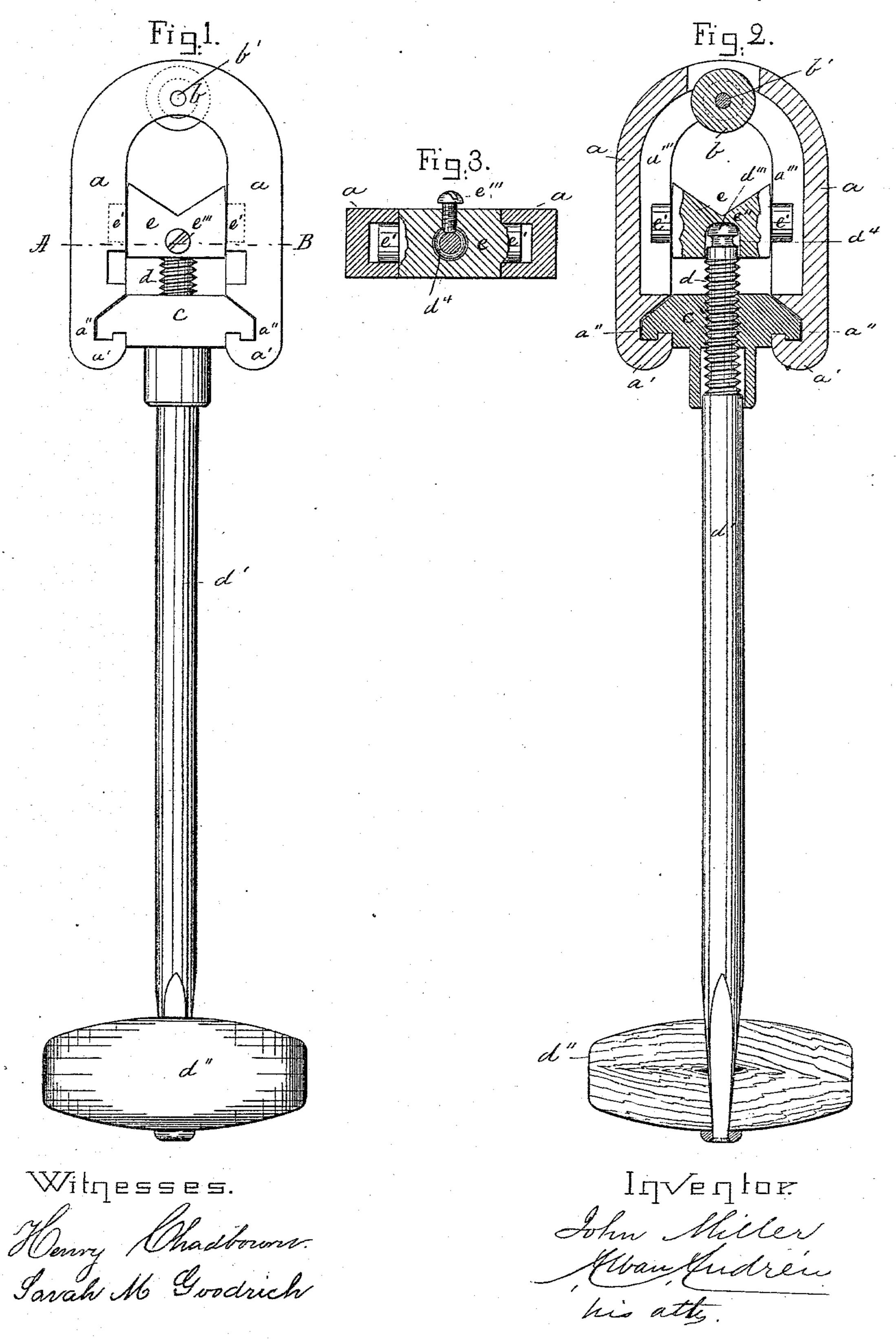
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## PIPE-CUTTER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, John Miller, a citizen of the United States, residing at Cambridgeport, in the county of Middlesex and State of 5 Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pipe-Cutters; and I do hereby declare that the same are fully described in the following specification and illustrated in the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to improvements in LO pipe-cutters, and it is carried out as follows, reference being had to the accompanying draw-

ings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a front elevation of the 15 invention, and Fig. 2 represents a longitudinal section. Fig. 3 represents a cross-section on the line A B shown in Fig. 1.

Similar letters refer to similar parts wherever they occur on the different parts of the

20 drawings.

a is the vise, having loosely journaled to it at its upper curved portion the cutter-wheel b, that is free to rotate on the pin b', as shown. The lower ends, a'a', of the vise a are provided 25 with recesses a'' a'' for the reception of the detachable nut c, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

d is the adjustable pressure-screw, working within the nut c, which screw is extended outward as a rod or lever, d', provided in its ex-30 treme end with a cross-bar or handle, d'', by means of which the pressure-screw is operated. On the interior of the vise a is a groove, a''', that serves as a guide for the cylindrical projections e' e' of the adjustable jaw e, as shown 35 in Figs. 2 and 3. The pipes to be cut being often irregular on their exterior surfaces and not perfectly cylindrical, it is essential that the adjustable jaw e should be allowed to freely adjust itself to such irregularities to prevent 40 the cutter-wheel b from cutting a spiral groove on the outside of the pipe and to insure a true and continuous circular cut, and it is for this

purpose that I make the side projections, e'e', cylindrical, so that the jaw e may be allowed to oscillate on the axis of said cylindrical pro- 45 jections, so as to automatically adjust itself to the irregularity of the surface of the pipe that is being cut. To enable the said jaw e to automatically adjust itself to the surface of the pipe operated upon, it is also essential that the 50 upper end of the screw d should be universally jointed to the jaw e, and therefore I make on the under side of it a concave recess, e'', somewhat larger in diameter than the convex head d''' of the screw d, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3, 55 said head d''' being provided with an annular groove,  $d^4$ , into which fits loosely the setscrew e''', that is screwed through one side of the jaw e, as shown in Figs. 1 and 3, and in this manner, by the universal joint at the junc- 60 tion of the jaw e, combined with the circular projections e'e' on the adjustable jaw e, working in the grooves a''', the jaw e is allowed to adjust itself automatically to the surface of the pipe that is being cut.

The pipe-cutter may be turned in either direction, to the right or left, for cutting pipes

to equal advantage.

What I wish to secure by Letters Patent and claim is— The herein-described improved pipe-cutter,

consisting of the vise a, with its inner groove a''', loosely-revolving cutter-wheel b, and nut c, in combination with the pressure-screw d d'd'', the adjustable jaw e, with its cylindrical 75 side projections, e' e', and universal-joint connection to the screw d, as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

JOHN MILLER.

Witnesses:

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