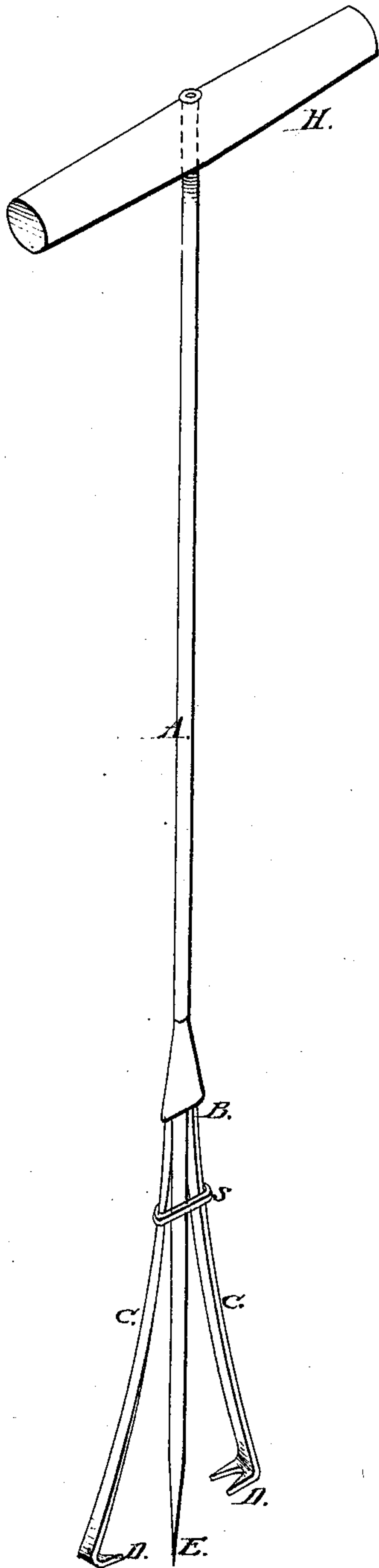


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IMPROVED CORK-EXTRACTOR.

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, GEORGE L. GIBSON, JR., of Concord, in the county of Cabarras, and State of North Carolina, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cork-Extractors; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification, and in which is represented a perspective view of my cork-extractor.

The nature of my invention consists in the employment of a straight wire, pointed at the lower extremity, and provided at said extremity with two, or more, spring-clamps, the object of which will be hereinafter fully described.

To enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains, to make and use the same, I will now describe its construction and operation.

In the accompanying drawing—

A represents a straight wire, pointed at the lower extremity, E, and provided with two or more clamp-springs, C C, of convenient length, united to wire A, at the point B, by welding, soldering, or otherwise.

The clamps C C, have claws D D, at the full ex-

tremity, for taking hold of the cork when the instrument is withdrawn from the bottle, the sides of the neck of the bottle closing the clamps, by pressure in withdrawing.

This instrument has a handle, of wood or other material, H, at right angles to the wire A.

By attaching a slide-ring, S, over the clamps, the same instrument can be used as a bottle-washer.

Having thus described my invention,

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

The spring-claws C C, in combination with the pointed rod A, when said claws are secured at such a distance above the point E, that their length will be permanently the same, or about the same, as that portion of the rod below the place at which the claws and rod are secured, all arranged to operate as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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