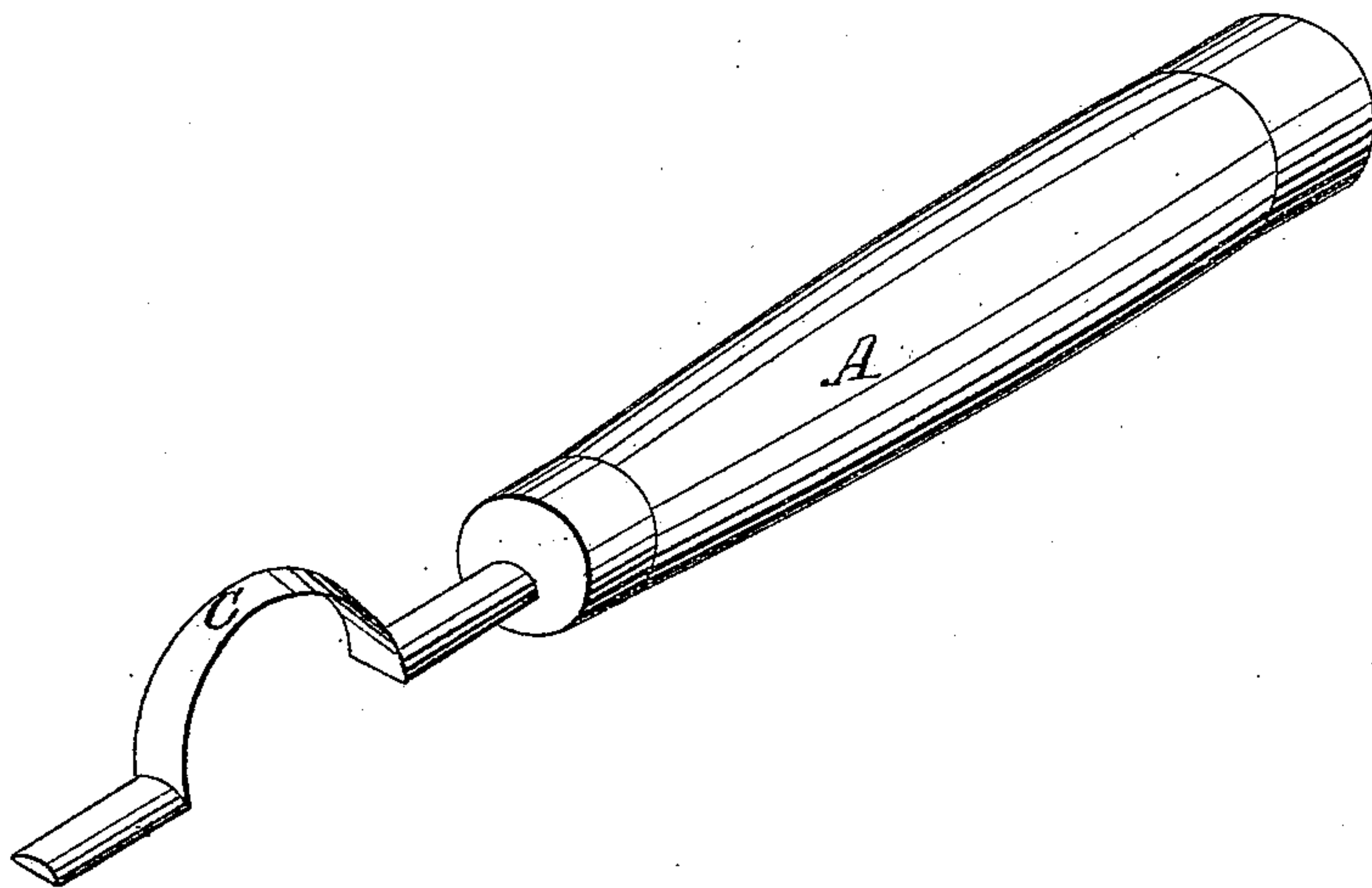


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## KNIFE FOR SEEDING STONE-FRUIT.

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, SIDNEY S. MARQUES, of Mason, in the county of Effingham, and in the State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Fruit-Knife for Seeding Stone-Fruit; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction of a knife for seeding stone-fruit, and in the arrangement of the devices hereafter fully described.

The accompanying drawing represents a perspective of my invention.

Letter A represents a handle, of ordinary construction, in the end of which is secured the knife C. This knife consists of a semicircular or flat piece of metal, straight at each end, and curved in the middle sufficiently to slip easily around the stones of such fruits as peaches, and is sharpened upon both edges.

The stoning of clingstone-peaches has always been a source of great trouble, especially when they have to be cut for drying, as, with the ordinary knives, from three to four cuts are required to each peach. By having this curve in the blade, they can be stoned in two cuts, with a much smaller loss of the fruit, as well as of time.

Having thus described my invention,

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

The blade C, curved in the middle, and sharpened on each edge, and attached to a handle, substantially as and for the purposes herein set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing, I have hereunto set my hand, this 1st day of June, 1869.

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