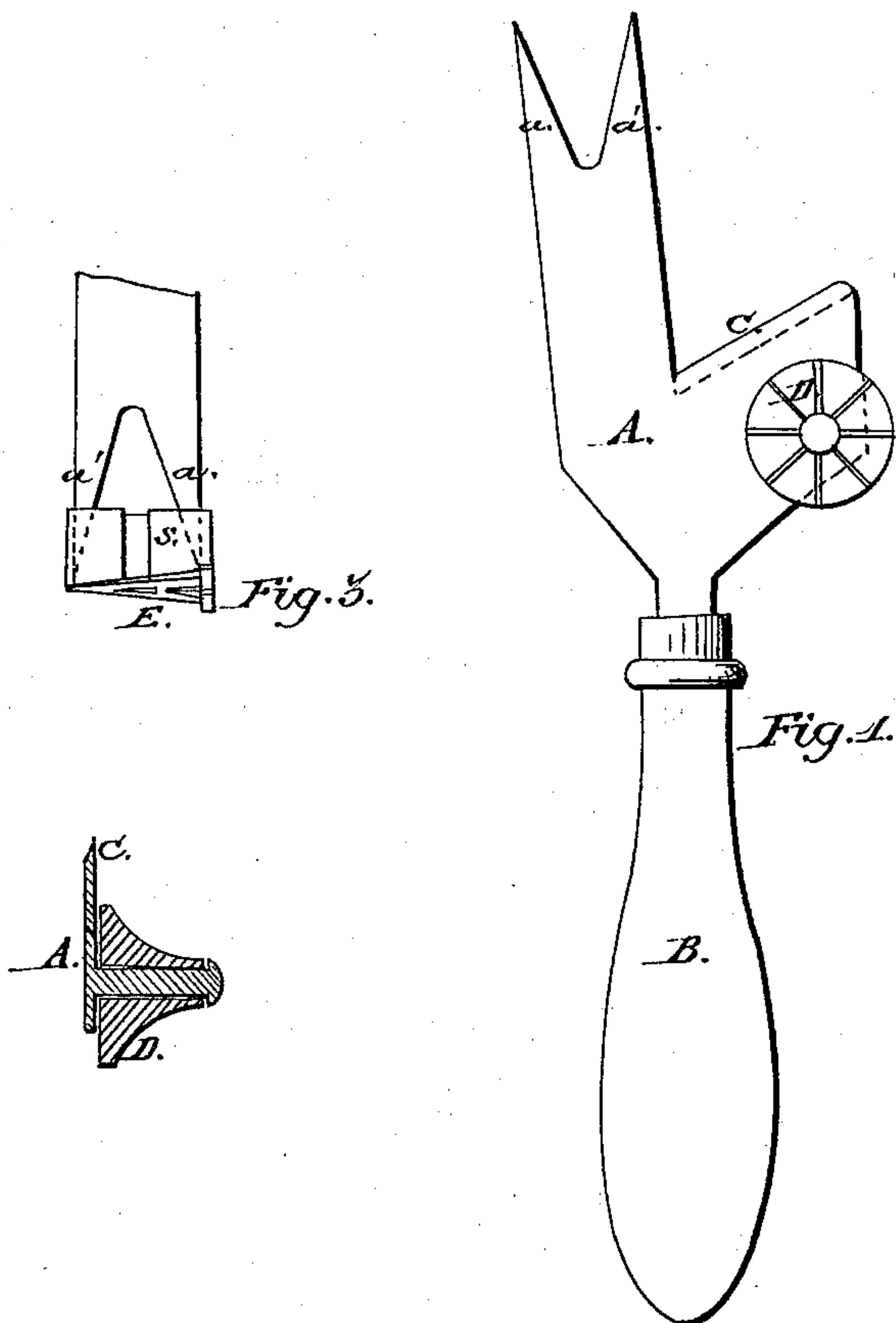


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IMPROVED PIE-CUTTER AND CRIMPER.

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, HENRY MATTHES, of Cambridge, in the county of Middlesex, and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful "Pie-Cutter and Crimper;" and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a view of the said article.

Figure 2 is a section, showing the crimper and cutter.

Figure 3 is a view of the prongs, with a stamp attached.

My invention is an improvement upon the pastry-cutter of C. A. Shaw, patented November 6, 1860, and consists in making the blade of a flat piece of steel, instead of wire, connecting the crimping-roller to the blade, and adding a projecting piece to the blade, to be used for puncturing the pastry, and also to hold a stamp, as more particularly described hereafter, which improved construction, as well as the additions, make a much more durable and useful article than that patented.

A blade of steel, A, is fitted, in a common manner, in a handle, B.

Upon the blade is formed the cutting-edge C, and near the cutting-edge is pivoted a crimping-roller, D.

At the extreme end of the blade are two prongs, *a a'*.

E is a stamp, or letter, formed with a sleeve, *s*, to fit over the prongs *a a'*.

When the paste is placed upon a pie, it laps over the edge of the dish; and to remove the superfluous parts and ornament the edges of the pie at the same time, I lay the crimping-roller D upon the paste, with the cutting-edge C outside of and bearing against the dish.

By moving the tool around the pie, it is trimmed and crimped by the same operation, while with the instruments in common use, it would be first trimmed, and then crimped with a separate tool.

The prongs *a a'* are used in place of a fork, to make vent-holes in the paste, thus adding to the utility of the instrument; and they also serve to hold the stamp E.

The stamp E is to mark the pie with a letter, or some distinctive mark, (as, for instance, A, for apple-pie, &c.,) as fancy or convenience may dictate.

Having thus described my invention,

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

As a new article of manufacture, the tool herein described, consisting of a cutting-blade, crimping-roller, and prongs for puncturing, when constructed substantially as described, and for the purpose specified.

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