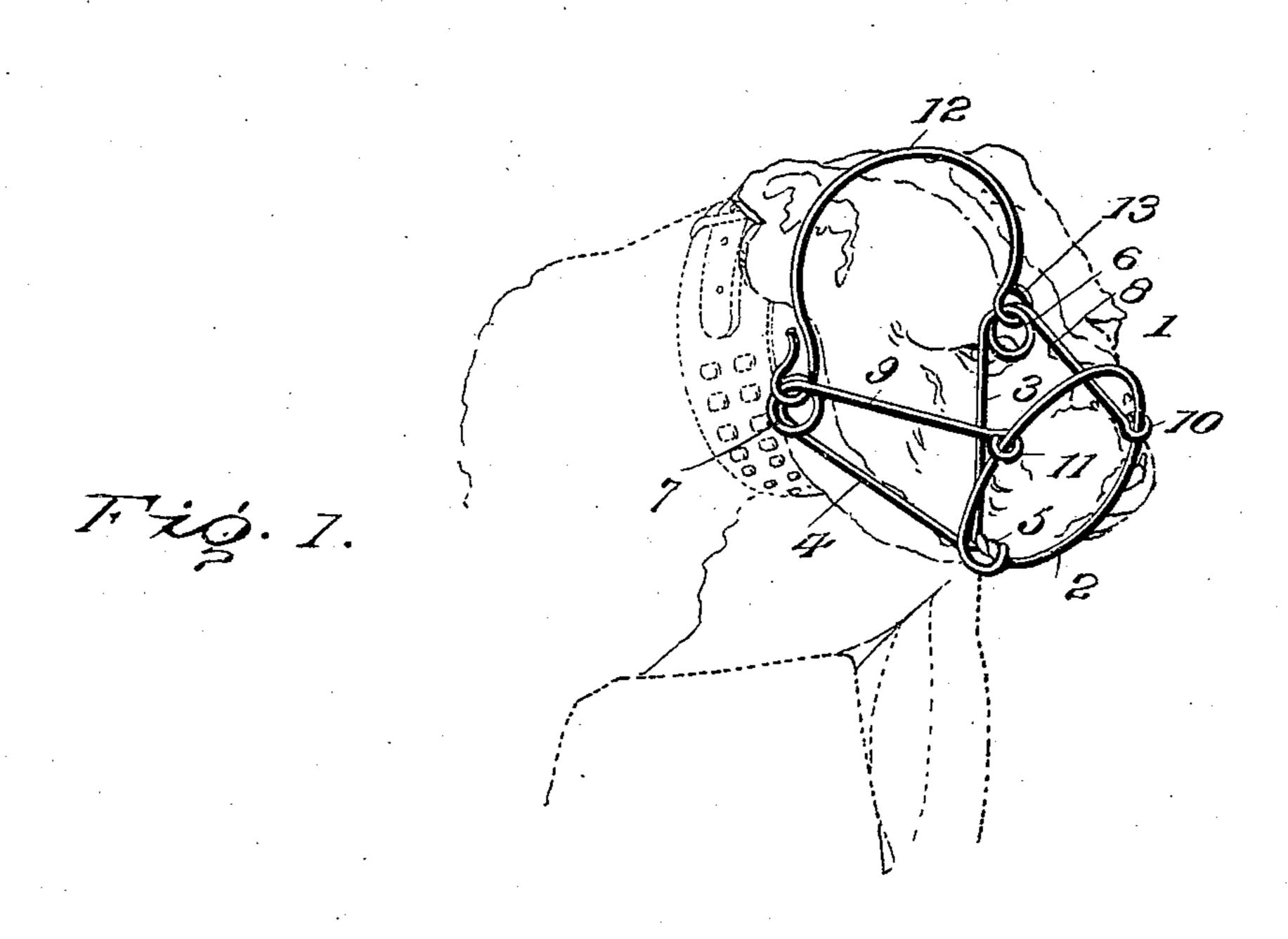
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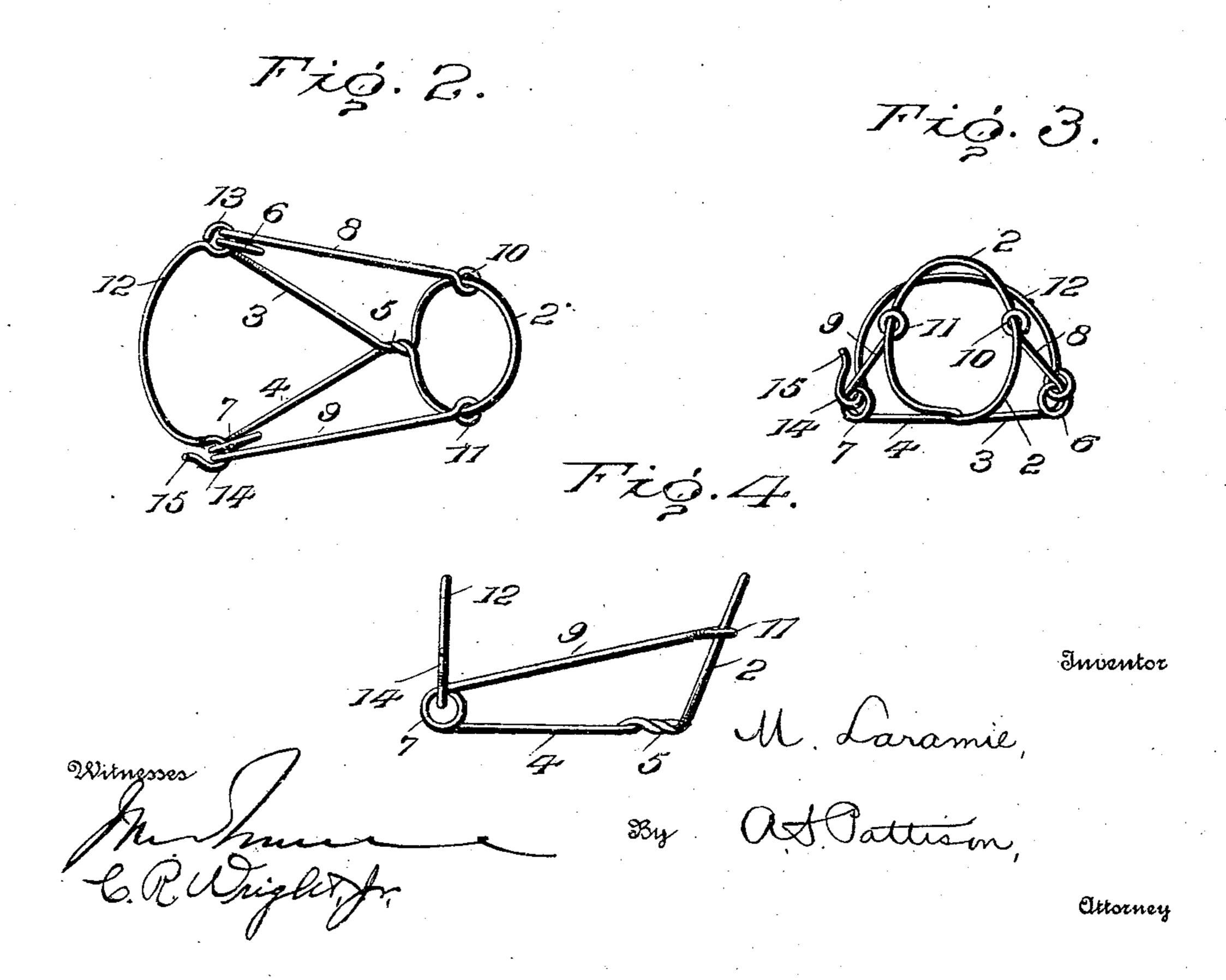
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MITCHELL LARAMIE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Willimantic, in the county of Windham and 5 State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Muzzles, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to improvements in muzzles, and pertains more particularly to

dog muzzles.

The object of my invention is to provide a muzzle of this character which is formed of two pieces of wire so bent and curved as to form a complete muzzle which is readily applicable to the dog.

Another object of my invention is to provide a simple, cheap and effective muzzle of

20 this character.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1, is a perspective view of my improved muzzle applied. Fig. 2, is a top plan view of my improved muzzle proved muzzle removed. Fig. 3, is an end

25 view. Fig. 4, is a side elevation.

Referring now to the drawings, 1 represents my improved muzzle which, as clearly shown, is formed of a piece of wire having intermediate its ends a loop 2 formed therein 30 which is adapted to pass over and around the mouth and nose of the dog. The said wires 3 and 4 are coiled at 5 at the lower end of the loop 2. The said loop 2 may be made of different sizes to fit different size animals, and 35 the other parts are correspondingly reduced or enlarged as the case may require. The said wires 3 and 4 diverge outwardly and upwardly and are formed into coils 6 and 7, and beyond said coils the wire extends out-40 wardly at 8 and 9 and have their free ends 10 and 11 bent around and firmly secured to the opposite sides of the loop 2 about midway the top and bottom.

The coil 6 has secured thereto the wire strap 12 fastened, as shown, by forming a ring 13 so that it is free to swing on the coil. The said strap is provided at its free end with a hooked end 14 which is adapted to hook into the coil 7. The said hook 14 is so formed through said coil 7, and by pulling it backward through said coil the upper outwardly-turned portion 15 of the coil may be passed with.

into the hook and the strap firmly held, as I

will now proceed to describe.

The application of the muzzle is as follows:—The dog's nose is passed through the loop 2 and said loop is of a size to pass upward about half-way of the dog's jaws. The coiled portion 5 is directly below the lower 60 jaw, while the wires 3 and 4 extend outwardly and upward, and the coils 6 and 7 are at the side of the dog's head, and the two forwardly-extending wires 8 and 9 are on a line with the mouth of the dog. The strap 12 is 65 then inserted through the coil 7, and drawn back so that the hook interlocks with the upper portion of the coil, and the said strap extends over the neck of the dog just back of its ears, preventing the muzzle from being 70 accidentally or otherwise removed until the strap is unfastened.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Pat-

ent, is:—

1. A muzzle of the character described, formed of a single piece of wire having a loop formed therein intermediate its ends, and the ends of the wire extending rearwardly and having coils formed therein, and the ends 80 of the wire extending forwardly and bent around the loop, and a securing strap formed of a piece of wire having one end secured to one coil and the opposite end adapted to interlock with the other coil.

2. A muzzle of the character described, formed of a single piece of wire having a loop formed therein intermediate its ends, and the ends of the wire bent around each other at the lower end of the loop and extending rear- 90 wardly and having coils formed therein, and the ends of the wire extending forwardly and bent around the loop adjacent its upper end.

3. A muzzle of the character described, formed of a single piece of wire having a loop 95 formed therein intermediate its ends and the ends of the wire bent around each other at the lower end of the loop, and extending rearwardly and having coils formed therein, and the ends of the wire beyond the coils extending forward and bent around the loop adiacent the upper end, a curved wire swingingly supported by one of the coils, and the opposite end having a hook adapted to pass through the other coil and interlock therewith.

4. A muzzle of the character described, formed of a single piece of wire having a loop formed therein, an equal distance from the ends, said ends twisted upon each other at right angles to the loop and extending outwardly and upwardly, and having coils formed therein, and the ends of the wire extending forward and bent around opposite sides of the loop adjacent the upper end, and a curved piece of wire swingingly supported

by one of the coils and the opposite end having a hook adapted to pass through the other coil and interlock therewith.

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

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