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Fig. 1

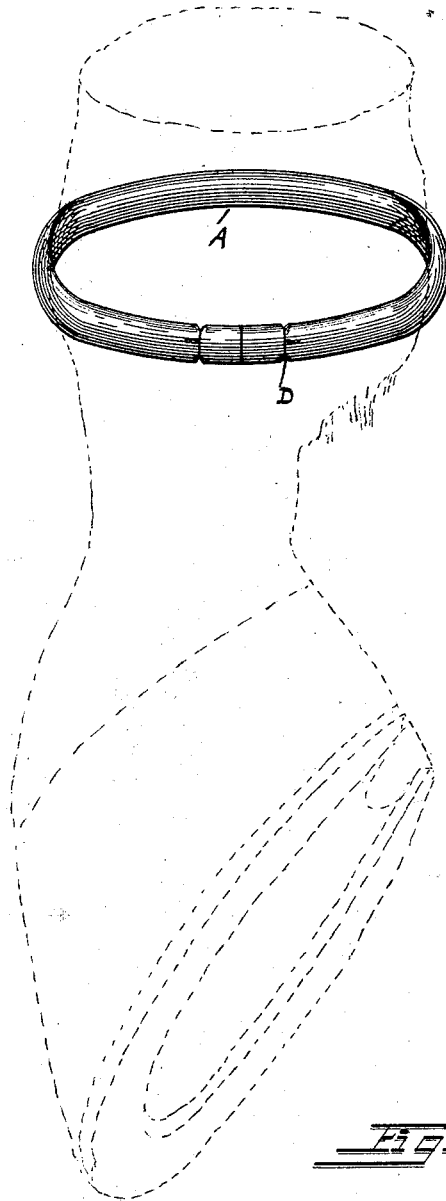
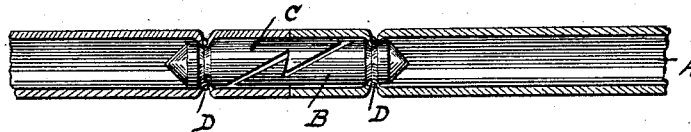


Fig. 2



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES C. COVERT, a citizen of the United States, residing at West Troy, in the county of Albany and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Interfering-Boots for Horses, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to improvements in interfering-boots for horses; and it consists of the peculiarities hereinafter described, and more fully pointed out in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and on which like letters of reference indicate corresponding features, Figure 1 represents a perspective view of my improved boot, showing the lower part of the animal's leg and the boot in dotted lines; and Fig 2. is a sectional view of the connecting ends of the boot and the fastening devices.

The letter A designates the body of the boot, consisting of a section of india-rubber or rubber fabric, of tubular form, of sufficient diameter to protect the spot usually interfered with by the foot of the opposite leg, and, when tubular, of sufficient thickness in the wall to withstand yet yield to the blows of the foot. In or to the ends of this boot are attached the fastening devices, consisting of wooden or metallic hooks B and C, whose shanks are circumferentially grooved to receive the body of the boot when drawn into it by the encircling band or wire D. This is the preferred manner of securing the hooks, and this form of fastening device is deemed best; yet it is obvious that other forms and other means of attaching both this

and other forms to the body may be employed. The ends of the bands D are united by twisting them, as seen in Fig. 1.

It will be observed that the fastening devices are entirely covered by the body of the boot, so as to present a finished exterior, and to prevent any possible injury should the boot by accident become so turned on the leg as to bring the fastening next to the interfering-foot. Again, when inclosed, the ends of the body act as elastic collars or springs to prevent the disengagement of the parts or members of the fastening. This is a matter of advantage in use and of economy in manufacture.

The boot is easily applied and quickly removed, and is light, durable, and comparatively inexpensive, as has been ascertained by actual use and experimental production.

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

A boot for animal's legs, consisting of a tubular rubber band, and fastening devices composed of two hooks, one secured to each end of the tube within the same and constructed, with the sides thereof, which come together when the boot is fastened, with inclined notched faces, whereby the overlapping hooks are of substantially the same diameter as the shank of either hook, and whereby the interlocking parts are covered by the tube, substantially as shown and described.

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

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