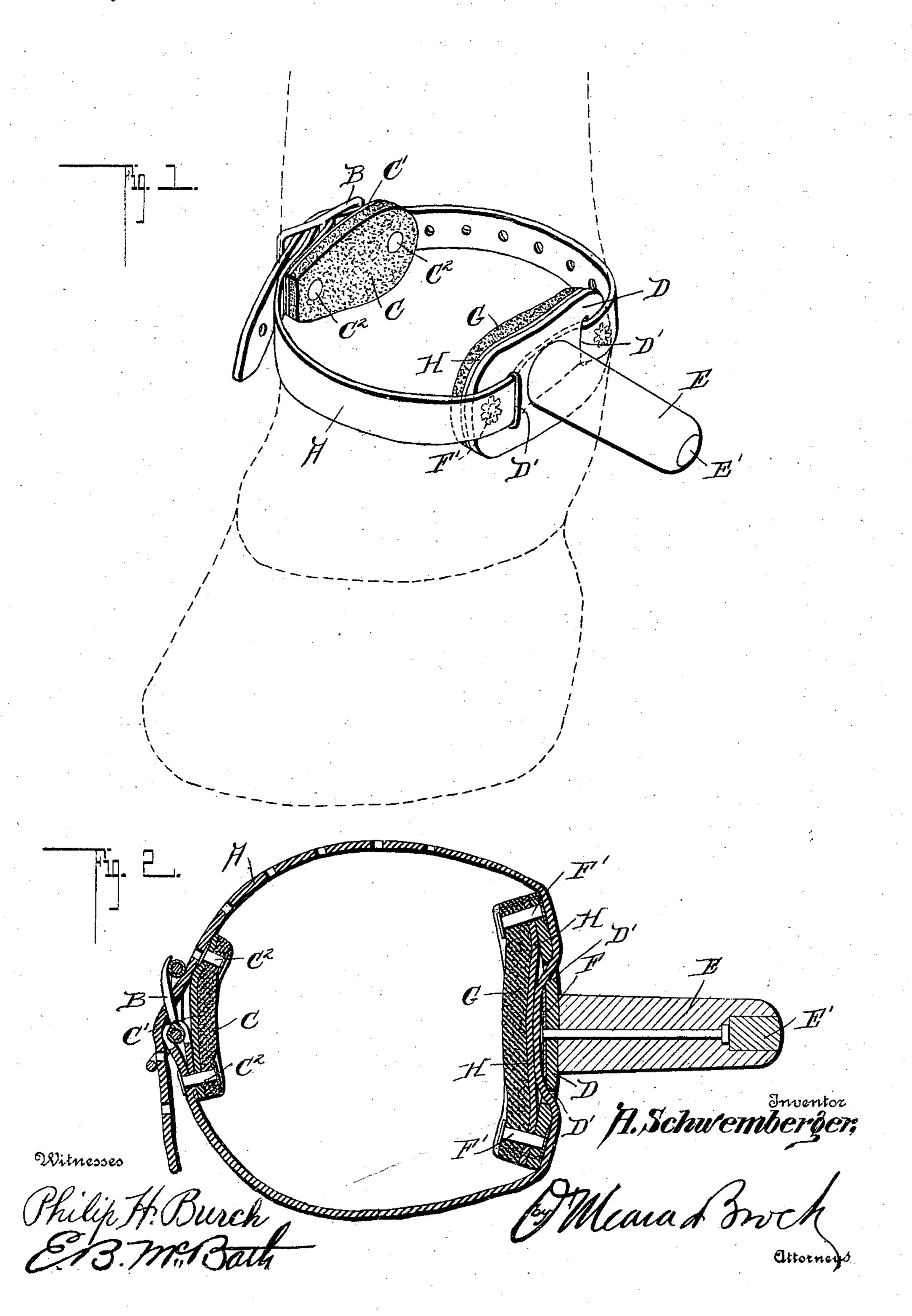
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Albert Schwemberger, a citizen of the United States, residing at New Albany, in the county of Floyd and State of Indiana, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Interfering-Boots for Horses, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to interfering boots for horses the object being to provide a boot with a wooden fender which will prevent striking of the hoof against the fetlock.

A further object of my invention is to provide a boot which is so constructed that it can be easily and quickly attached or detached from the leg of a horse and one which will not injure the leg in any manner.

A still further object of the invention is to provide a boot with a wooden fender whereby the fender will always be held rigid so that it will extend inwardly in the proper position at all times thereby overcoming the difficulties now existing with boots having a leather fender as the leather becomes wet and gets soft so that it drops down.

A still further object of the invention is to provide the boot with pads which are so arranged in respect to the buckle and fender that all danger of the leg of the horse beson coming sore at the point where the boot is placed is prevented.

With these objects in view my invention consists of the novel features of construction, combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter described, pointed out in the claims and shown in the accompanying drawings, in which,

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved boot showing it applied to the leg of a horse and, Fig. 2 is a horizontal section through the boot.

In carrying out my improved invention I employ a strap A which is provided with a buckle B at one end over which is arranged a felt pad C which is secured to a strip of leather C' by rivets C² one of the rivets passing through the strap A adjacent the buckle and adapted to extend over the buckle in such a manner that all danger of the animal becoming rubbed by the buckle is prevented.

Arranged over the strap A is a piece of leather D which is provided with slots D' through which the strap passes and between the slots is secured a wooden fender E by

a rivet and washer F so that the same will be held outwardly in the position shown in Fig. 1 firmly whereby it will strike against the other leg of the horse when the legs are brought too close together which will prevent the horse from interfering as after the wooden fender strikes the opposite leg once or twice the horse will spread his legs in traveling which will in time break the horse of interfering.

Secured to the piece of leather D by a pin F' is a felt pad G which is provided with a leather facing H adapted to engage the strap A and piece of leather D as clearly shown in Fig. 2 so as to increase the wear of 70 the same and it will be seen that by arranging the felt pad as shown and providing the same with a fender the fender will yield to a certain extent when it is brought into engagement with the leg of the animal whereby 75 all danger of the leg becoming injured is prevented and it will be seen that by having the pad movably mounted on the strap A it can be shifted to any position desired so as to bring the fender into the correct position. 80

From the foregoing description it will be seen that I have provided an interfering boot for horses which is provided with a slidably mounted felt pad which is carried by a piece of leather which carries a wooden 85 fender and it will be seen that should the fender become detached at any time accidentally the pad can be readily removed and a new one inserted.

It will also be seen that by this construc- 90 tion it is only necessary to use a boot on one leg of the horse thereby overcoming the difficulty of placing one upon each leg and at the same time accomplishing the same result that is now accomplished by the use of 95 two boots.

The fender E is provided with a longitudinal bore through which the rivet F passes, the outer end of the fender being provided with an enlarged bore in which is 100 placed a plug E' after the rivet has been forced in position through the bore and it will be seen that by this arrangement the fender will be securely held in position without any danger of it being accidentally de- 105 tached.

What I claim is:—

As a new article of manufacture, an interfering boot for horses comprising a strap having a buckle at one end and a pad ar- 110

ranged under said buckle, a rectangular piece of leather provided with spaced slits through which said strap passes, said piece of leather having a felt pad for covering the inner face of the same, a tapering wooden fender extending laterally from the outer face of said piece of leather between said slits, said fender being provided with a longitudinal bore terminating at its outer end in an enlarged portion, a rivet extending

through said bore having a head at its outer end and secured to said piece of leather at its inner end for holding said fender centrally and a plug arranged within the enlarged bore of said fender.

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