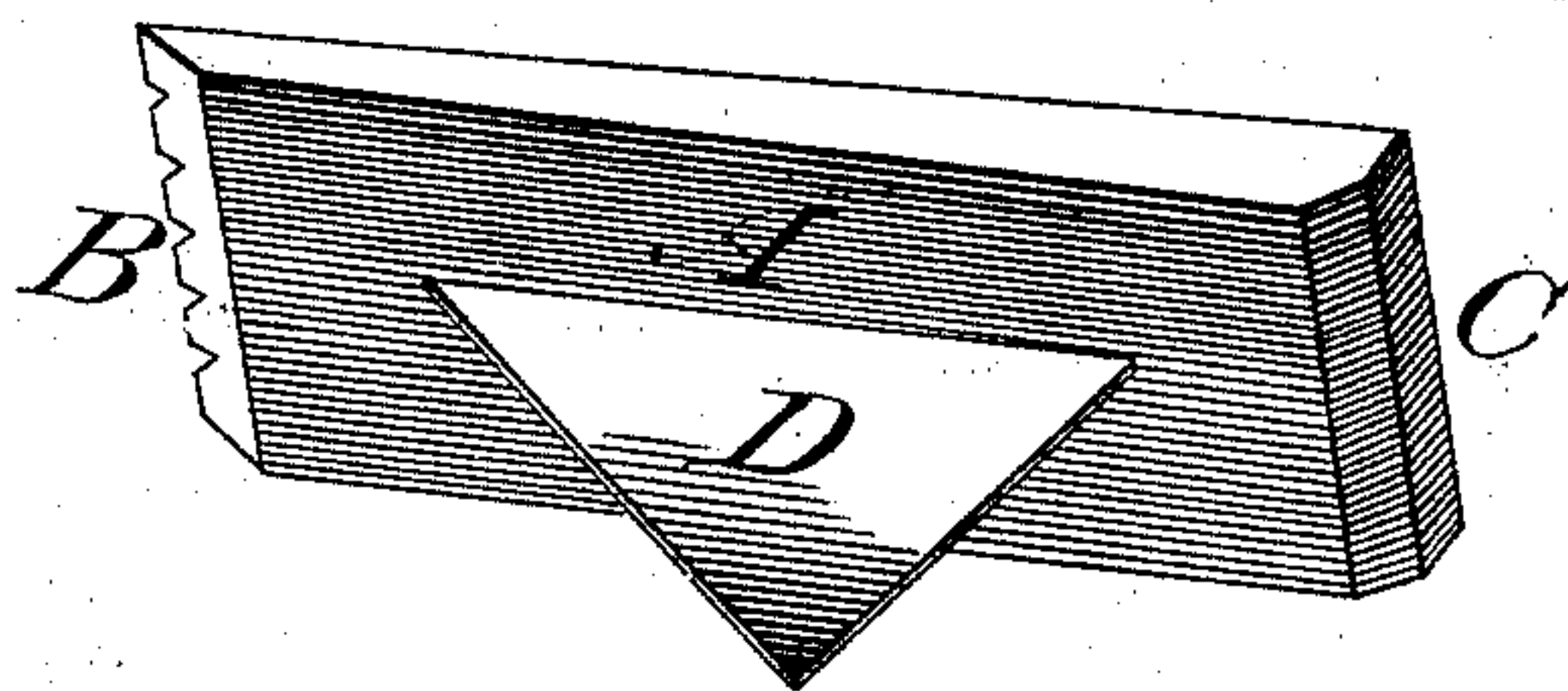
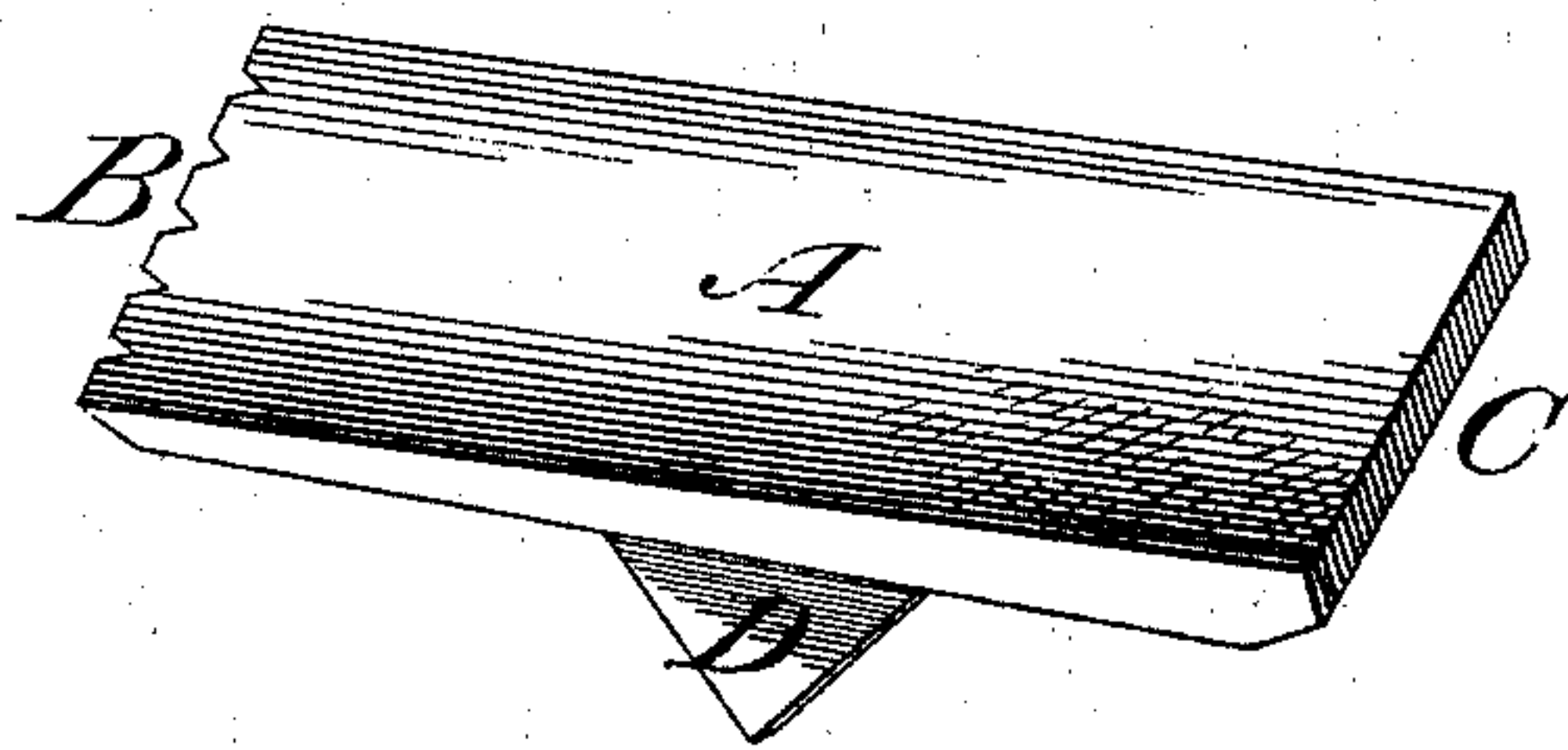


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Bench-Knife.

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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*

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## IMPROVEMENT IN BENCH-KNIVES.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, GEORGE S. DERR, of the city of New Orleans, parish of Orleans, and State of Louisiana, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Bench-Knives, of which the following is a specification.

The bench-knife is used for the purpose of holding wood material firmly upon the work-bench while it is being dressed.

Heretofore a knife has been in use that has been broken from the blade of a case-knife, or constructed in such a manner as to endanger the material by splitting it, defacing the planes, or nicking the plane-bits.

The object of my invention is to provide a knife that does not split the material or injure the tools while working it.

The invention consists of an oblong steel or case-hardened iron plate, toothed and beveled at the front end, and half square and half beveled at the butt, from the under surface of which projects a triangular knife, to be constructed of different sizes, so that it can be applied to any wood material.

In the accompanying drawings, in which similar letters indicate like parts, Figure 1 shows the top, and Fig. 2 the under, surface of the bench-knife.

Letter A is the oblong plate, having the front end, B, toothed and beveled, so that it can be driven slightly into the material, and the butt C half square and half beveled, so that it can be struck with the face of or forced up from the work-bench with the claw of a hammer. D is the triangular knife projecting from the under surface of the oblong plate A, and is driven into the work-bench when the bench-knife is in use.

What I claim is—

The bench-knife described, consisting of the upper portion, A, made sharp, and having teeth at its front end, and having the sharpened triangular blade D projecting at right angles therefrom, as shown and described.

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