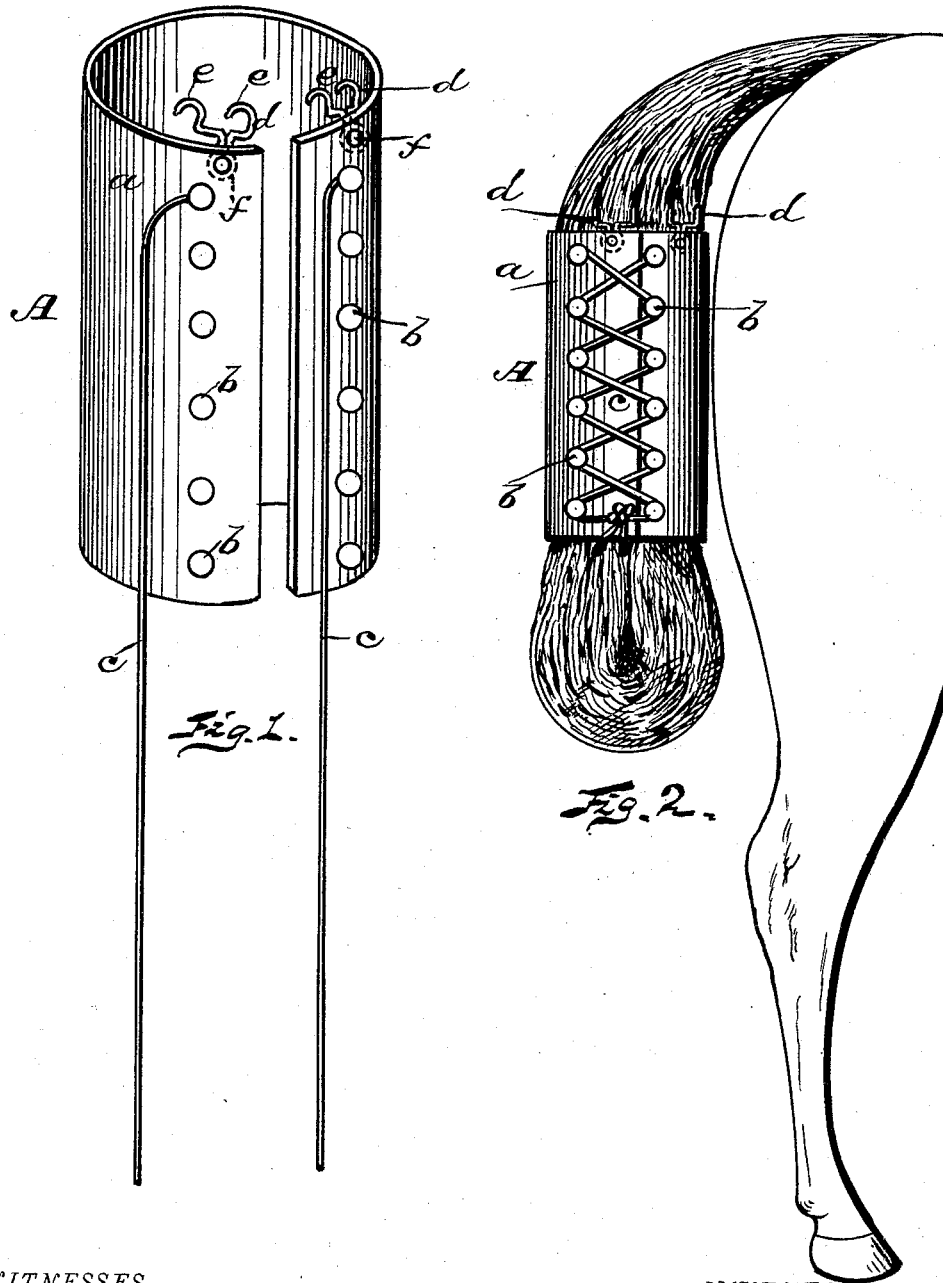


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, OLIVER HAZEN MUNTZ, a citizen of the United States, residing at Greenville, in the county of Mercer and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Holders for Horses' Tails; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to improvements in devices for holding a horse's tail; and it consists in the novel construction and arrangement of a flexible band, and in combination therewith of a gripping device for retaining the band in position when applied to the tail, all as will be hereinafter more fully described.

The annexed drawings, to which reference is made, fully illustrate my invention, in which—

Figure 1 represents a side view of my device applied to the tail of a horse, and Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the same.

Referring by letter to the accompanying drawings, A designates the holder, consisting of flexible band *a*, lacing-hooks *b*, cords *c*, and retaining-hooks *d*. These lacing-cords are attached by one end to the top of the band or holder, and, after the tail is arranged or placed

in position for tying, the band A is applied and the strings are carried back and forth over the lacing-hooks, thus drawing or lacing up the band around the tail, after which the two free ends of said cords are tied together. In order to prevent the holder from slipping downwardly on the animal's tail, I provide a retaining-hook on each corner of the band. These hooks are constructed with two prongs, *e e*, and an eye, *f*, which latter is designed to receive a rivet or other fastening by which said hook can be secured to the holder.

It will be seen that after the band is applied to the tail of a horse and laced up the hooks are designed to prevent the band from slipping down by said prongs grasping the hair of the tail, and it is simple in operation and cheap to manufacture.

What I claim is—

The herein-described holder for the tail of the horse, consisting of a flexible band, the two ends thereof having lacing studs and cords, and provided with retaining-hooks, all substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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