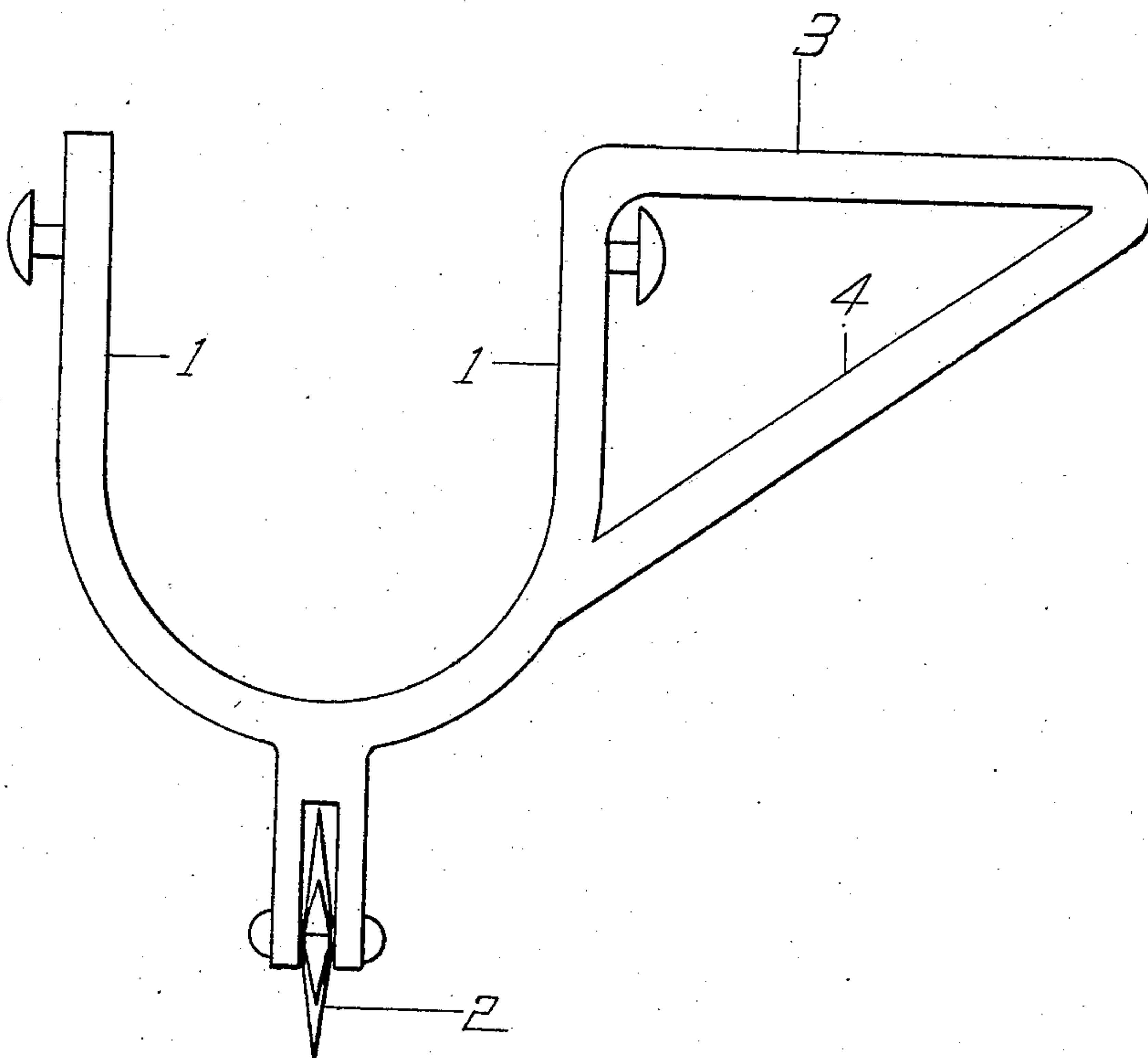


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM DEWITT MILLER, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Saco, in the county of Valley and State of Montana, have invented a new and useful Improvement in a Riding-Spur, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to an improved riding spur which is adapted to prevent the rider's feet from slipping through or becoming otherwise entangled in the stirrups of the saddle. It frequently occurs especially while riding vicious horses that the rider's foot slips through the stirrup and being unable to extract it he is thrown with one foot fast in the stirrup resulting generally in a fatal accident.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

Figure 1 is a top view of a riding spur showing my invention.

1 represents the frame of an ordinary riding spur, 2 is a spur wheel, 3 is a lateral projecting bar from the outer side of an arm of frame 1 and forms the main feature of my invention. 4 is a brace.

The lateral projecting bar 3 extends out a convenient distance and acts as a guard and is adapted to engage the stirrup and prevent

the rider's foot from going farther through the stirrup than is customary in riding. This lateral projection 3 may be used on the outer side of each of the arms of the frame and at different points along the frame, but it is preferable to have it on but one side and at or near the end of the arm of the frame as shown.

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

1. In a riding spur, the combination with the frame thereof of a lateral outwardly projecting bar 3 adapted to engage a stirrup, substantially as shown.

2. In a riding spur, the combination with the frame thereof of a stirrup engaging bar 3 projecting laterally and outwardly from the end of one arm of the spur frame 1 far enough to engage a stirrup; and a brace 4 supporting the outward end of bar 3 from a rearward portion of said spur frame 1, substantially as shown.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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