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Hand Corn Huskers

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Fig. 1

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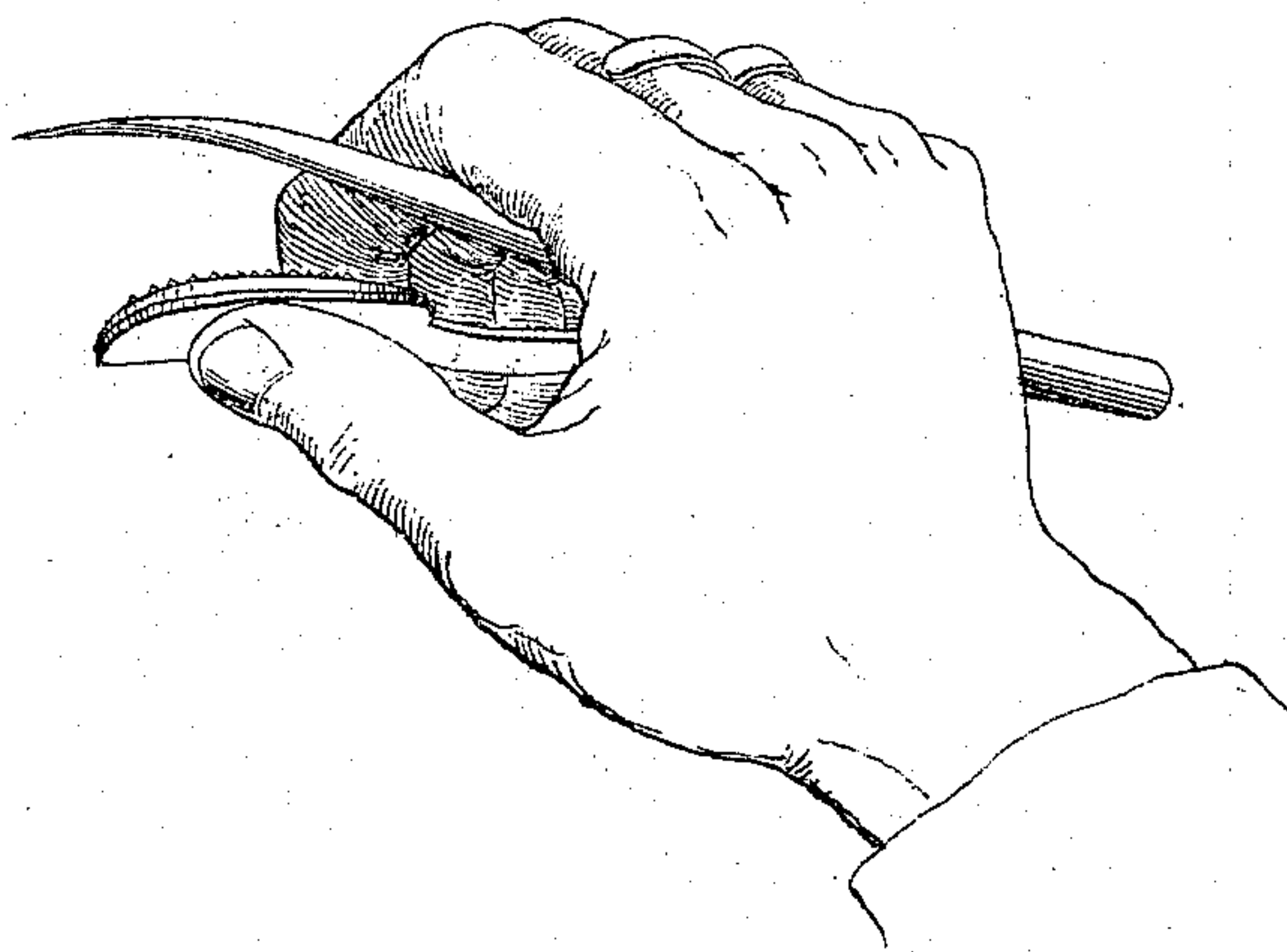
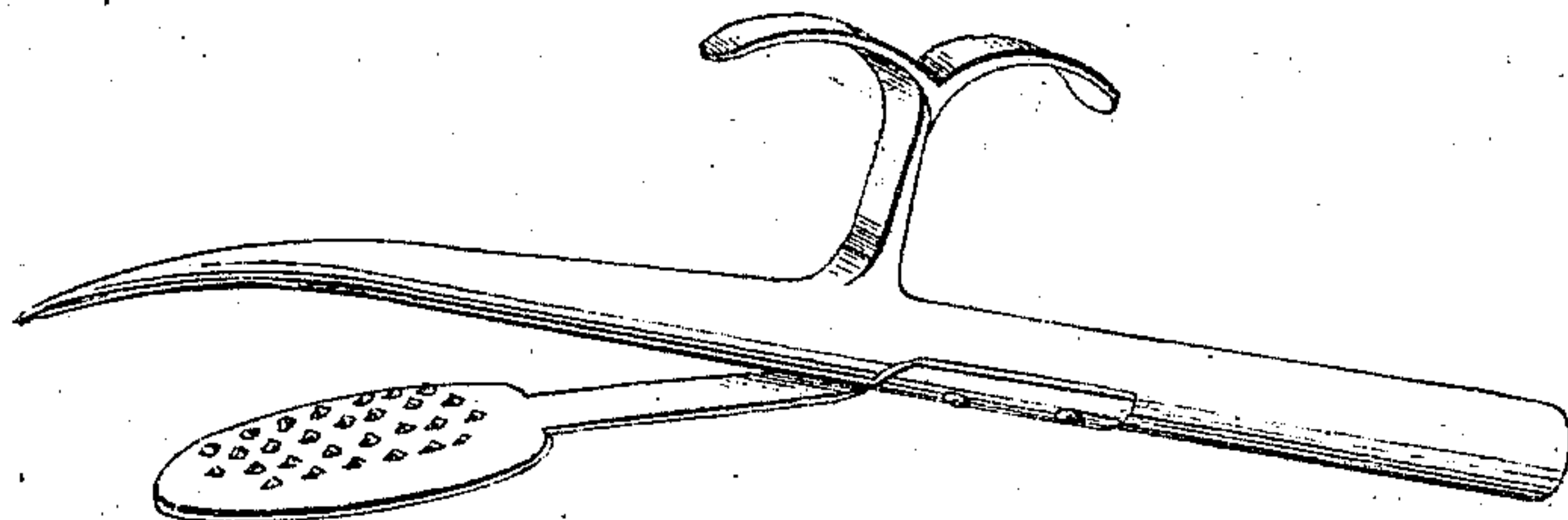


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IMPROVEMENT IN HAND CORN-HUSKERS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 117,670, dated August 1, 1871.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES MELSOM O'HARA, of Cincinnati, in the county of Hamilton and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Hand Corn-Huskers, of which the following is a specification:

This is an improvement in the ordinary husking-pin, and is designed to protect the thumb from the soreness consequent upon the continued friction of the rough husk, and facilitate the operation by providing against slip, which often occurs when the naked thumb is used or when the thumb has become sore and unable to grasp the husk sufficiently tight without great pain; and consists of the roughened spring thumb-plate attached to the slightly-curved pin.

A is the husking-pin, slightly curved at the point to insure closer contact with the thumb-plate, which is curved to fit the ball of the thumb.

B is the spring thumb-plate or guard, which is roughened on the inner surface to afford a firmer hold on the husk while stripping down.

The operation is as follows: The curved point of the pin A is inserted in the husk near the top, the roughened spring thumb-plate B is closed upon it, and, thus securely clasped, the husk is easily and quickly stripped down.

I claim—

The improved husking-pin herein described and shown, consisting of the handle A, point *b*, finger-loops C, and spring thumb-guard D, when said parts are constructed and arranged substantially as and for the purpose specified.

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