

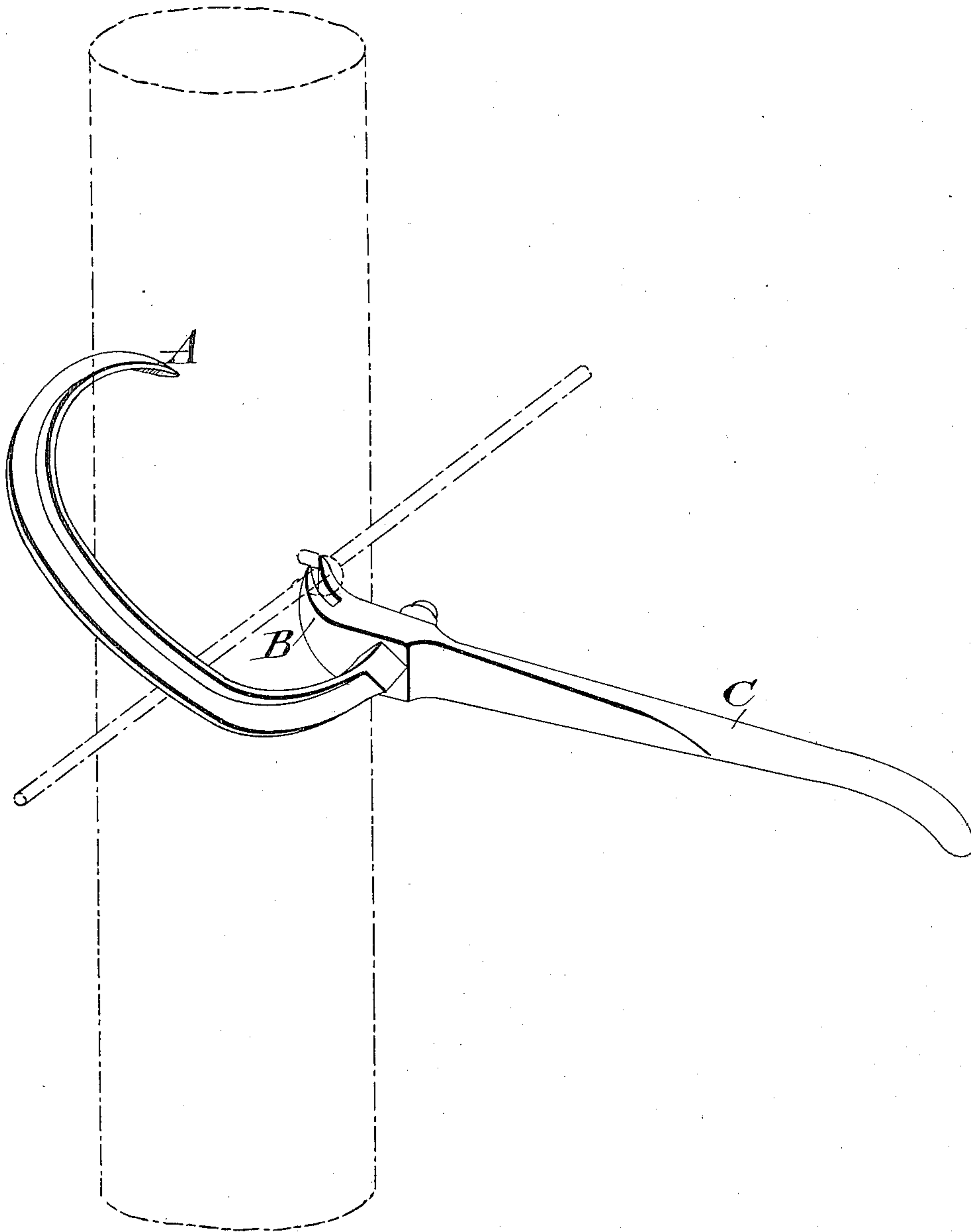
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANDREW AXELTON, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Graettinger, Palo Alto county, State of Iowa, have invented a new and useful Device for Pulling Staples from Fence-Posts, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a device for pulling staples from fence-posts which fastens or holds the wire thereto.

The object of my device is to facilitate or make easy the removal of wire-fence staples from posts. I attain this object by the mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawing, which is a perspective view of the device in position for pulling a staple from a post.

The semicircular clamp or arm A, which is the part that fastens around and into the post, and the lever or handle C and the claw B are the different parts of said device, which are composed of iron. The semicircular arm A is about eight inches in diameter, and the lever C is twelve inches in length. The semicircular arm A rotates in an almost complete

circle or arc and is fastened to the upper part of lever C and held by a screw-nut. The lever C which is fastened to the arm A allows the arm to work freely through the opening in the lever C.

In operating said machine the arm A is placed around the post and fastened to it by the sharp point on the end of the arm. The claw B is then placed under the wire, with the staple between the jaws of the claw, and the lever C is pressed down, thereby removing the staple.

What I do claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A staple-puller comprising the combination with a lever having at one end staple-engaging claws of a curved bar one end of which is pointed and the other end of which forms a pivot for said lever the curved bar lying in a plane at right angles to the plane in which the lever operates on such point.

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