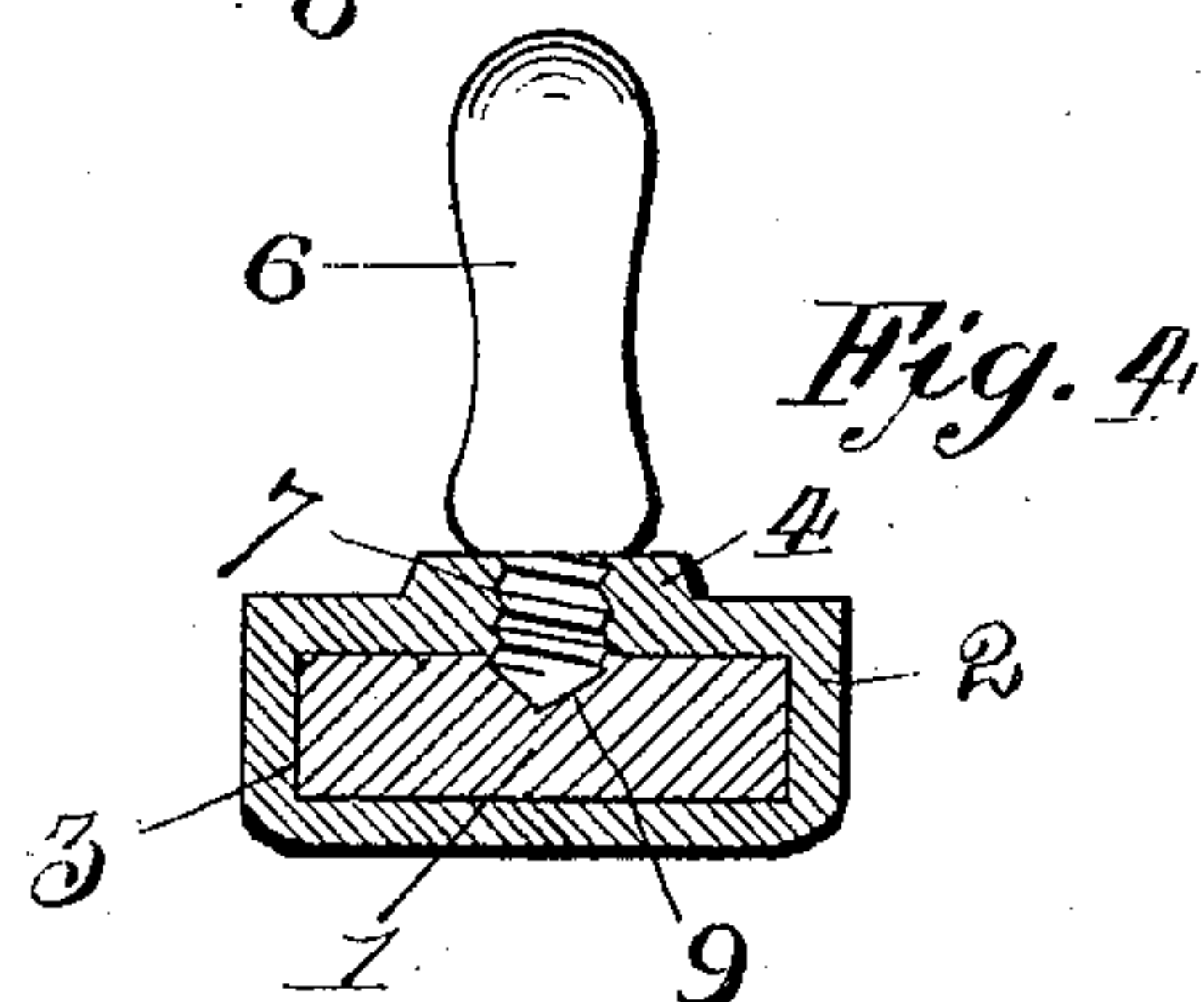
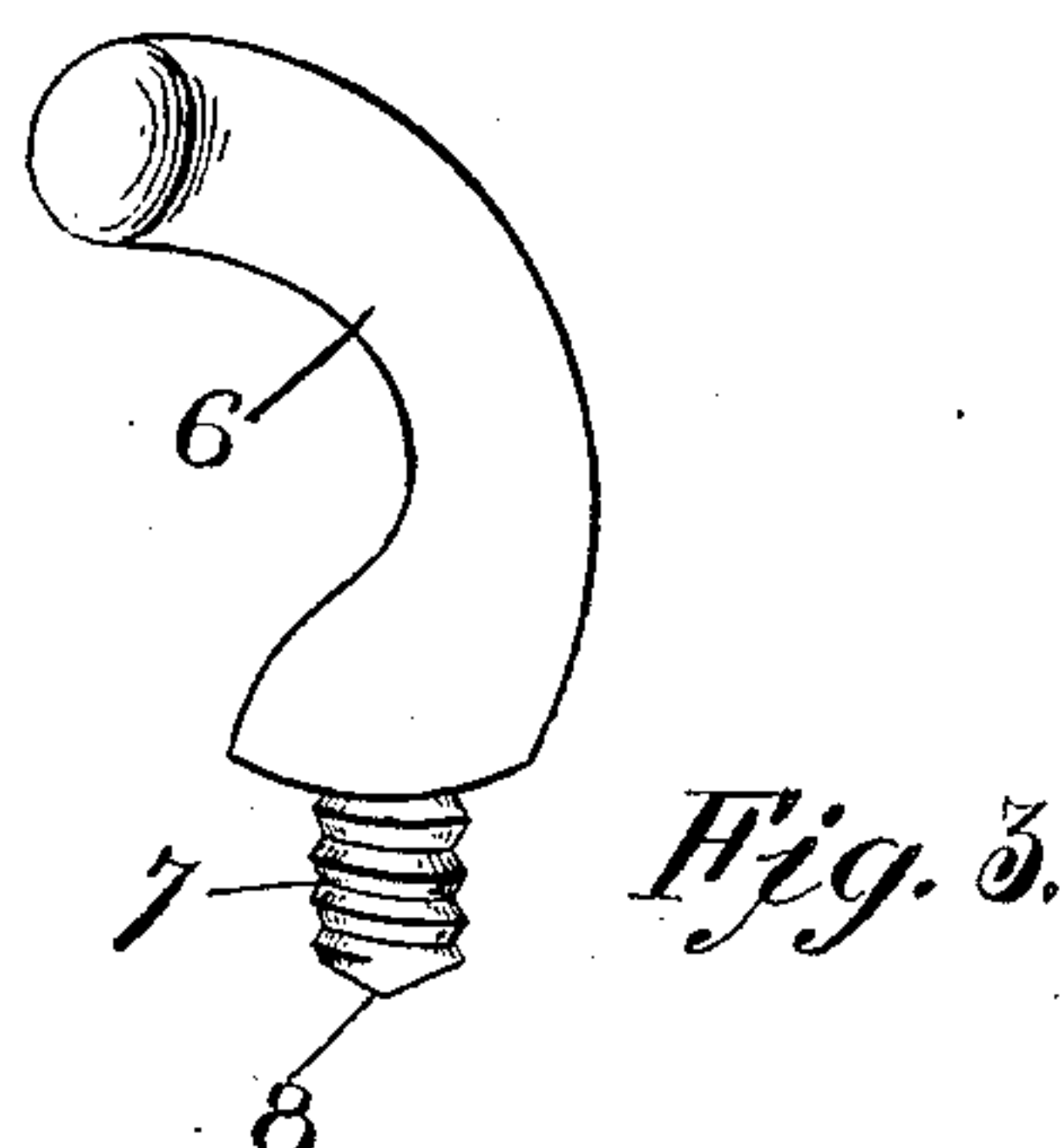
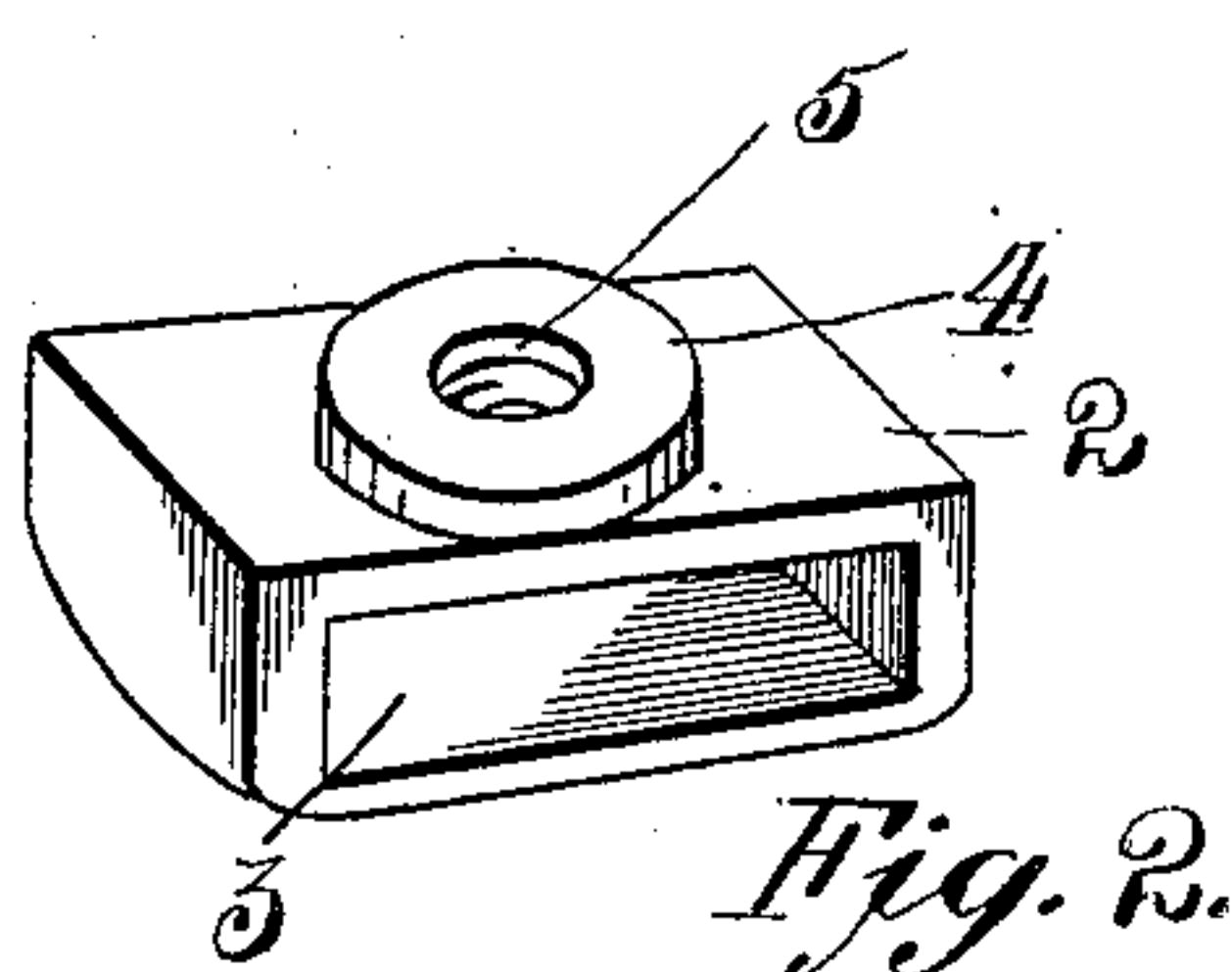
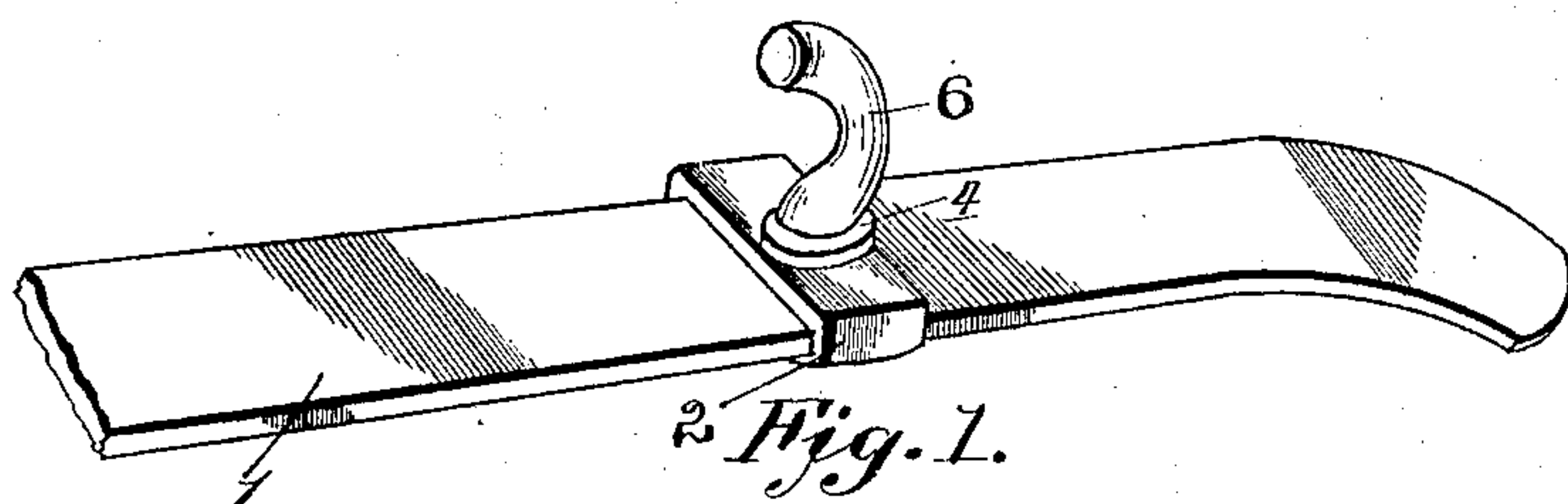


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS V. WALLACE, citizen of the United States of America, residing at Monongahela, in the county of Washington and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Rein-Holder Supports, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in rein holders and supports, and relates more particularly to a rein holder adapted to be used in connection with a harness for supporting a rein between the saddle of a harness and the driver's seat.

The invention has for its object to provide a novel attachment for harnesses, which can be easily and quickly applied to support the reins of a harness and prevent them from sagging, being caught in other parts of the harness or dropping to the ground.

My improved attachment is particularly adapted for use upon the hip straps of a harness for supporting the reins between the saddle of the harness and the driver's seat, although it can be readily used in connection with the breast strap or collar of a harness for supporting the reins between the bridle and the saddle of a harness.

Briefly described, my improved attachment for harness comprises a sleeve through which a strap, such as a hip strap of a harness is adapted to pass and in the sleeve I secure a curved prong or member having a screw threaded shank, which is adapted to engage in the strap and position the sleeve and member properly whereby it can support the reins of a harness.

The above construction will be herein-after more fully described and then specifically pointed out in the claims, and referring to the drawing accompanying this application, like numerals of reference designate corresponding parts throughout the several views, in which:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a strap equipped with my improved rein support, Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the sleeve used in connection with the rein support, Fig. 3 is a perspective view of a supporting curved prong or member, and Fig. 4 is a vertical sectional view of the sleeve of my improved rein support illustrating a strap mounted therein and held by a curved prong or member.

In the accompanying drawing I have illustrated a strap 1 which may represent the breast strap or hip strap of a harness and upon this strap is adapted to be mounted a sleeve 2 having an opening 3 formed therein corresponding in contour to the strap in cross section. The one face of the sleeve is provided with a boss 4, preferably formed integral with the sleeve and centrally of said boss I provide a vertically disposed screw threaded aperture or opening 5 in which is adapted to be secured a curved prong or member 6, the one end of which is provided with a screw threaded shank 7 adapted to engage in the aperture 5. The prong or member 6 is made of a substantial curvature to support a rein, and in order to lock the sleeve in engagement with the strap, I have provided the end of the screw threaded shank 7 with a tapering or pointed end 8, which is adapted to engage in the strap 1 as indicated at 9 in Fig. 4 of the drawing.

From the foregoing it will be observed that my improved rein support is made of two parts which can be easily and quickly placed upon a harness, without re-constructing any part of the same. By providing the screw threaded shank 7 with a tapering end, the curved prong or member 6 serves functionally two purposes, namely to support a rein and to hold the sleeve in engagement with the strap upon which it is mounted. The rein support can be readily used upon any part of a harness where it is desired to support a strap or rein, and while I have herein described the preferred manner of constructing my improved rein holder, it is obvious that various changes may be made in the details of construction without departing from the general spirit and scope of the invention.

What I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:—

A rein holder adapted to be carried by a hip strap comprising a rectangular sleeve having the top and bottom walls thereof of the same length and width and the side walls of the same height and length, the length of the inner face of each of the top and bottom walls being the same as the width of the hip strap and the height of the inner face of each of the side walls being the same as the thickness of the strap, said sleeve having its lower wall imperforate and its upper wall provided with a centrally disposed screw-threaded opening, said sleeve further having

its lower face flat and uninterrupted through-
out, said sleeve further having each lower
corner rounded to prevent injury to the
animal, said top wall further provided on its
5 outer face with a circular boss of a diameter
so as to extend respectively to the side edges
of the side wall and to a point removed from
each of the end walls, that portion of the
outer face of the top wall which extends
10 from the boss being flat and uninterrupted
throughout, and an upwardly extending
prong member having a reduced screw-

threaded shank provided with a pointed lower
end, said shank of a length sufficient to ex-
tend through the boss and beyond the inner 15
face of the top wall of the sleeve and engage
in the upper face of the hip strap upon which
the sleeve is mounted.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature
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