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Animal Poke.

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Fig. 1.

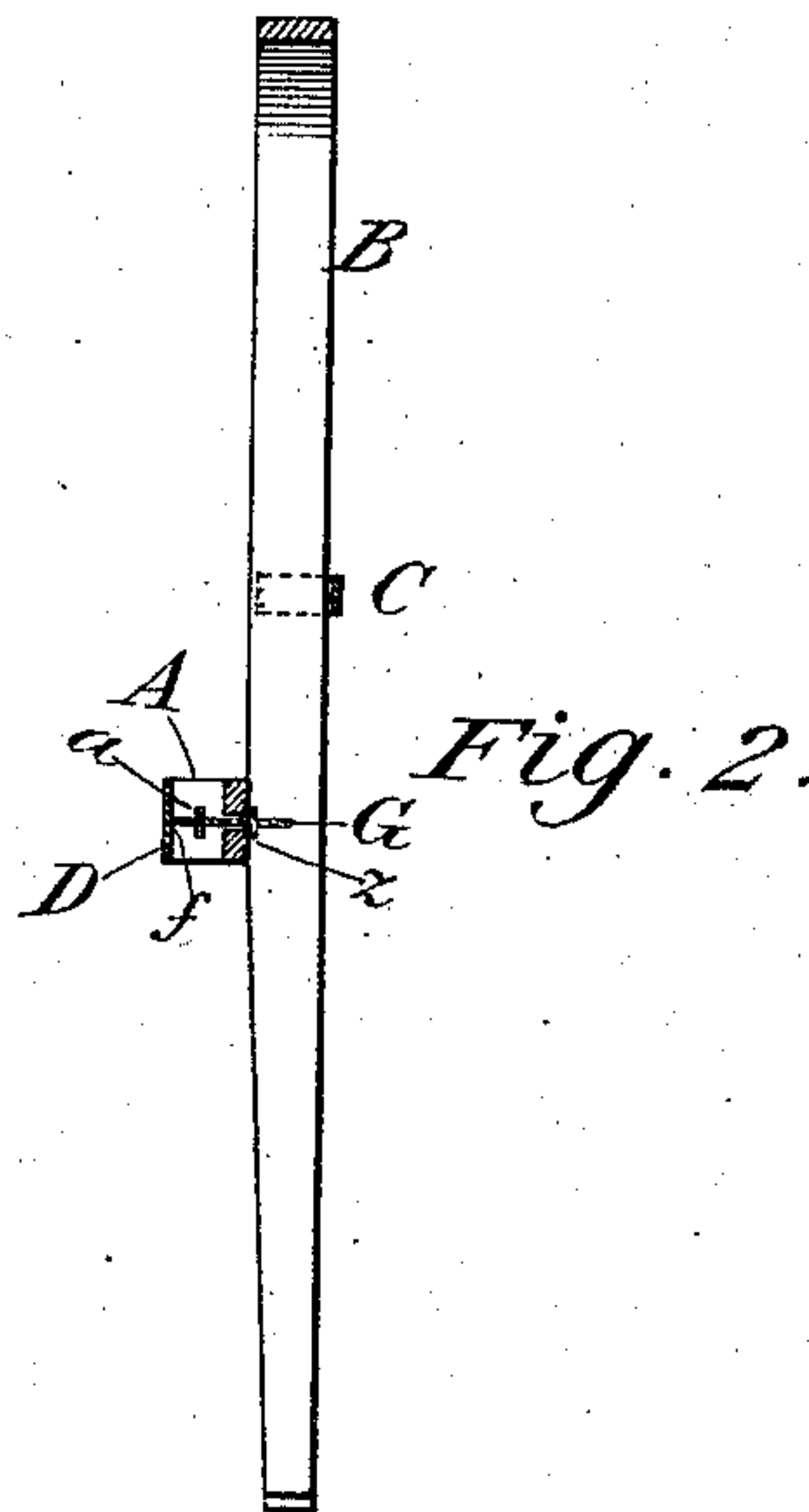
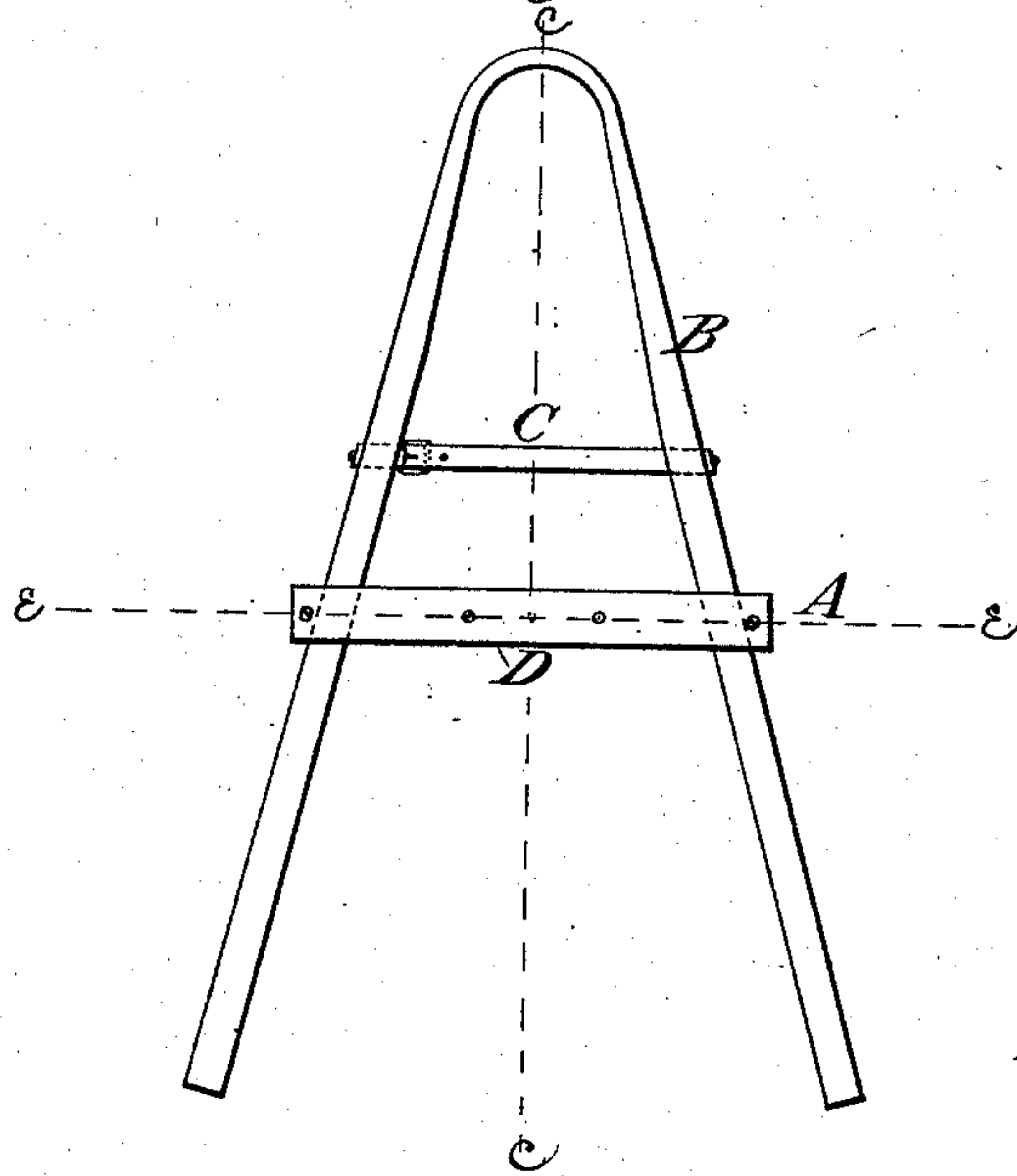
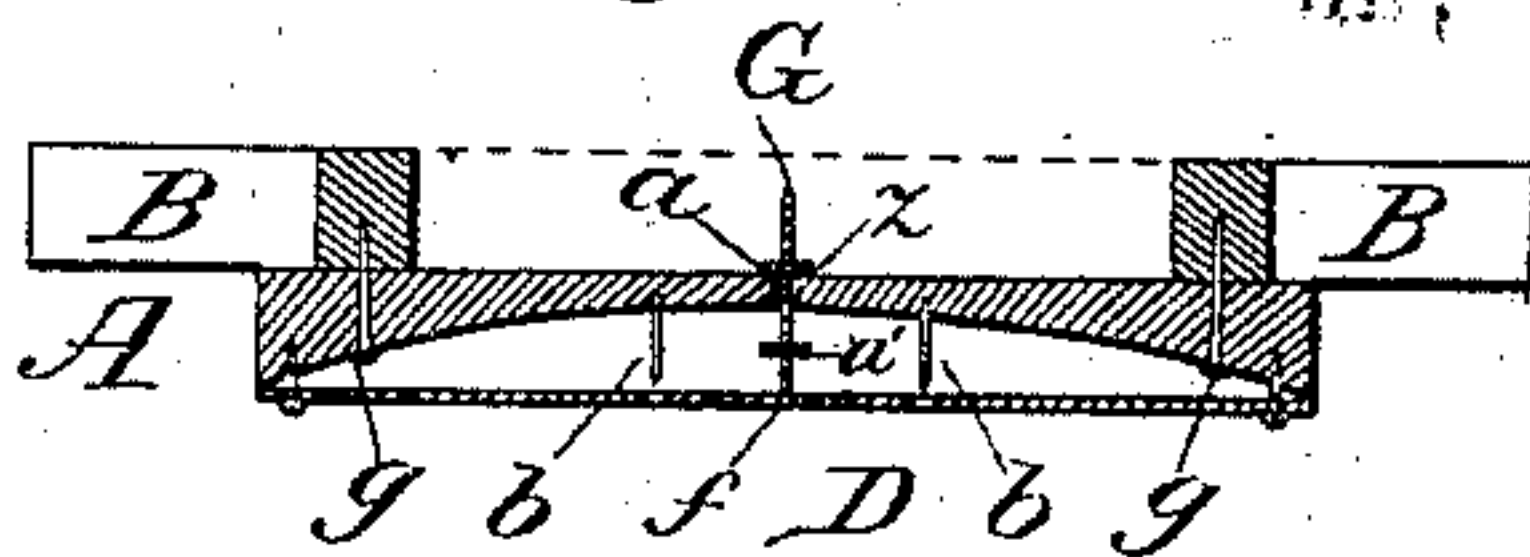


Fig. 3.



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## ANIMAL-POKE.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, A. LARROWE and ERWIN LARROWE, of Cohocton, in the county of Steuben and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Animal-Pokes; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form part of this specification.

Figure 1 represents a front view of our improved poke. Fig. 2 is a vertical section of the same on the line *c c*, Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a transverse section of the same on the line *ee*, Fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

This invention relates to a new animal-poke, which is provided with a flat perforated spring-shield concealing the sharp points of the pins *b b*, together with an adjuster, for the purpose of controlling the action of the spring-shield.

The poke consists of a yoke or bow, B, cross-bar A, secured to the edge of the yoke by bolts *g g*, a flat perforated spring-shield, D, and throat-latch C. From the cross-bar A project two or more sharp-pointed pins, *b b*, through it. Also, the adjuster G passes at Z. The adjuster, which is rigidly secured to the shield at *f*, is provided with two nuts, *a a'*, for the purpose of regulating, adjusting, and controlling the action of the shield, for by tightening the nut *a* the spring-shield will be drawn near the points of the pins *b b*, so that a very little pressure will expose their points, and by turning the nut *a'* down toward the bar A the amount of exposure of the points can be so

regulated that they will project but very little, or none at all, if desired. This is considered a very important feature, for by it the shield can be so controlled that the sharp-pointed pins cannot be forced their full length into the animal's neck, thereby causing serious injury to it, as is the case with pokes that are provided with sharp points and do not have this safety attachment. The spring-shield is perforated for the passage of the pins, and is secured to the bar A by screws *d d* at either end. The holes through which the screws pass are elongated to allow the free operation of the spring-shield.

The throat-latch is provided with a buckle, so that it can be adjusted to the necks of different-sized animals.

Having thus described our invention, what we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In an animal-poke, the cross-bar A, the bow B, and the flat perforated spring-shield D, in combination with the adjuster G and pointed pins *b b*, substantially as set forth.

2. An animal-poke consisting of the bow B, throat-latch C, cross-bar A, flat perforated spring-shield D, pointed pins *b b*, and adjuster G, all constructed and arranged to operate as and for the purposes set forth.

In testimony that we claim the foregoing as our own we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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