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Fig. 1.

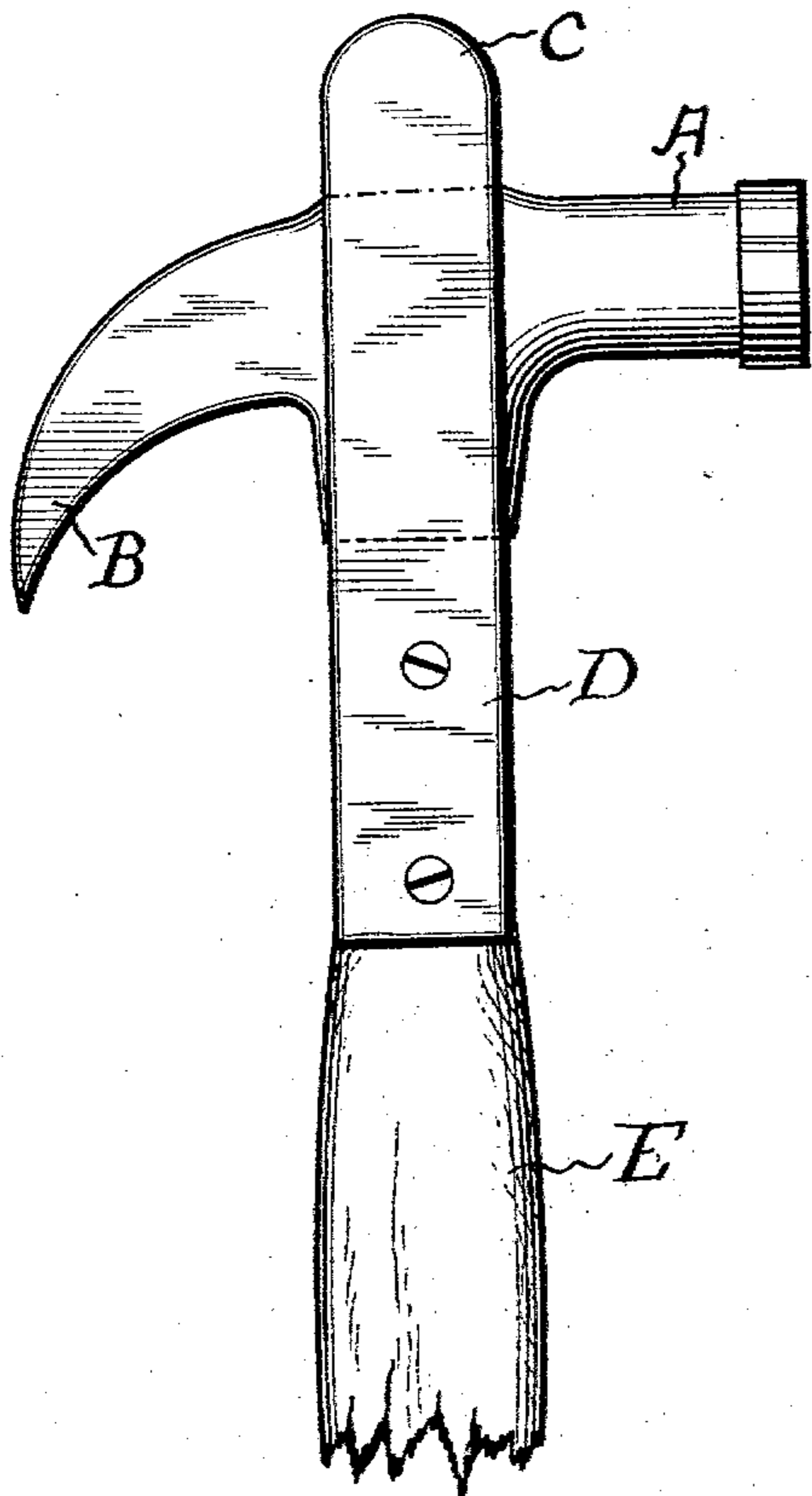
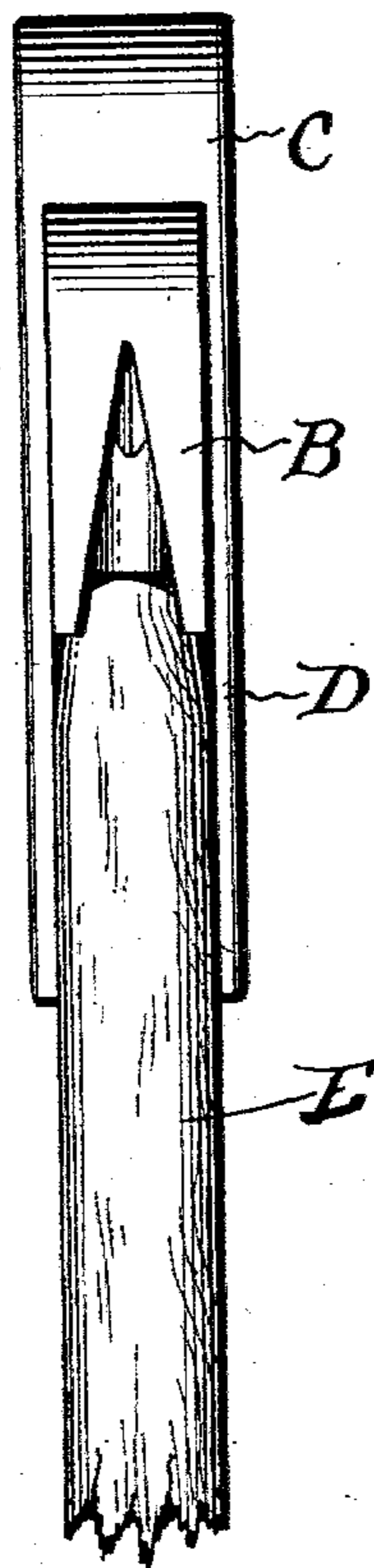


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EZEKIEL A. ASHLAND, a citizen of the United States, residing at St. Albans, in the county of Franklin and State of Vermont, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Claw-Hammers; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to what is known as "claw-hammers;" and the object of the invention is to provide a metal fulcrum attachment with metal straps to a claw-hammer, placed on the claw-hammer opposite the handle-opening to bear upon the wood or other substance against which the claw-hammer rests in withdrawing a nail or other similar operation. Further, it is to strengthen the claw-hammer and handle by the metal straps running down from either side of the fulcrum, making with the fulcrum one solid piece and forming an extension-socket for the handle, so that when the handle is adjusted to the claw-hammer the metal straps can be securely fixed to it with screws. Other hammers have the straps,

but they are not a part of the detachable fulcrum that I claim is my invention.

The improvement and invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of a claw-hammer constructed in accord with my invention. Fig. 2 is an elevation looking at the back of the claw.

In the drawings, A represents the hammer, having a claw B, which is of the same general form as those ordinarily used.

C is the metal fulcrum, and D D are the metal straps extending downward perpendicularly from the fulcrum and incidentally forming an extension-socket for the handle E and making a guard and a brace for it.

What I claim is—

In combination with a hammer-head, a fulcrum having integral metal straps, the said fulcrum being adjusted tightly over the hammer-head with the straps extending over the sides of the head and attached to the handle, substantially as described.

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