

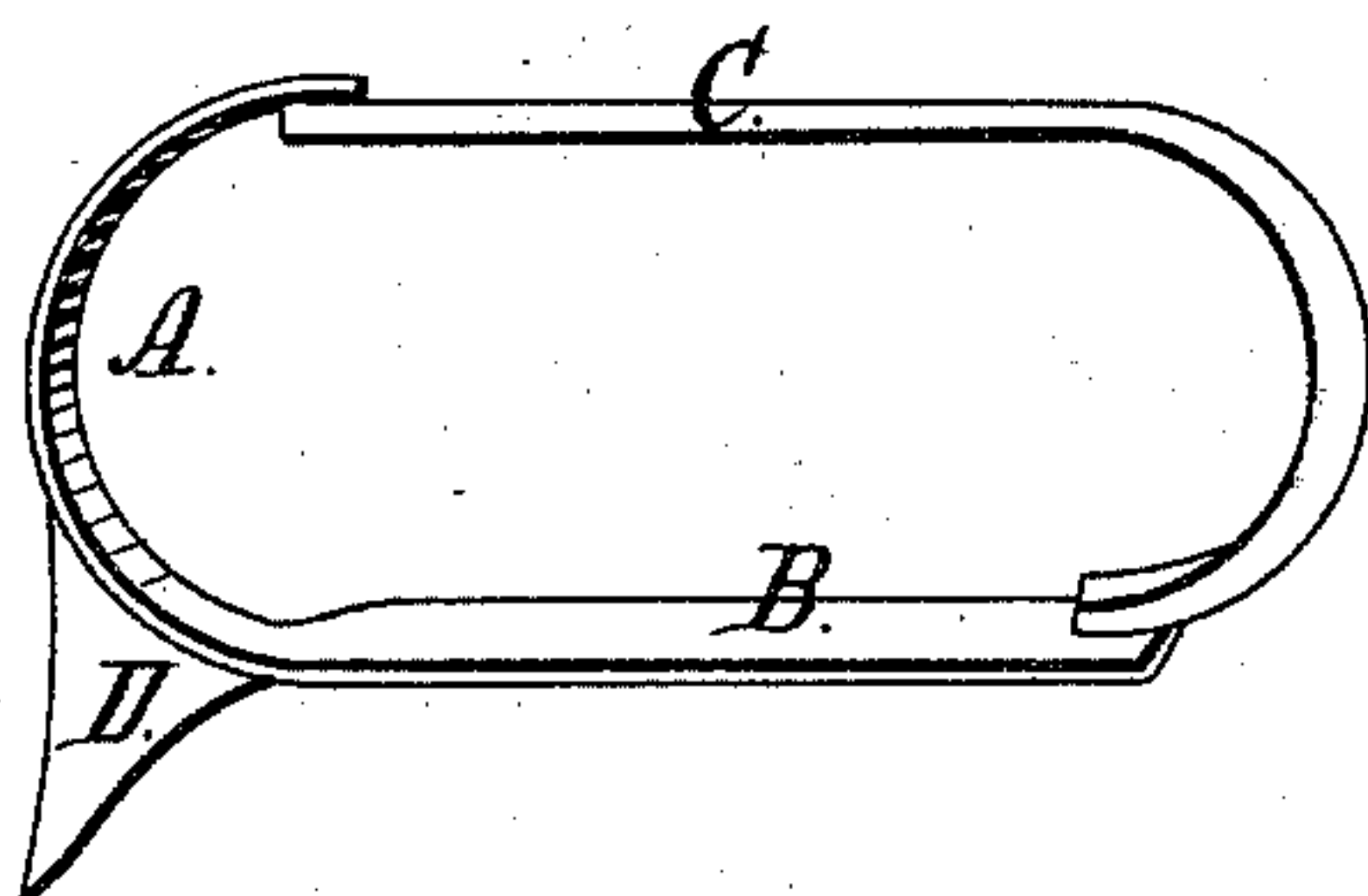
*O. M. Pond,*

*Corn Husker.*

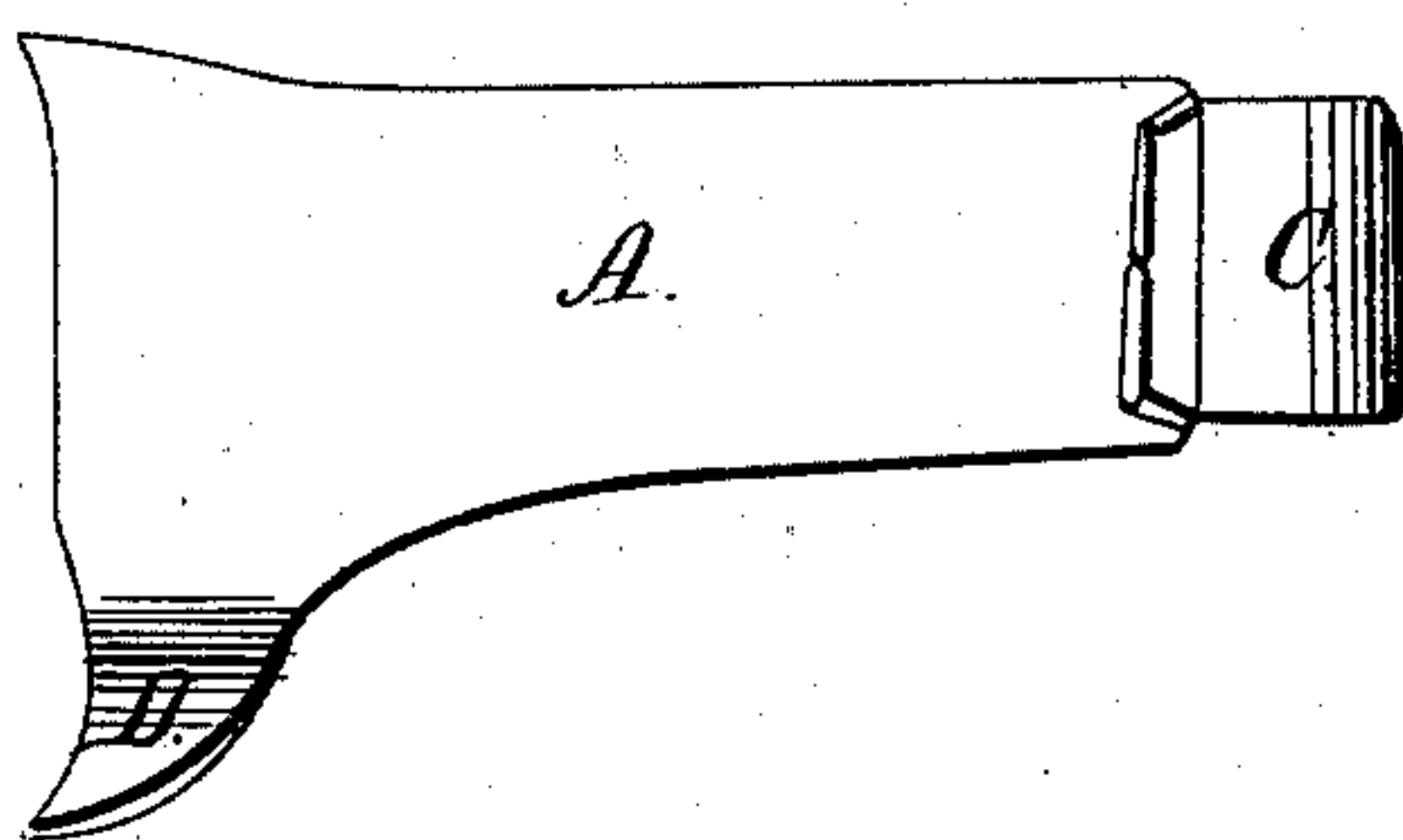
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Witnesses.*

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## IMPROVEMENT IN CORN-HUSKERS.

*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, O. M. POND, of Independence, in the county of Buchanan, and State of Iowa, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Corn-Huskings; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and complete description of the construction of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a top view of the husker.

Figure 2 is a side view of the same.

Like letters of reference refer to like parts in the views.

This implement consists of a metallic plate of the shape shown in the drawing. The curved part A, fig. 1, is made to fit the forefinger of the right hand between the knuckle and first joint. Part B of the plate is convex transversely on the under side, so as to adapt it to the curve of the closed fingers, across which it reaches to the little finger. The husker is secured to the hand by the elastic band C, which is attached to each end of the plate. D is a sharp projecting point by which the husk is stripped from the corn; the position of this point is such as to be opposite to the thumb, and between which the ear is grasped for husking. The outside of the plate is concave transversely, in which the ear is more securely held for the purpose of breaking it from the stalk. It will be seen that the plate is broader across immediately back of the point than elsewhere; this serves to protect the finger from abrasion. I am aware that metallic huskers have been made similar in shape and construction to this, but that which distinguishes my invention is the securing the husker to the hand by the elastic band C, so that it is thereby rendered easier to the hand, as the opening and shutting of the fingers causes a strain upon the band which yields to the force, and thereby the fingers are not cramped as is the case with the huskers when made entirely of metal or secured by a non-elastic band; also, by the application of the elastic webbing, the husker is easily adapted to different-sized hands; hence it is much more convenient, and is less liable to slip off while in use.

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

The metallic plate A, constructed and arranged as herein described, in combination with the elastic band C, as a new article of manufacture.

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