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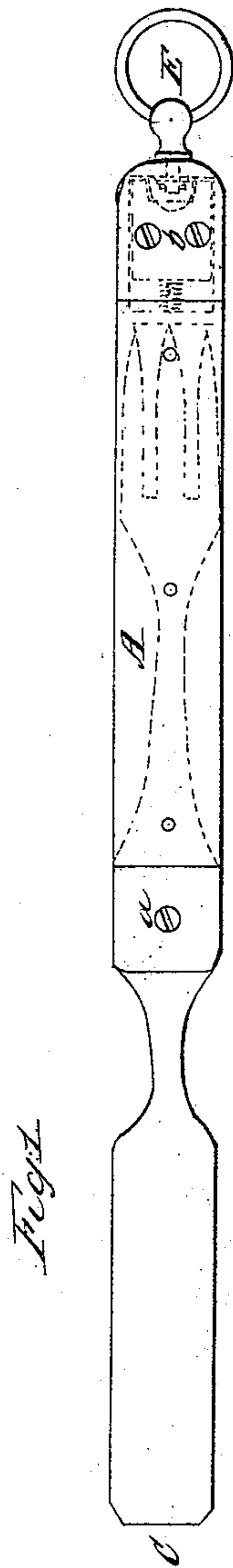


Fig. 1.

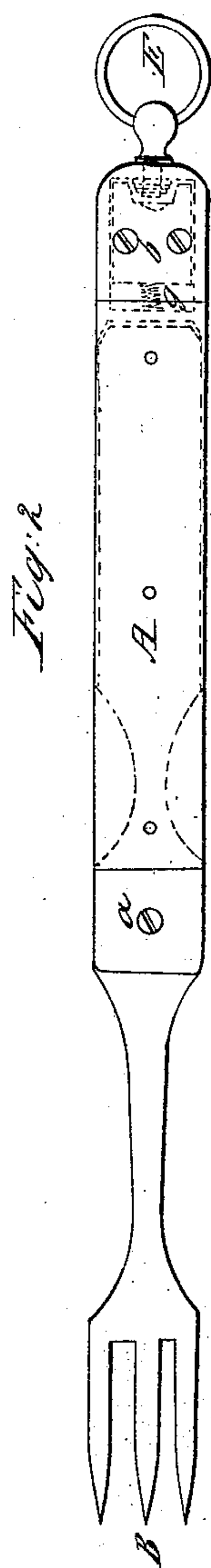


Fig. 2.

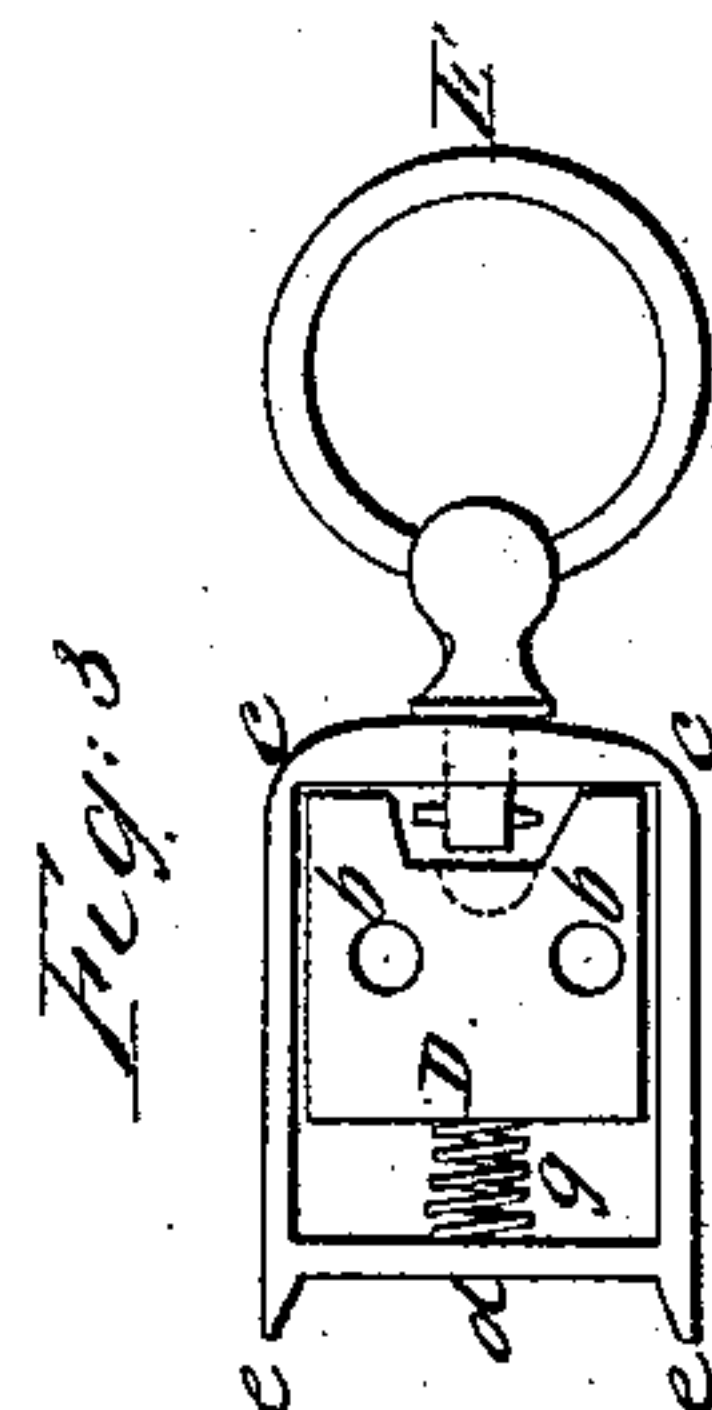


Fig. 3.

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IMPROVED FORK AND CAKE LIFTER.

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The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, P. L. SUINE, of Shirleysburg, county of Huntingdon, and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful improved Culinary Instrument; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a side view when the instrument is in position for one of its uses.

Figure 2, the same view when in position for another use.

Figure 3 is a detached view of a sliding-spring catch for holding it in place.

This invention relates to a new article for domestic use; it is an instrument that may be used for two different purposes by a change of position or merely shifting end for end in the same handle. One end of it is a fork and the other a lifter or turner for griddle cakes, fried eggs, and other similar purposes.

Similar letters of reference indicate like parts.

A is handle made like a razor handle, with long flat sides of bone, metal, or other suitable material, with open edges. The instrument is made of iron or steel, having at one end a fork, B, fig. 2, and at the other end a long flat blade, C, like a spatula, with blunt edges and a thin broad point. It is pivoted in the middle at *a*, at the end of the handle A, so that it may be turned end for end with either the fork projecting and the blade within the handle, or *vice versa*, as shown in figs. 1 and 2. Either the fork or the blade is held in place within the handle, while one or the other is projected and in use by means of a sliding-catch and spring fitted in one end of the handle. A flat rectangular block-piece, D, is inserted between the sides of the handle A, at the end, and fastened to them by rivets, *b b*. The metal block, D, is enclosed by a metal yoke or frame, *c*, which is fitted nicely within the handle so that it may slide easily by means of a ring handle, E, attached to it at the extremity of the handle A. A cross-bar, *d*, connects the inner side of the yoke or frame, *c*, leaving projections, *e e*, at the sides, and between the cross-bar *d* and the stationary block D is a spiral spring, *g*, the expansion of which keeps the yoke, *c*, in place under the sides of the handle A, but the spring contracts when the yoke is drawn out by the ring E for the purpose of changing the fork B or the turning blade C, to bring one or the other within the handle A. By the expansion of the spring *g*, when either the blade or the fork is in place, the projections *e e*, on the yoke *c*, catch on the point and hold the fork or blade in the handle while the one or the other is in use.

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

An improved culinary instrument formed by combining the fork B and the flat blade C in one piece, pivoted at one end of the handle A and held in place when reversed, for the use of either the fork or the blade, by the yoke *c*, under pressure of the spiral spring *g*, arranged and operating as described.

The above specification of my invention signed by me this 5th day of October, 1866.

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