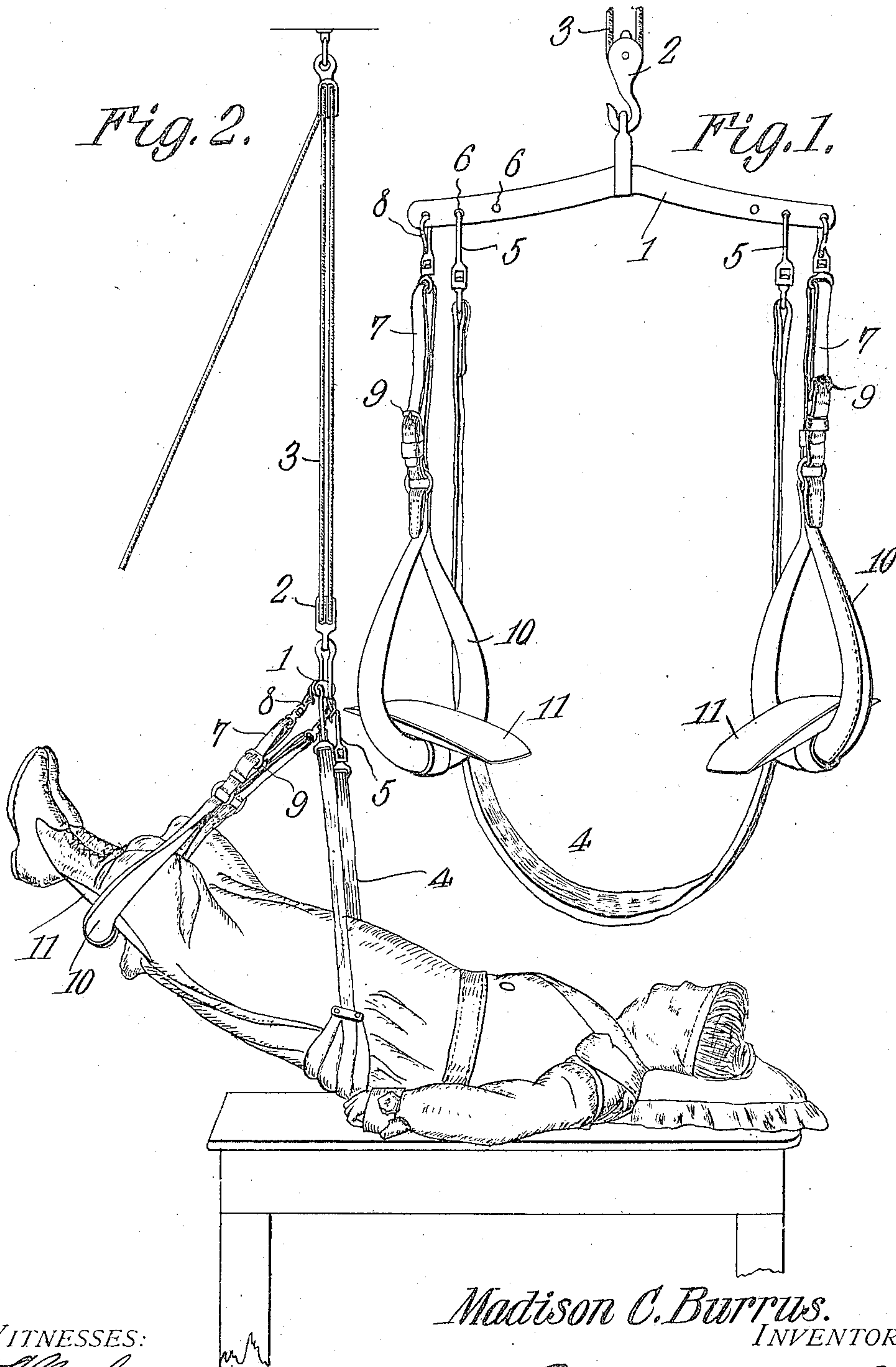


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, MADISON COOPER BURRUS, a citizen of the United States, residing at New Franklin, in the county of Howard and State of Missouri, have invented a new and useful Gynecological Sling, of which the following is a specification.

This invention has relation to gynecological slings and it consists in the novel construction and arrangement of its parts as hereinafter shown and described.

The object of the invention is to provide a sling to be used to advantage in returning or correcting abnormal positions of female pelvic organs when such organs are displaced by the unnatural pressure or presence of the small intestines within the pelvis. The sling may also be used for other purposes too numerous to mention.

The sling comprises a yard arm from which depends a hips receiving swing. Stirrups for receiving the lower legs of the patient also depend from the said yard arm. Each stirrup is provided with a pallet upon which the leg may rest in ease. Means is provided for elevating the sling and its attachments, whereby the limbs and hips of the patient are elevated and the body is held in inclined position with the head and shoulder resting upon a support. While in such position the smaller intestines may be readily withdrawn from the pelvis and thereby relieving the uterus, bladder or rectum from excessive pressure. The parts thus relieved will assume their normal positions and as a result of persistent treatment will become enabled to withstand such abnormal intestinal pressure.

In the accompanying drawing:—Figure 1 is a perspective of the sling, and Fig. 2 is a view of the sling with a patient therein.

The sling comprises a yard arm 1 which may be attached to or detached from the block 2. Said block is supported by a pendant tackle 3.

The hips receiving sling 4 is provided at its ends with swiveled hooks 5 which are adapted to engage the perforations 6, 6 provided in the yard arm 1.

The straps 7, 7 are provided with the snap-hooks 8 which also engage the perforations 6, 6 and which are provided with the buckles 9, 9 by means of which the said straps may be lengthened or shortened. The leg stirrups 10, 10 are attached to the lower portions of the said straps 7, 7 and the pallets 11, 11 are attached to the said stirrups and extend transversely through the same.

In operation the patient is placed with his back upon a table. The hips are placed in the sling 4 and the lower legs rest upon the pallets 11 in the stirrups 10. The tackle 3 is then shortened or taken up and the limbs and hips of the patient are elevated while the head and shoulders rest upon the table. When the body is in this position the force of gravity may be manually augmented in removing the small intestines from the pelvis as above indicated.

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

A sling comprising a pendent yard arm provided near each terminal with a plurality of orifices, a hips sling, swiveled hooks carried by the sling to engage a pair of the orifices, leg-supporting stirrups, adjustable straps connected therewith, swiveled hooks carried by the straps and engaging a second pair of the orifices, and pallets carried by the stirrups.

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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