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CORN HUSKING IMPLEMENT.

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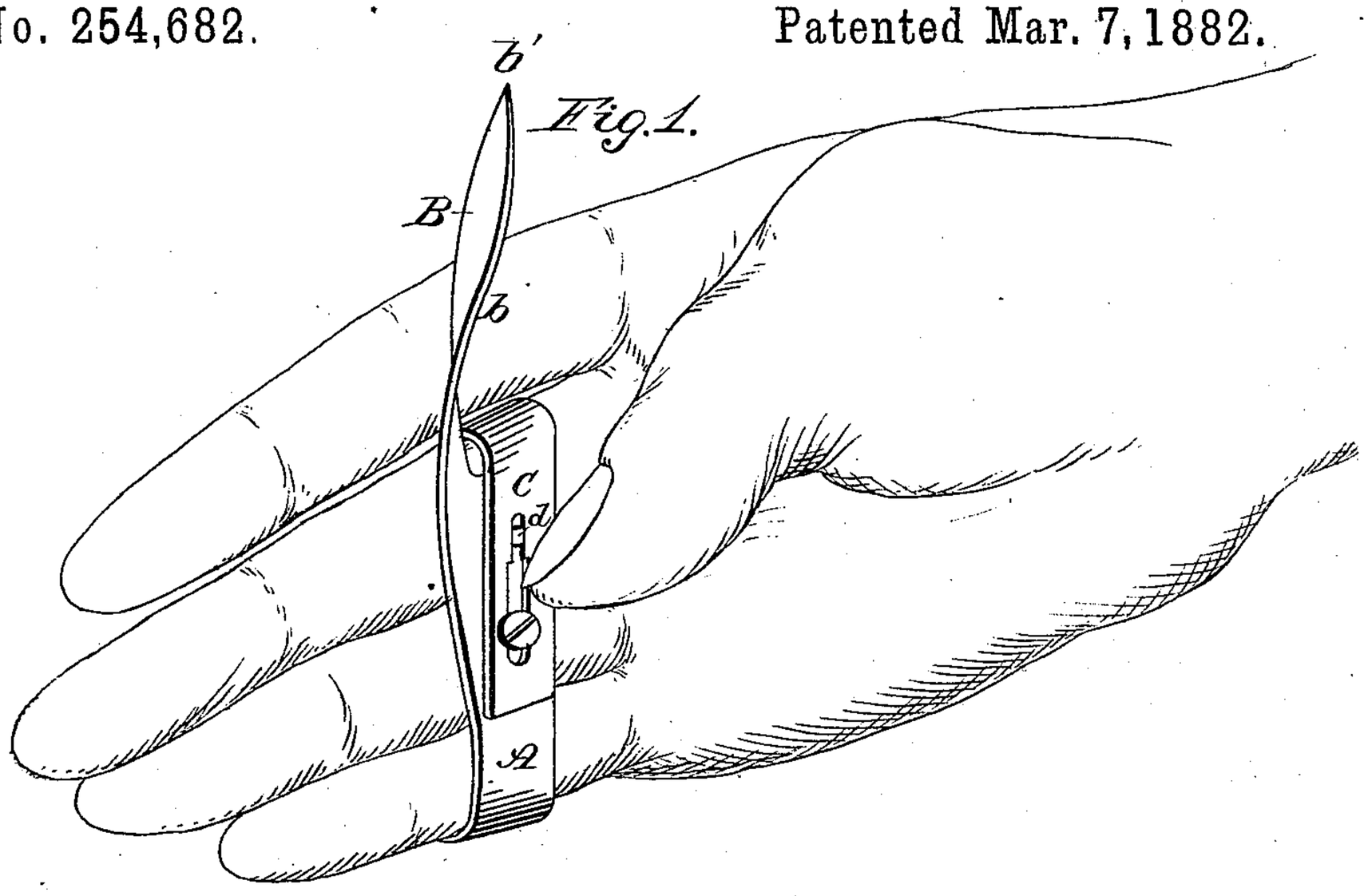
Fig. 1.



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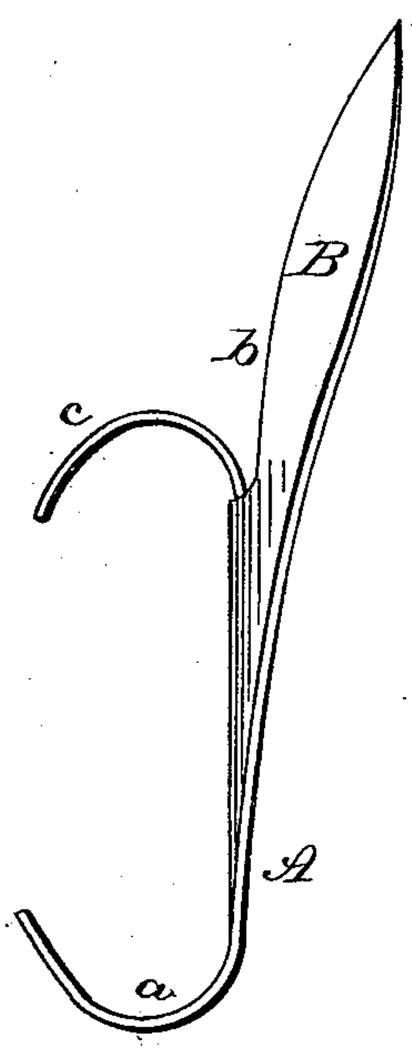

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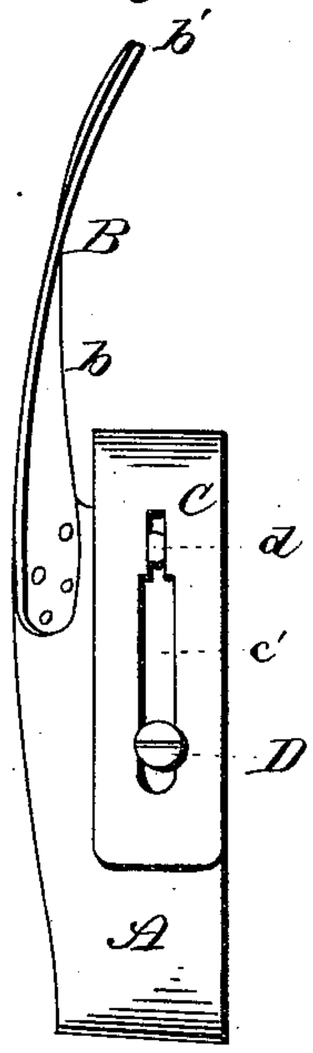

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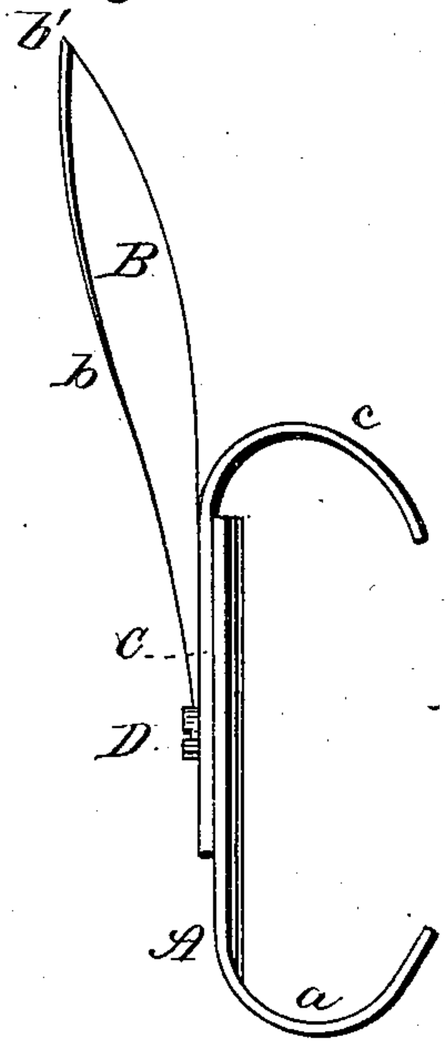

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JACOB NIXON, of Winfield, in the county of Cowley and State of Kansas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Corn-Husking Implements; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to corn-husking implements, the object being to provide an implement which shall be simple and inexpensive in manufacture and of such a construction that it will present a cutting-edge lengthwise to the ear to be husked.

The invention consists in the features of construction hereinafter described, and pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improvement in position in the hand of the husker. Fig. 2 is a side view of the same. Fig. 3 is an elevation from the side opposite to that shown in Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a modification.

A represents the shank of the device, bent outwardly at its lower end to form a hook, *a*.

B represents the husking-pin, projecting from one side of the upper end of the shank A. This pin is bent in slightly spiral form, so that its cutting-edge *b* is at about a right angle to the plane of the shank A, and the point *b'* is turned slightly outward from the palm of the hand of the user.

C represents a sliding or adjustable strip, having its upper end bent downwardly to form a hook, *c*, while its opposite end is provided with a slot, *c'*, through which project a screw, D, and a guiding-stud, *d*.

The implement as thus constructed is adapted to be held on the inner side of the fingers, the hook *a* passing under the fourth finger and the hook *c* extending over the second finger of the hand of the user, as shown in Fig. 1 of the drawings.

It will be observed that the cutting-edge *b* of the husking-pin is by its spiral form adapted to cut the husk lengthwise and in the direction of its fiber, and consequently the husk may be easily cut, as the natural obstruction incident to a cross-grain cut is avoided.

A further advantage of the peculiar curvature of the pin is found in the fact that its point *b'* is bent slightly outward, so as not to interfere with or catch upon the ear after the latter is husked; but the ear may be quickly thrown aside. The construction shown also leaves the forefinger of the husker's hand free to grasp and manipulate the ear.

By means of the adjustable strip C the device may be fitted to hands of different sizes and the hooks serve to securely hold the device in place upon the fingers of the user.

As illustrated in Fig. 4, the spiral pin may be made in a separate piece, if desired, and riveted to the shank, so that in case of breakage of the pin or undue wear of the same it may be removed and replaced by a new one.

I claim—

1. In a corn-husking implement, a shank bent to form a hook for its attachment to the hand, and provided with a spirally-twisted husking-pin so arranged in relation to the shank that its cutting-edge will be presented in a line with the grain of the husk, in combination with an auxiliary hook adapted to receive the second finger of the hand, substantially as set forth.

2. In a corn-husking implement, a shank bent to form a hook, and provided with a spirally-twisted husking-pin whose point is bent outwardly, in combination with an adjustable hook secured to said shank, substantially as set forth.

3. In a corn-husking implement, the combination, with the shank A, provided with the spirally-twisted pin B, of the slotted and hooked strip C, the screw D, and guiding-stud *d*, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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