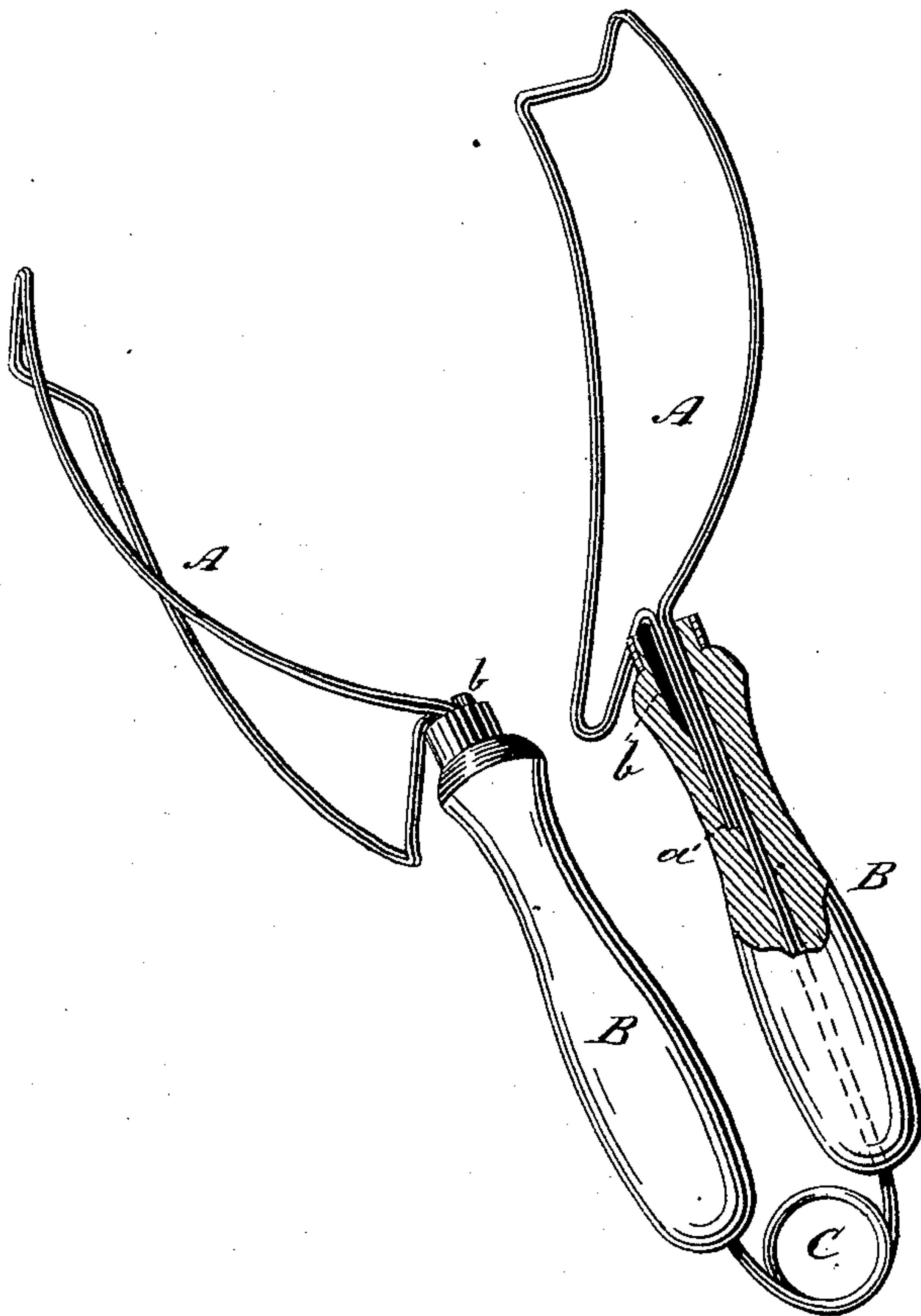


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IMPROVEMENT IN PLATE-LIFTERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM BEATTIE, of Portage, in the county of Columbia and State of Wisconsin, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Plate-Lifters; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, which forms a part of this specification, and which represents a perspective, partly sectional, view of my invention.

This invention relates to that class of household utensils which are used for grasping and lifting hot plates, dishes, &c., from the oven or stove; and it consists of a contrivance formed of wire, and provided with wooden handles, substantially as I shall now proceed more fully to describe.

In the drawings, A A are two wings or clasps, formed of one piece of wire bent into suitable shape, so as to readily grasp a pile of plates or dishes. Upon this wire, before bending it, are placed two wooden handles, B B, between which the wire is coiled, so as to form a spring, C. The ends *a* of the wire are accommodated in the front ends of the

handles, where they are secured in place by wedges *b b*, thus leaving no joint upon the exposed portion of the plate-lifter.

The implement being adjusted with the wings A A grasping a pile of plates or dishes, it may readily be grasped by the handles B B, and the plates thus lifted out of the oven and deposited upon the table. The handles B B give a firm and safe hold for the hand, and there being no exposed joints of the wire, it is not liable to give way under the weight of the plates.

Having thus described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States—

As an article of manufacture, a plate or dish lifter formed of wire, and provided with handles B B, into which the ends of the wire are inserted, substantially as described, for the purpose herein shown and specified.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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