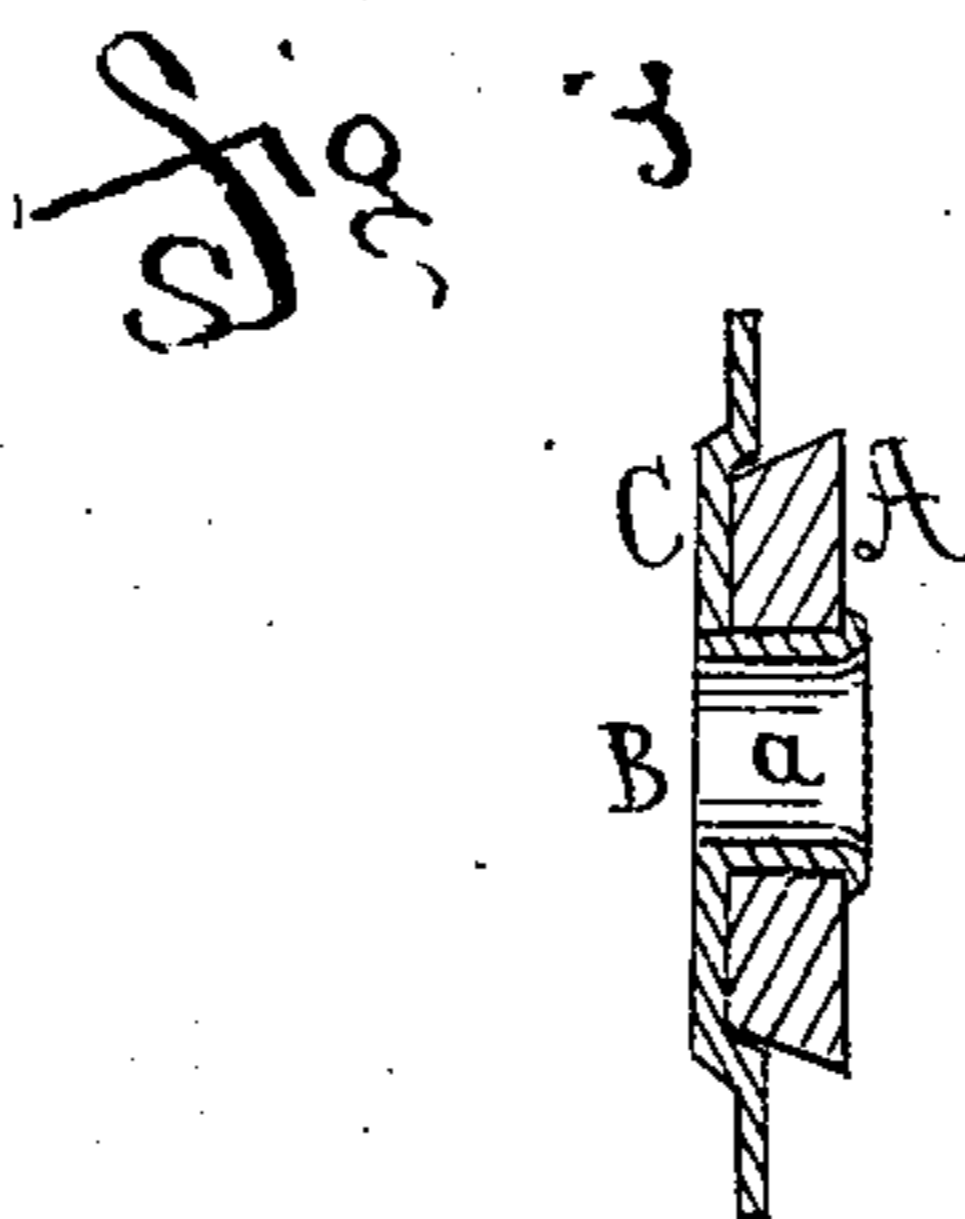
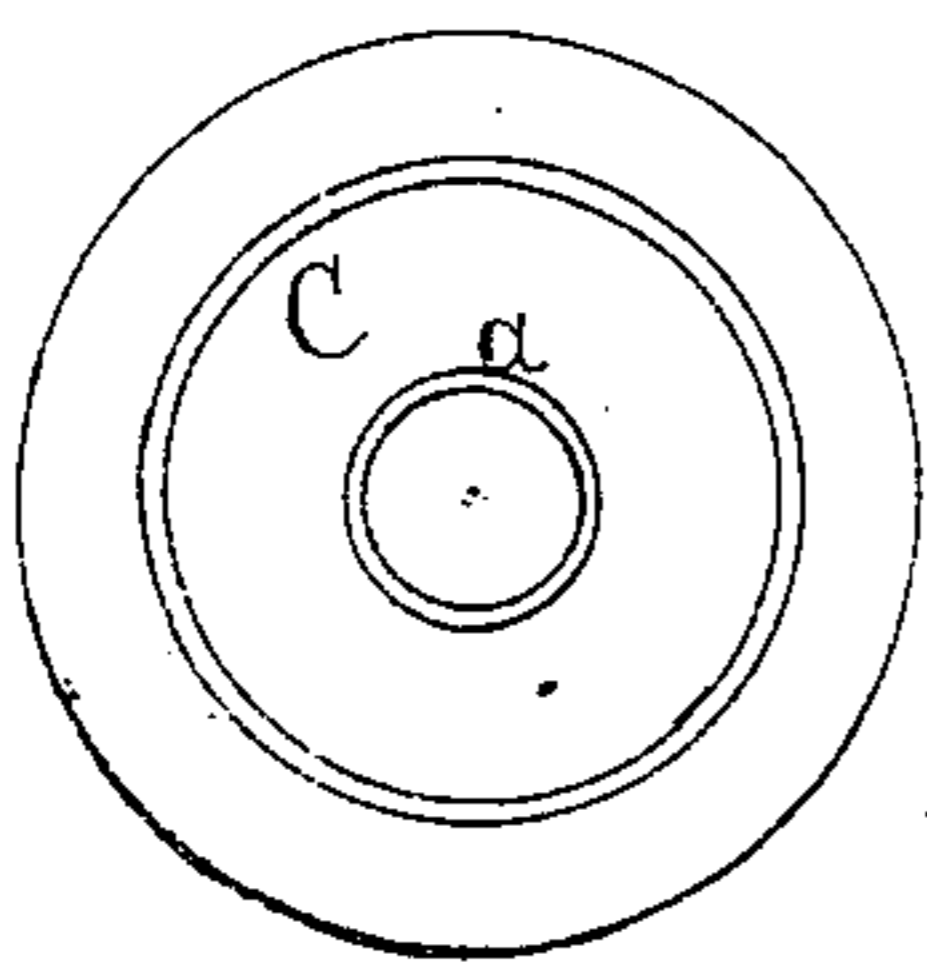
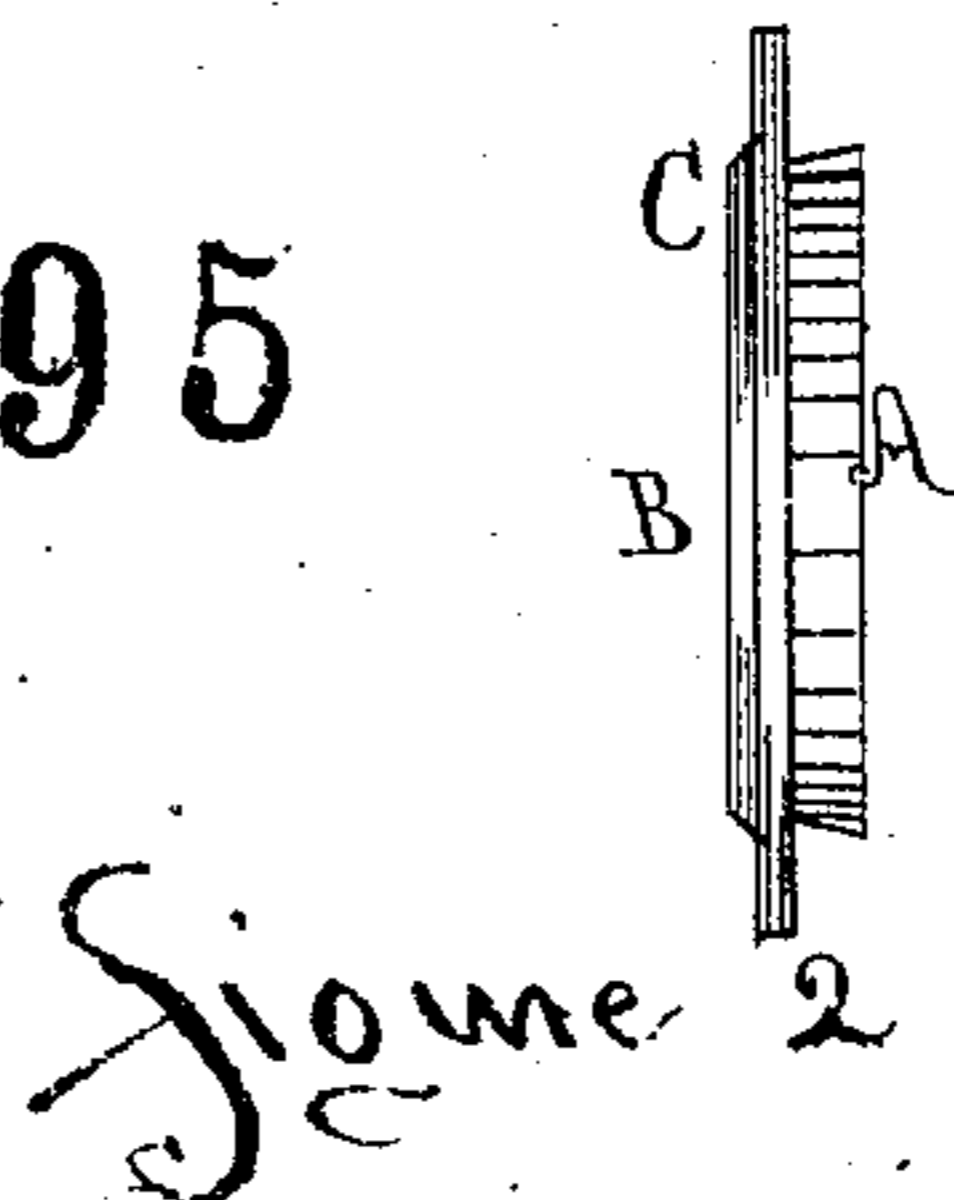
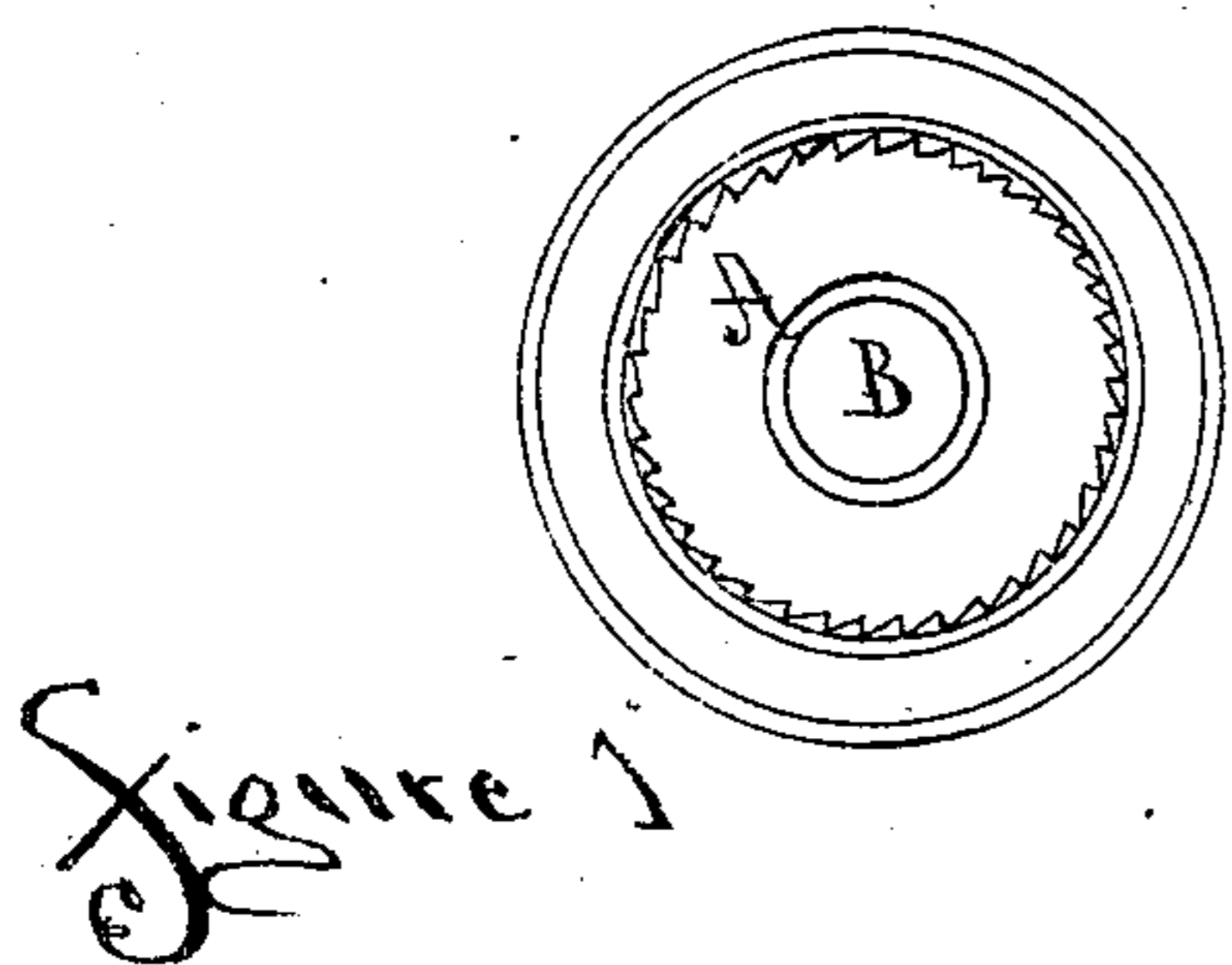


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## IMPROVEMENT IN SCISSORS-SHARPENERS.

*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, LUCIEN M. GILBERT, of Warren, Worcester county, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Improved "Scissors-Sharpener," and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and clear description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings and to the letters of reference marked thereon. In the drawings—

Figure 1 represents a plan view,

Figure 2 an edge view, and

Figure 3 a sectional view of my invention.

This invention consists of a device for sharpening scissors, and is intended to take a place in the work-baskets of those who use that tool frequently, and desire to keep it in good order.

In construction, this device is formed of a circular bevelled piece, A, having file-teeth on its circumference, and having a hole through the centre at B, by which it is connected with a circular guide-piece, C; this piece C, being formed as shown in detail in figs. 1 and 2, where it is seen that it is made with a greater diameter than the file A, and has a cylindrical shoulder, *a*, projecting from around its centre, which, in connecting the two pieces, A and C, is put through the hole B of the file, and is swaged out around the outer edge of the same, thus holding the two firmly together. The hole through the centre of the instrument, thus produced, allows the same to be held in a convenient manner between the thumb and fore-finger of the operator. In order to allow the file-piece A to be set in more, the piece C is made slightly dished, bringing its projecting portion, when put together, more nearly towards the centre of the circumferential face of the file. It is seen in the figures that the smaller side of the file is placed next to the guide-piece, thus forming a sort of gulley for the edge of the scissors to be passed in, in the operation of sharpening, which is more conveniently performed as follows: The sharpener is taken in the left hand, being held firmly by the fore-finger and thumb pressing upon the edges of the hole through the centre. The scissors are taken in the right hand, and the bevelled sides of the blades drawn across the cutting-surface of the file, while the guide-piece, guiding the flat side, prevents it from slipping off.

The great use of this invention is the convenience with which it does its work, and it may be carried in no matter how small a work-box or basket. Its expense is but trifling, while it saves a great deal of inconvenience in sending around to have scissors ground upon larger machines.

Now, having described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure, is—

A scissors-sharpener, consisting of the bevelled file A, combined and arranged with the circular guide-piece C, the parts being constructed and the whole arranged substantially as and for the purpose specified.

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