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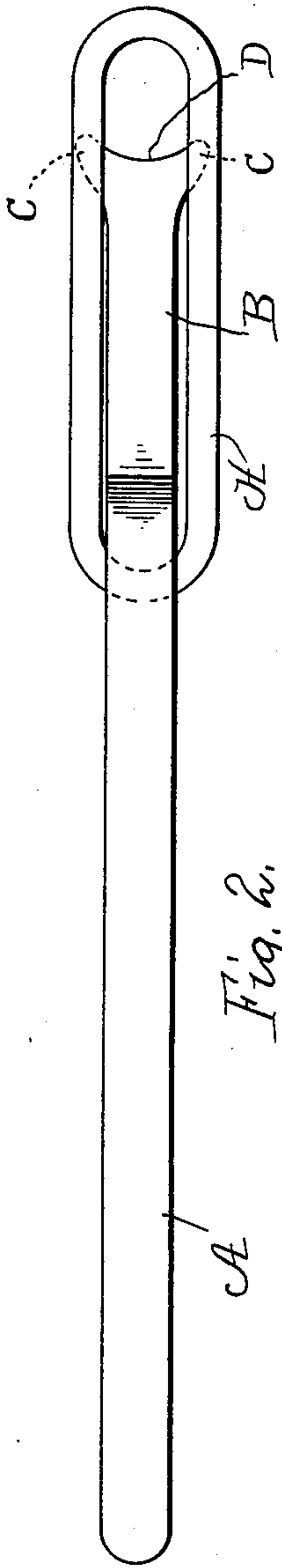


Fig. 2.

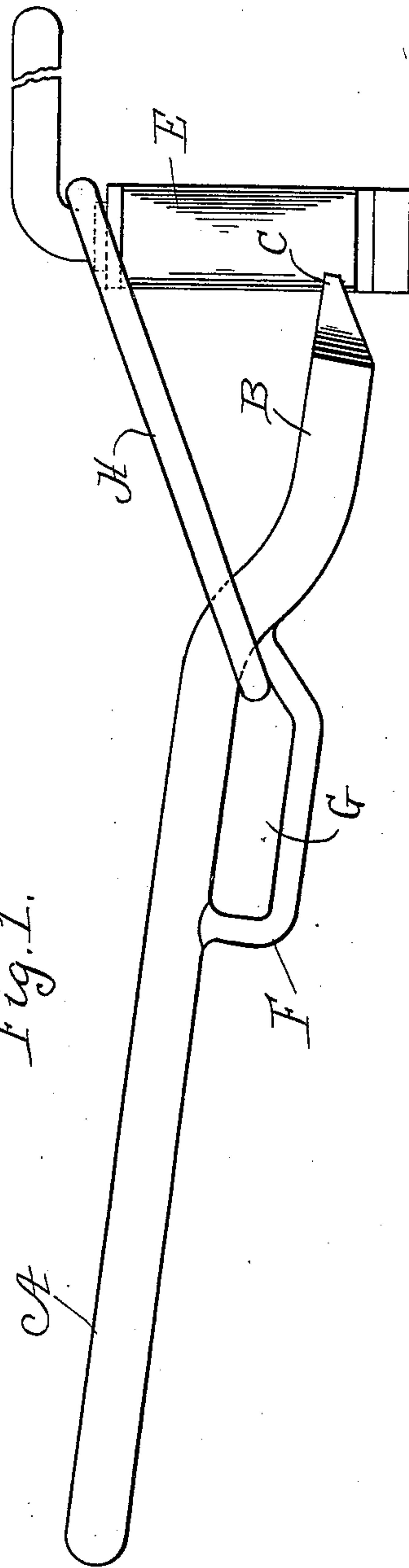


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE W. DEWEES, a citizen of the United States, residing at West Haddonfield, in the county of Camden and State of New Jersey, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Spigot-Wrenches, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to new and useful improvements in spigot wrenches and has for its object to provide an exceedingly simple and effective device of this character which may be readily and quickly applied to a spigot, whereby said spigot may be threaded in or out of a barrel or on or off the pipes of a water system.

A further object of the invention is to produce a wrench which will be simple in construction, requiring few parts thus making it inexpensive in cost of manufacture and one which will be strong and durable.

With these ends 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, I will describe its construction in detail, referring by letter to the accompanying drawing forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1, is a side elevation of my improved spigot wrench showing it applied to a spigot, and Fig. 2, a plan view thereof, the wrench being removed from the spigot.

In carrying out my invention as here embodied, A represents a handle of any suitable size and length having a foot B formed therewith, said foot lying in a different plane than the handle. The outer end of this foot is provided with a pair of oppositely disposed toes C and having a notch D produced between them which is adapted to engage the body of the spigot E, in proximity to its lower end.

With the under side of the handle to the rear of the foot B, is formed an integral member F, producing between said member and the lower surface of the handle, a slot G. Through this slot G passes an elongated ring H which is of greater length than the distance from the end of the slot nearest the foot, to the end of said foot,

and when the wrench is in use this ring engages the shank of the spigot handle, and the shortest diameter thereof is less than the distance between the toes, so that said elongated ring is prevented from passing to the opposite side of the foot. When in use, the elongated ring is placed over one end of the spigot handle and is then brought into engagement with the shank of said handle, at which time the notch D between the toes C is brought into engagement with the lower portion of the spigot, thereby causing said foot to be at one side of the screw portion of the spigot, while the ring is at the opposite side, and when the outer end of the wrench is revolved about the screw portion of the spigot or at its point of attachment, said spigot will be revolved, either screwing it in or out of the bung hole of the barrel.

In Fig. 1 of the drawing, the wrench is shown in position for removing a spigot, so that by revolving the handle A of the wrench away from the handle of the spigot, pressure will be brought to bear upon the mouth end of the spigot, while the key end will be pulled, thus revolving the spigot in the right direction for removing the same; but if the wrench is placed upon the other side of the spigot, using the spigot as the axis, then the same operation in the opposite direction will revolve the spigot in the correct manner for placing it in position.

Of course I do not wish to be limited to the exact details of construction as here shown, as these may be varied within the limits of the appended claim without departing from the spirit of my invention.

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

In a spigot wrench, a handle, an integral foot lying in a different plane to the handle, a pair of oppositely disposed toes formed with said foot, having a notch produced between them, an integral member formed with the handle to the rear of the foot, producing a slot between said member and the lower face of the handle, and an elongated ring passing through said slot.

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

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