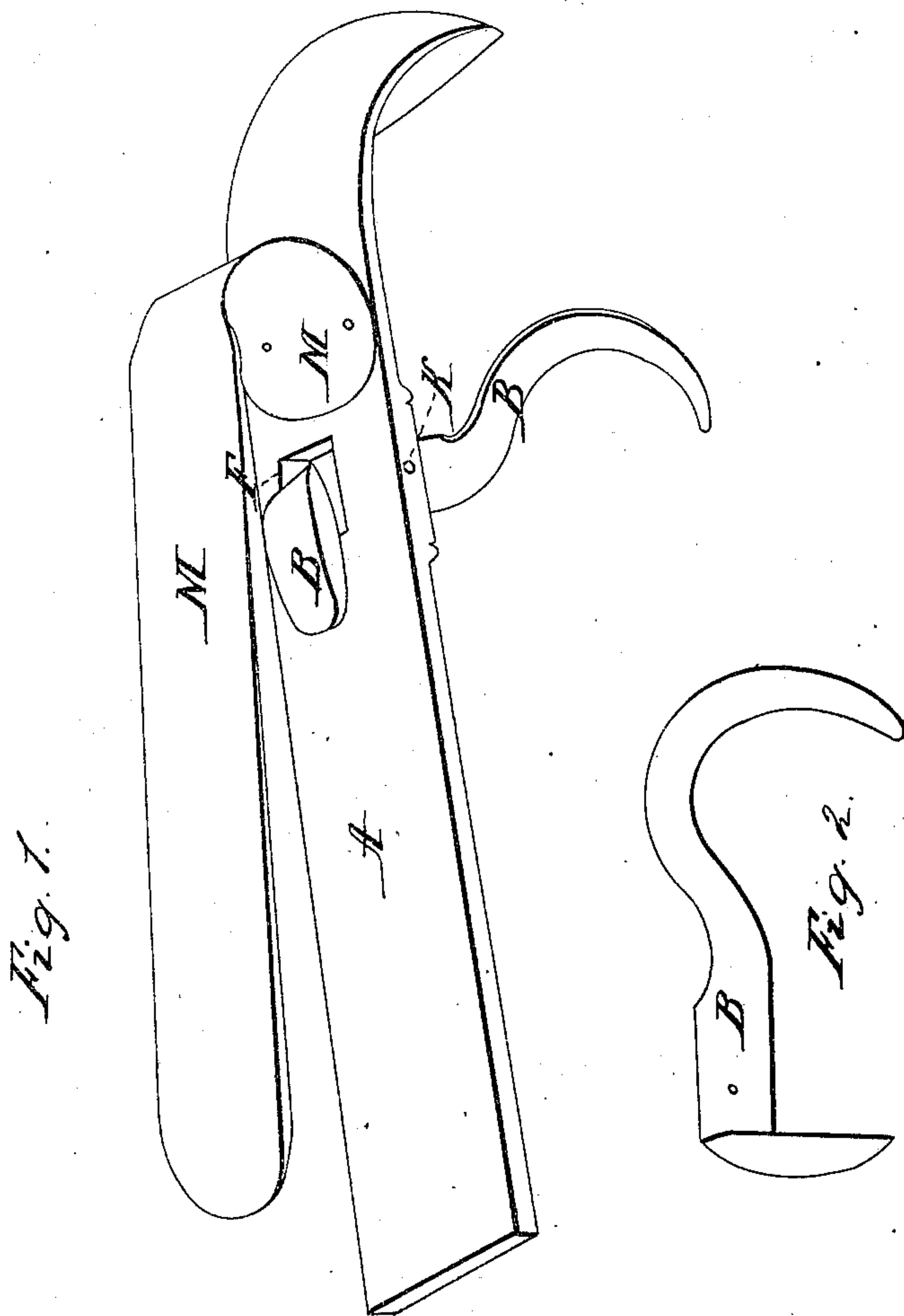


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IMPROVED HAND-JACK FOR CONGRESS GAITERS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 57,297, dated August 21, 1866.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY F. DOUGHERTY, of the city of Monmouth, in the county of Warren and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Machine for Drawing Congress Gaiters onto the Foot; and I hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view, and Fig. 2 a detached sectional view.

Letter A, Fig. 1, represents an iron bar of malleable iron or other metal about seven inches long, three-quarters of an inch wide, and three-sixteenths of an inch thick, bent at the end and fitted to the thumb and containing opening F, in which the catch B, Fig. 1, works on the pin K. (Said catch seen full-size side view at Fig. 2.) To the bar A is also attached the shoeing-horn M, Fig. 1, bent or curved so that it nearly strikes the catch B to protect from being pressed together.

The catch B is malleable iron or other metal, and the spring shoeing-horn M can be formed of brass, steel, or any spring material.

To operate this machine it is only necessary to pass the shoeing-horn down the inside of the back part of the gaiter until the top of the gaiter can be caught between the catch B and bar A; then grasping the curved end of the catch with the fingers, while the thumb is on the bar A at the thumb-hold, now, if the foot is started in the gaiter it can readily and easily be drawn on without risk of tearing, the bar A extending down the outside and resting against the heel of the shoe, while the horn M extends down inside to pass the upper edge of the counter.

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

1. The bar A and catch B, operating substantially as described and for the purposes set forth.

2. The combination of the bar A and catch B with the shoeing-horn M, substantially as described and for the purpose set forth.

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