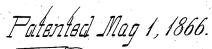
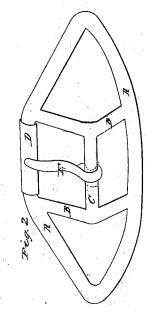
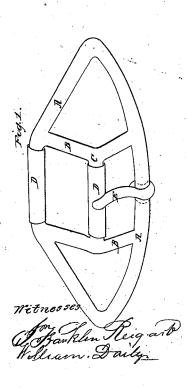
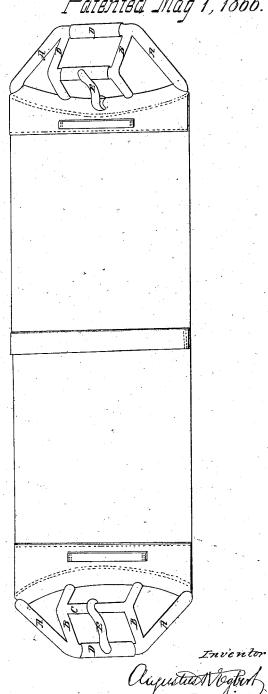
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IMPROVED BUCKLE.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 54,313, dated May 1, 1866.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, AUGUSTUS R. EGBERT, of the city of Philadelphia, county of Philadelphia, and State of Pennsylvania, have invented an Improved Buckle for Fastening Belts or Saddle-Girths; and I do hereby declare the following to be an exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification.

Figure 1 represents the buckle with the tongue on the side for one side of the girth. Fig. 2 shows the buckle with the tongue on the center for the opposite side of the girth. Fig. 3 represents a girth with the buckles attached.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction of the buckle which gives strength to the buckle, and the attachment of a wider belt or girth than can be fastened to the ordinary buckle.

The buckle is to be made of malleable iron, and the same casting answers at both ends of

a girth, and is intended to take the place of a separate buckle and ring as now used, having extensions at the sides to enable broad girths to be used.

A represents the sides and angular ends or extensions of the buckle; B B, the cross-bars, raised in the centers, where they are braced by a connecting-bar, C. D is a roller on the side A, or on the center bar, c, that the tongue rests on, the tongue E being attached to one side, A, or to the center bar, C, as shown at Fig. 3, to suit either end of a girth.

The bar to which the tongue is attached has a slight groove, in which the tongue fits so as not to move to either side.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The construction of the buckle with the extended angular ends and raised center, as herein described, and for the purpose set forth.

AUGUSTUS R. EGBERT.

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