

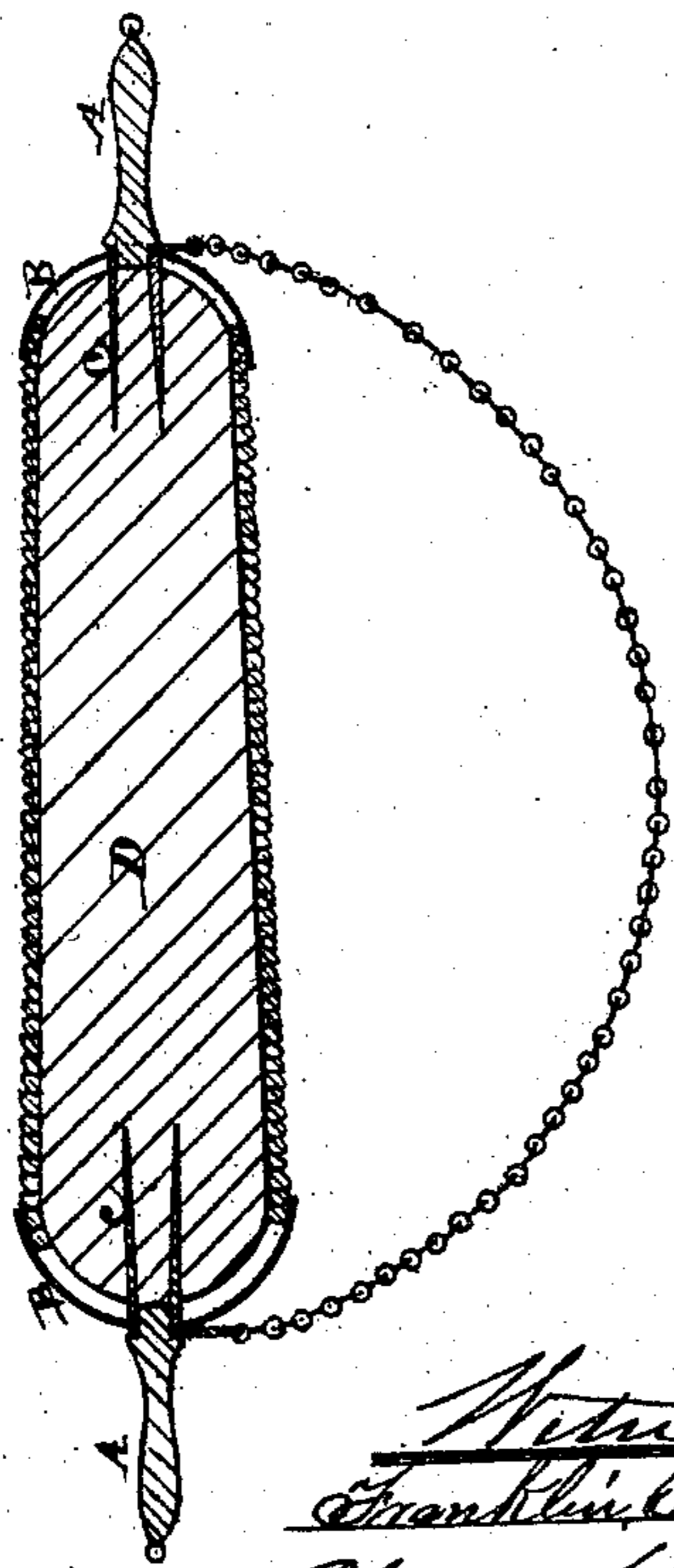
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*Finger Guard & Holding Corn.*

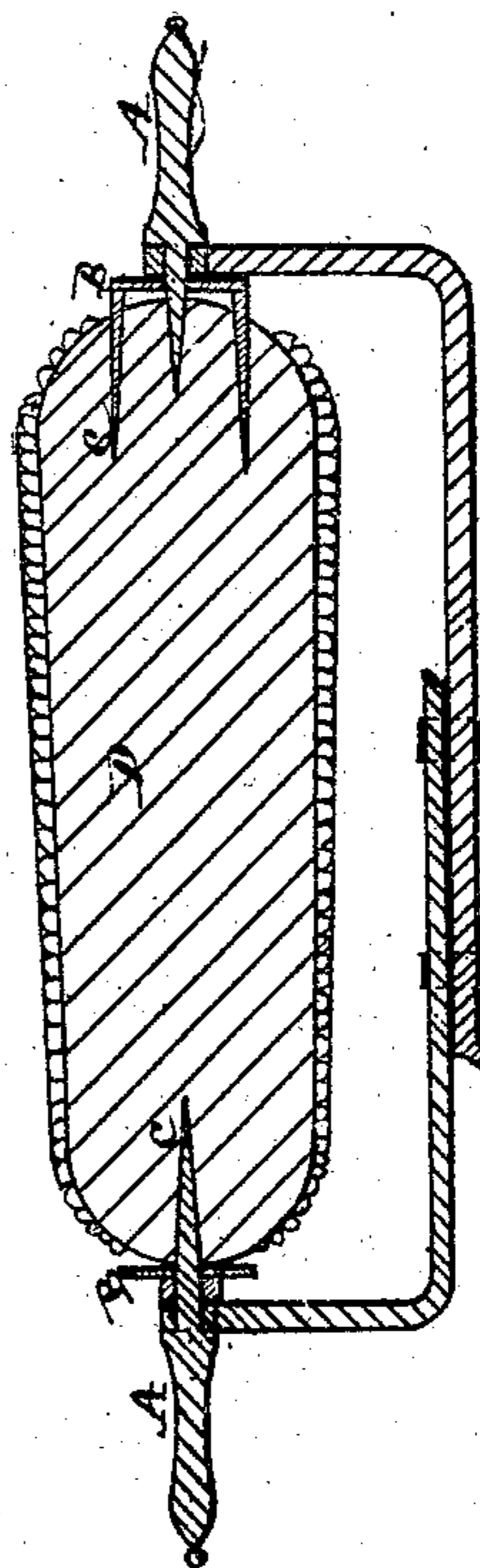
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN FINGER-GUARD FOR HOLDING HOT CORN.

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 HEBBARD, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful articles of manufacture, which I have designated as Finger-Guards for Holding Ears of Boiled Corn, while eating the same; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full description of the same.

The object of my invention is to promote the comfort of eating sweet corn from off the ear or cob; and

The nature of my invention consists in the new manufacture of finger-guard plates, with suitable prongs on their inner faces, for inserting into the pith of the opposite ends of the cob, so that the same may be firmly held between the guards, while being rotated, and denuded of the corn, during the process of mastication.

But, to describe my invention more particularly, I will refer to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, the same letters of reference, wherever they occur, referring to like parts.

Figure 1 is a representation of a set of the finger-guards, as linked together by a chain.

Figure 2 is a representation of a set, as joined together by two extension sliding bars or links.

Letter A represents the handle of the guard B, and C, the prongs on the inner faces, for inserting into the pith of the opposite ends of the cob D.

As two finger-guards are necessary to hold the ear

of corn, or form what is called a set, it is proposed to link them together by a chain, D, as shown in fig. 1, to prevent either of them getting lost; or, by joining them together by two long extension or sliding links or bars, E, as shown in fig. 2, for the same purpose.

It will be obvious that neither of these devices for preventing the separation of the set of finger-guards, is material to the operation or utility of my new manufacture, and, therefore, I do not deem it material as to how the finger-guards are linked together to form the set, as my invention is not for the method of linking or connecting them together, but for the new manufacture of the finger-guards, irrespective of any particular way they are joined together to form sets.

It will be obvious that the finger-guards may be made of any kinds of metal, or other material, suitable for such purposes.

Having now described my new article of manufacture, I will proceed to set forth what is claimed, and desired to be secured by Letters Patent of the United States.

I claim, as my invention, the shield or guards B, with the handle A and points C, constructed substantially as shown and described, for the purpose of holding ears of corn.

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