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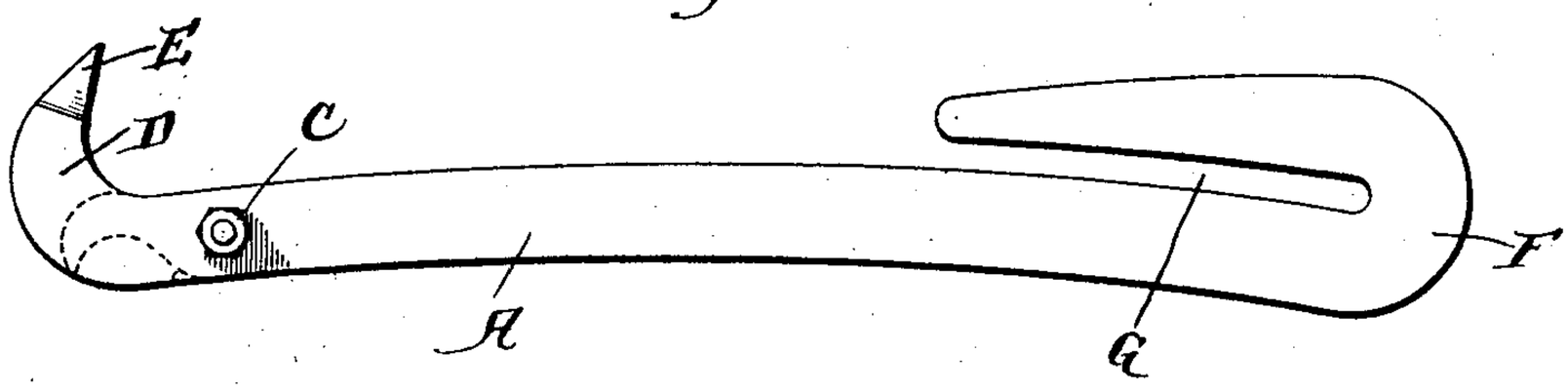
Fig. 1.



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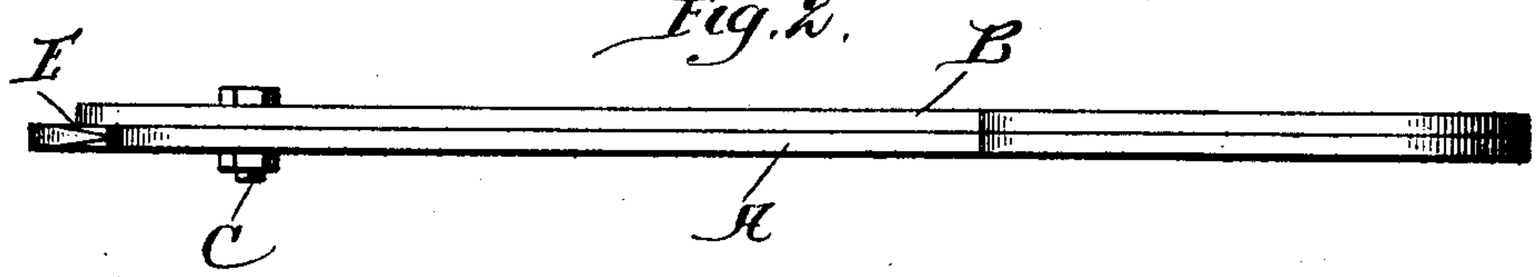

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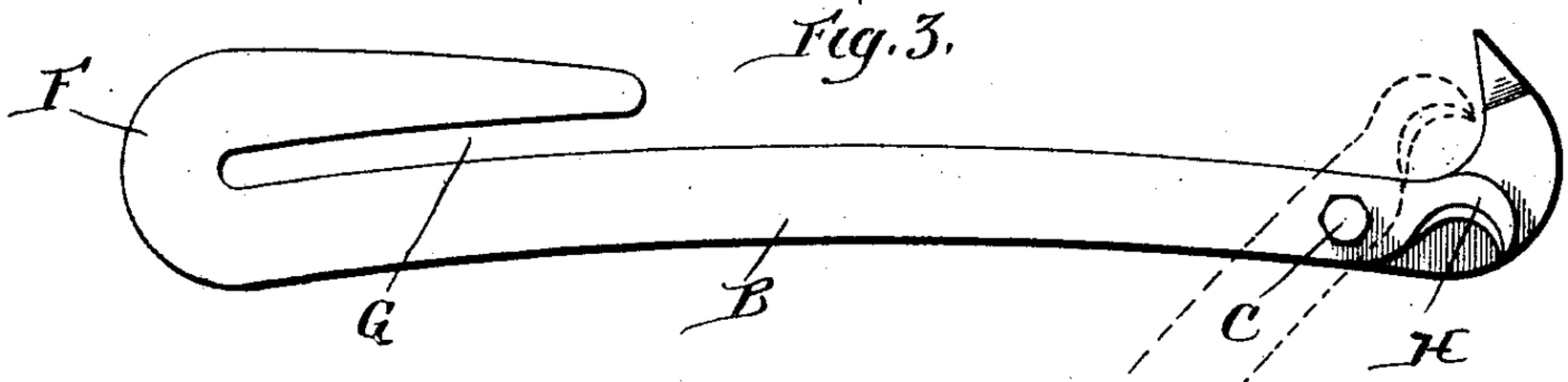

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FENCING-TOOL.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES F. MOORE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Greatbend, county of Barton, and State of Kansas, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Fencing-Tools, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a new and useful improvement in fencing-tools, and has for its object to provide a fencing-tool which will be extremely efficient in operation, durable, and yet may be manufactured at a comparatively small price.

With this end in view this invention consists in the details of construction and combination of elements hereinafter set forth and then specifically designated by the claim.

In order that those skilled in the art to which this invention appertains may understand how to make and use the same, the construction and operation will now be described in detail, referring to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of the tool; Fig. 2, a plan view of the same; Fig. 3, an elevation of the opposite side of the tool.

The tool is composed of two members A and B. These two members are pivoted together at the point C, and the member A is formed hook shape at one end, as represented at D, the point of this hook being sharpened, as shown at E. The other end of the member A is enlarged, as represented at F, and is provided with a slot G, so that this end also forms a hook. The member B has formed upon the same end as the hook D a curved knife-blade H, and the other end of the member B is formed exactly the same as the member A. In using this tool the sharpened hook-shaped end D is utilized for pulling staples, &c. The other end of the tool, having the slot G, is for the purpose of holding the wire while splicing the same. By rocking the two members A and B upon their pivot relative to one another a wire-cutter is formed, and by placing the member B in the position shown in dotted lines and by placing the wire to be cut in the curve of the hook D and then by closing the two members together the knife H will coöperate with the hook D to shear off the wire, and thus a very simple, durable, and efficient tool is provided which will cut the wire, hold the same while being spliced, and also can be used for pulling staples.

The advantage of this invention is that it may be manufactured at such a small cost that any farmer or other person needing such a tool may easily purchase the same and keep the tool in the house ready for any emergency.

If desired, that member of the tool which carries the knife could be dispensed with and only the main member used if the user did not desire the cutting attachment.

Of course I do not wish to be limited to the exact construction here shown, as slight modifications could be made without departing from the spirit of my invention.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new and useful is—

In a fencing-tool, two members pivoted together near one end and capable of being swung on their pivot to extend in opposite directions, the ends remote from the pivot being enlarged and having slots extending toward the ends to form seats, whereby hook-like extremities are produced.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my signature in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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