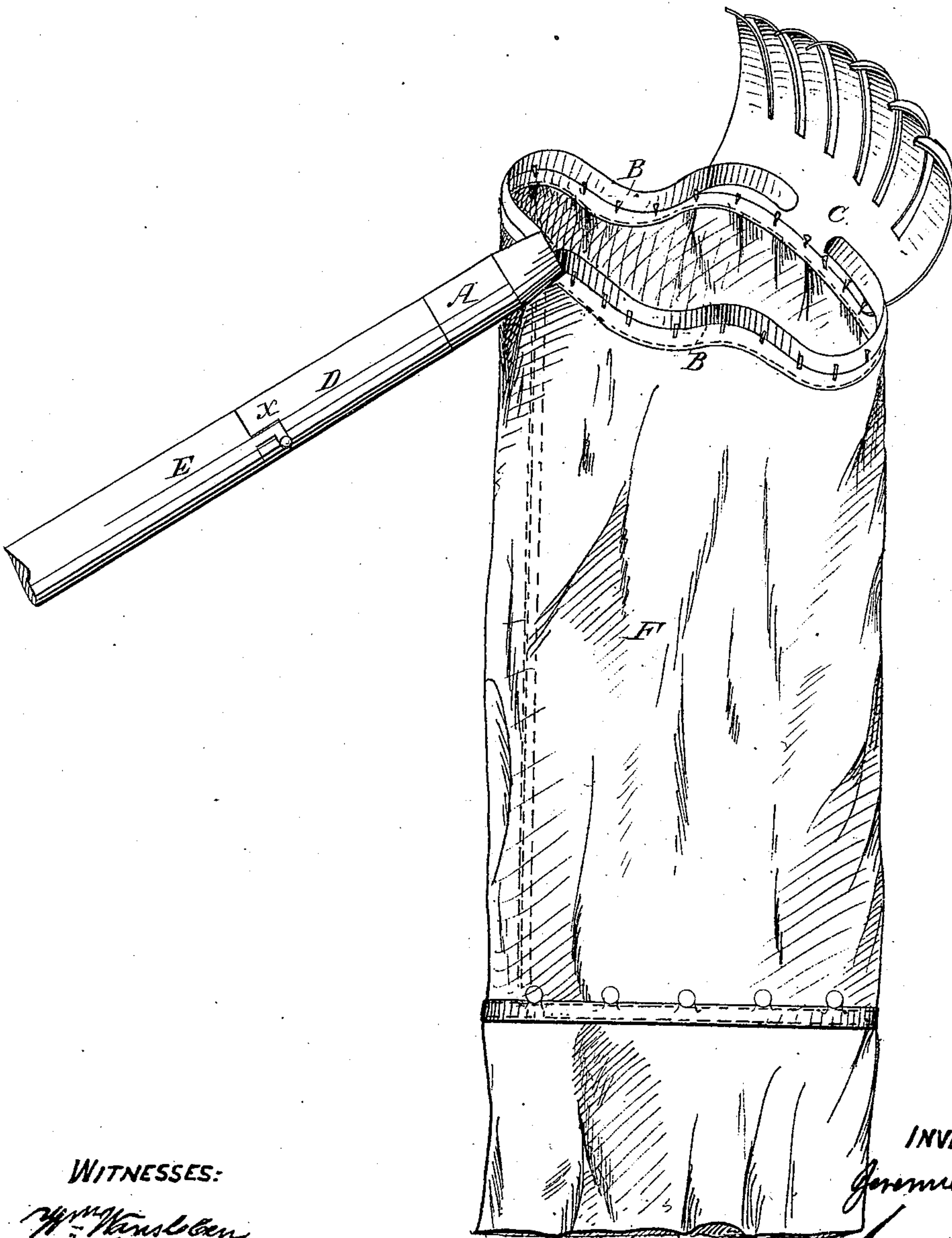


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IMPROVED FRUIT-PICKER.

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, JEREMIAH SCHROY, of Fortville, in the county of Hancock, and in the State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Fruit-Picker; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and the letters of reference marked thereon.

In the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, A represents a shank or handle, into the end of which are inserted and fastened the arms or hoop or band B B, as shown. The arms or band B are made of cast malleable metal or wrought metal, and in the form shown in the drawings. C represents a metallic rake or comb, made concave on the inside and convex on the outside, the fingers or teeth, with their head, adjusted and made in a hooking-manner, as represented in the drawings. Said comb may be cast of malleable metal in the same piece with the arms or band B, or made of sheet-metal, and then riveted or fastened to said band.

F represents a sack, of any desired length, fastened to the under side of the band B and the head of the comb C. Said sack may be lengthened or extended, as required, by buttoning another sack to the lower end thereof.

D represents a ferrule around the lower end of the

shank or handle A, and extending beyond the same, and is provided with crooked notches or slots X X on opposite sides of it.

E represents an adjustable handle, provided with lugs or ears which fit or catch in the notches X of the ferrule D. The upper end of the handle is made to just fit inside the end of the ferrule D. By this means a handle of any desired length may be adjusted to or with the picker.

It will readily be seen that the above-described device is admirably adapted to picking apples, pears, peaches, and cherries, and, in fact, almost any kind of fruit.

Having thus fully described my invention,

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

The curved metal plate C, connected to the outer ends of the irregular-shaped hoop B, and provided at its upper portion with a series of narrow slots for forming the comb-teeth, pointed as shown, and used in combination with the pole A and conveyer F, to operate substantially as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing, I have hereunto set my hand, this 2d day of March, 1868.

JEREMIAH SCHROY.

Witnesses:

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