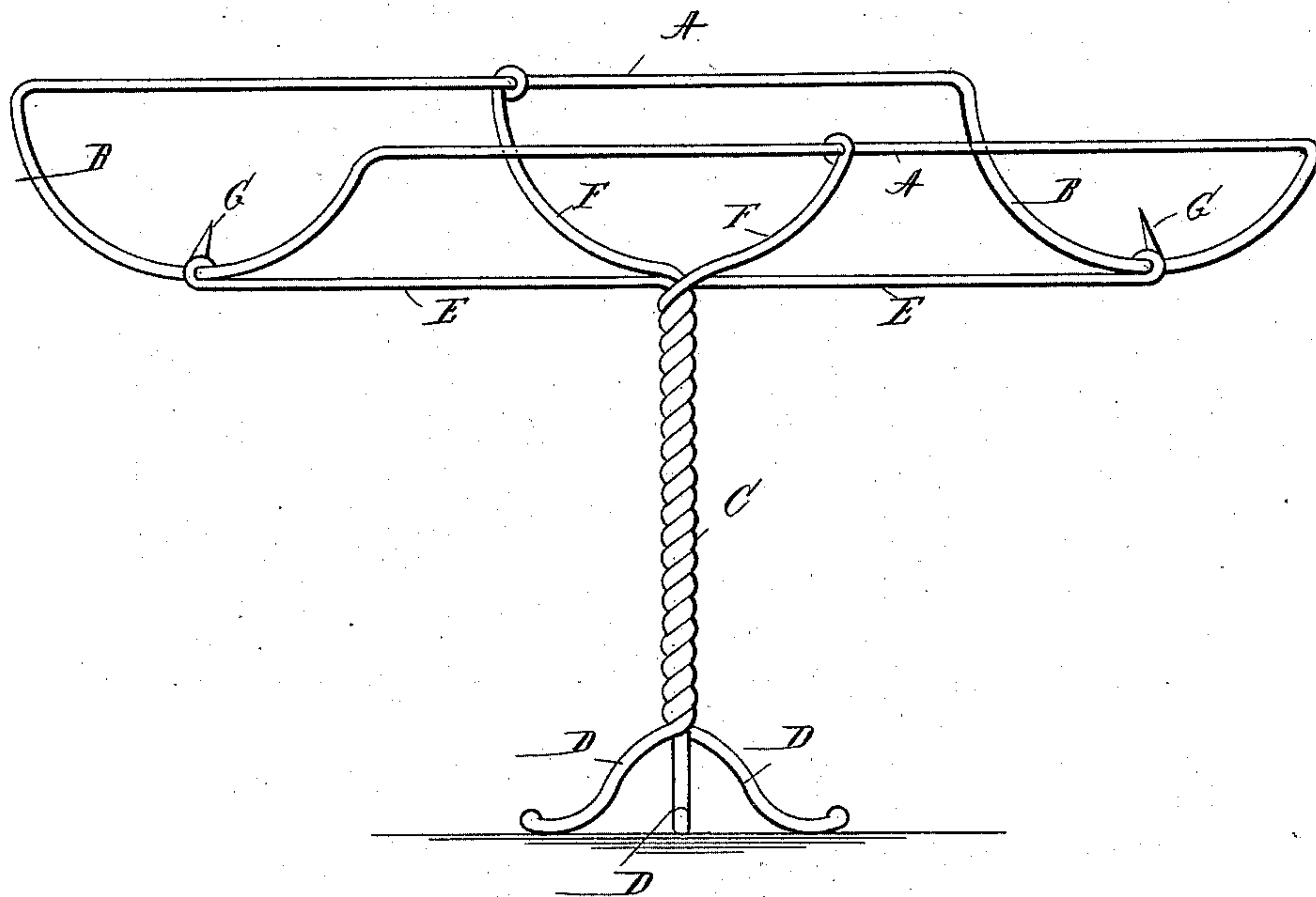


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GRACE MESSERSMITH, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Plainfield, in the county of Union and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Table Implements, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, forming a part thereof, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

This invention relates to table implements or furnishings, and particularly to that class thereof known as supports for ears of hot corn; and the object thereof is to provide a simple and effective device of this class by means of which an ear of hot corn may be supported without coming in contact with the table or the cloth thereon; and with this and other objects in view the invention consists in the device hereinafter described and claimed.

The invention is fully disclosed in the following specification, of which the accompanying drawing forms a part, and which represents a perspective view of my improved corn holder or support.

My improved corn holder or support is preferably composed entirely of wire, and comprises a frame consisting of the side bars A and the downwardly segmentally curved end bars B, said frame being preferably composed of a single piece, and a standard C, which is preferably composed of four separate wires wound together, said wires being separated at the base to form the legs D and at the top to form the horizontal arms E, one of which is connected with each of the segmental end pieces B of the frame and the other two being separated and curved outwardly and upwardly so as to correspond in form with the segmental end pieces B, as shown at F, and one of which is connected with each of the side bars A of the frame.

The standard C may be of any desired height and the frame A of any desired size, and I also preferably connect with each of the segmental end pieces B, near the middle thereof, an upwardly-directed prong or projection G, said prongs or projections being adapted to hold an ear of corn in position on the frame.

My improved device is well adapted to accomplish the result for which it is intended and is also comparatively inexpensive, the last element depending largely upon the material of which it is composed, and my invention, as will be understood, is not limited to the use of wire in the construction of the holder, as herein shown and described, and many modifications thereof may be readily made without departing from the spirit of my invention, and I therefore reserve the right to make all such alterations and changes therein as fairly come within the scope of the invention.

Having fully described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

A corn-holder formed of wire and consisting of an oblong semicircular frame having parallel side bars, and curved end bars, and a standard formed of wires wound together, being separated at the base to form legs and at the top to form outwardly-extending arms, two of which are connected with the sides of the frame, and the other two connected with the curved end pieces and having the ends thereof directed upwardly and pointed, substantially as described and shown.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name, in presence of the subscribing witnesses, this 9th day of September, 1895.

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