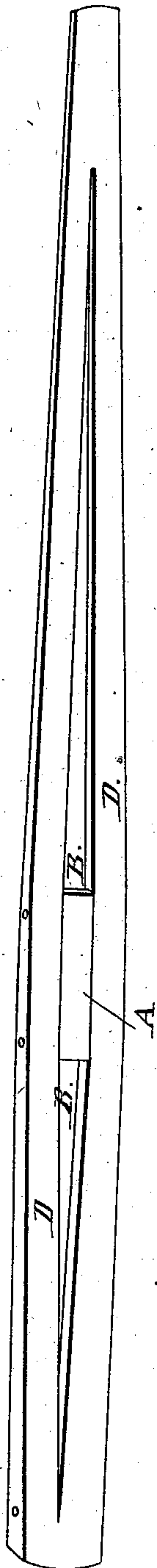


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, STEPHEN M. HAMBLIN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Plymouth, in the county of Plymouth and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and Improved Picker-Stick for Looms, of which the following is a specification.

My invention is an improvement in the construction of picker-sticks used for the purpose of throwing shuttles back and forth through the loom.

It consists of a picker-stick formed and constructed, as hereinafter described and shown, with an interposed bridge, somewhat after the manner of a truss construction.

The picker-stick is formed of a solid piece of material cut in the middle longitudinally, for the reception of the bridge, or it may be formed of two longitudinal pieces placed together and secured at their ends by suitable means, and then sprung apart to form an opening for the reception of the bridge which is properly fastened to position.

In the drawing, which illustrates the invention, the figure shows a perspective view of the picker-stick constructed in accordance with my invention.

Referring to the drawing, D is the body of the picker-stick, B is the opening in the middle of the same, and A is the interposed bridge.

The picker-stick in common use is made of a straight solid piece of material which is liable to rupture in the middle. My picker-stick has the advantages of strength without any increase of weight.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A picker-stick split or formed of two parts or members and having a bridge interposed between the said parts, as and for the purpose set forth.

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