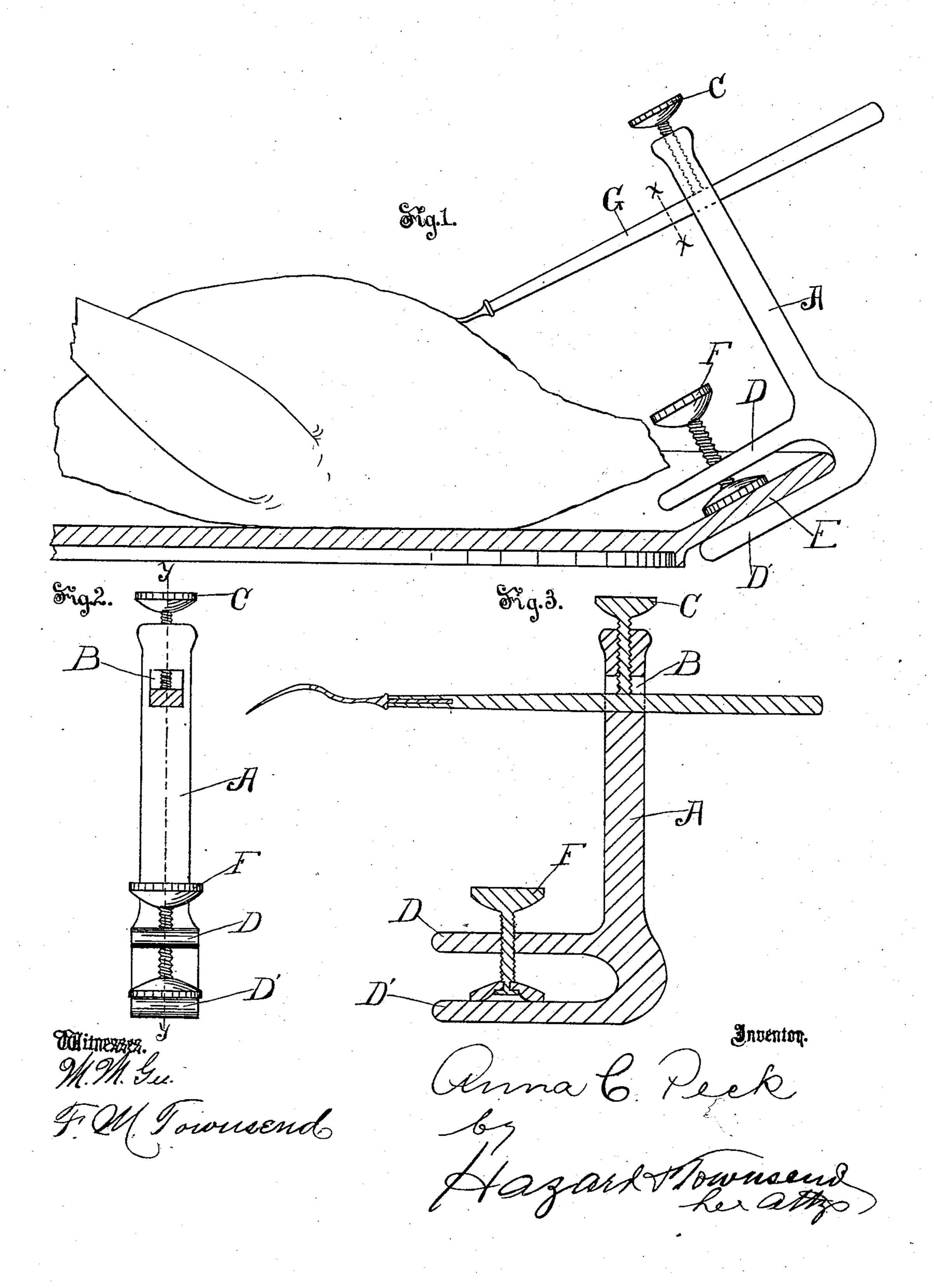
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Anna C. Peck, a citizen of the United States, residing at San Francisco, in the county of San Francisco and State of California, have invented a new and useful Carving-Brace, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to that class of devices designed to hold fowl, meat, roasts, &c., in place upon the plate while they are being served.

The object of my invention is to provide a convenient device for this purpose which, if desired, may be easily removed from the plate when the carving is finished without disarranging the fowl, meat, &c.

My device is specially designed for convenient attachment to and removal in part or in whole from the plate while the fowl, &c., is in

My invention consists of the combination of a suitable fork or skewer for holding the fowl, &c., a clamp-post provided at its lower end with two clamp jaws or arms arranged to receive the rim of the plate between them and at its top with a mortise to receive the handle of the skewer or fork, a clamp-screw arranged to screw through one of such arms or jaws to engage the rim of the plate and clamp it against the other jaw, and a clamp-screw arranged to screw through the upper part of the post coaxial therewith into such mortise to engage the skewer or fork where inserted therethrough and clamp the same firmly therein.

The accompanying drawings illustrate my

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Figure 1 shows my invention in use clamped to the plate and having the fork inserted in a fowl to hold it in position. Fig. 2 is a plain elevation of the same with the fork in section on line x x, Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a vertical midsection on line y y, Fig. 2.

The post A is provided at its top with the mortise B, through which the handle of the fork or skewer is inserted.

C is a clamp-screw for securing the fork or skewer in place. The post is provided at the bottom with the two clamp-jaws D D', arranged to receive the rim of the plate E between them. One of the clamp-jaws is provided with a clamp-screw F, arranged to screw through the upper clamp-jaw to press upon the rim of the plate, as shown in Fig. 1. G represents the fork or skewer.

In practice the clamp-post is clamped to the 55 plate in the kitchen and the fork or skewer G is set into the fowl or other object to be carved, and the whole is then carried to the table to be served. The fowl or roast thus secured in place can be carved without difficulty and without danger of slipping from the plate.

The several parts may be made of steel, silver, or other suitable material and may be of various ornamental forms and styles.

Now, having described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination set forth of the fork, the clamp-post provided at its lower end with two 70 clamp jaws or arms arranged to receive the rim of the plate between them and at its top with a mortise to receive the handle of the fork, a clamp-screw arranged to screw through one of such clamp-jaws to engage the rim of 75 the plate and clamp it against the other jaw, and a clamp-screw arranged to screw through the upper part of the post to engage the fork.

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