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PAINT-BRUSH.

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Fig. 1.

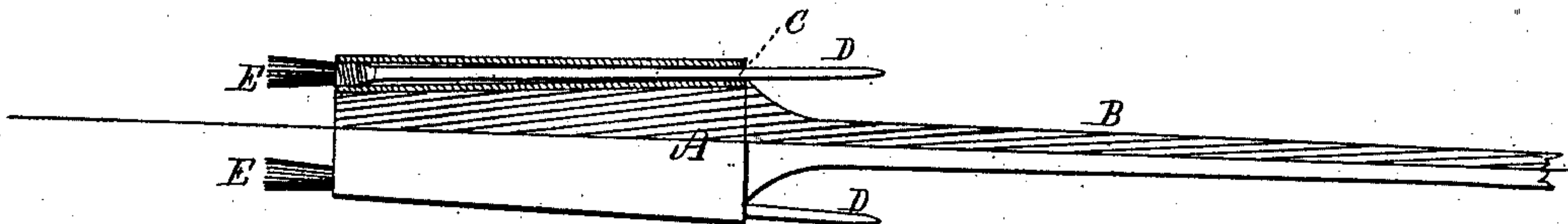
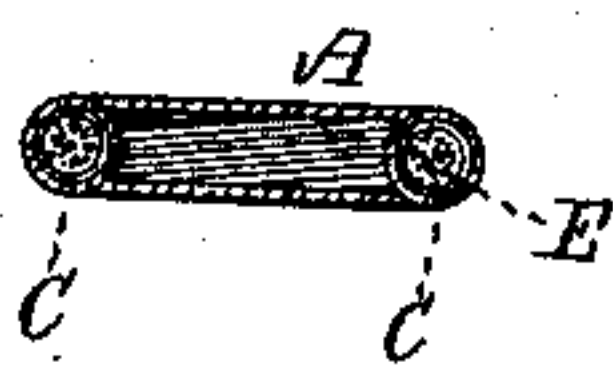


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN PAINT-BRUSHES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE P. HUNT, of Boston, Suffolk county, Massachusetts, have invented an Improvement in Paint-Brushes, of which the following is a specification:

This invention consists in the combination of two or more brushes with one handle, whereby I am enabled to paint over a much greater surface in a given time and to much more advantage than with an ordinary brush, and also to vary the capacity of the brush should circumstances require.

The drawings accompanying this specification represent in Figure 1 a sectional elevation, and in Fig. 2 a cross-section of a compound or double paint-brush embodying my invention.

In these drawings, A denotes the stock or head of the brush, and B the handle of the same, the former being provided on each side with a tubular socket, C, and the latter being of such length as to permit the workman to perform the operation of painting a roof, floor, or other large flat surface in a standing posture. Within each socket C I insert the handle D of a paint-brush, E, the two serving to retain the brush securely in place.

When a comparatively small surface is to be painted over, or a corner to be got into, one brush may be removed and the other used alone; but when a large surface is to be gone over the two brushes are to be applied to the handle.

As the workman stands in an erect, or nearly erect, position he is enabled to exert his

strength to the best advantage without becoming fatigued, and he is also enabled to rub in the paint much more effectually than is possible with an ordinary short-handled single paint-brush. A workman is also enabled to paint over in a given time a very much greater surface with my combination-brush than with an ordinary paint-brush; in fact he can accomplish six times the amount of labor in the same time than by the ordinary method of painting, and I am daily demonstrating this fact in my business.

As the workman is not compelled to stoop or kneel when at work, he accomplishes his day's labor with infinitely less fatigue than heretofore.

I claim as my invention and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States the following:

1. The combination of handle B and stock A, provided with two or more tubular sockets, C, adapted each for the insertion of a removable smaller-handled paint-brush of ordinary or suitable construction, substantially as shown and described.

2. The handle B and stock A, provided with two or more tubular sockets, as described, in combination with paint-brushes fitting said tubular sockets, and removable therefrom at pleasure, as shown and set forth.

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