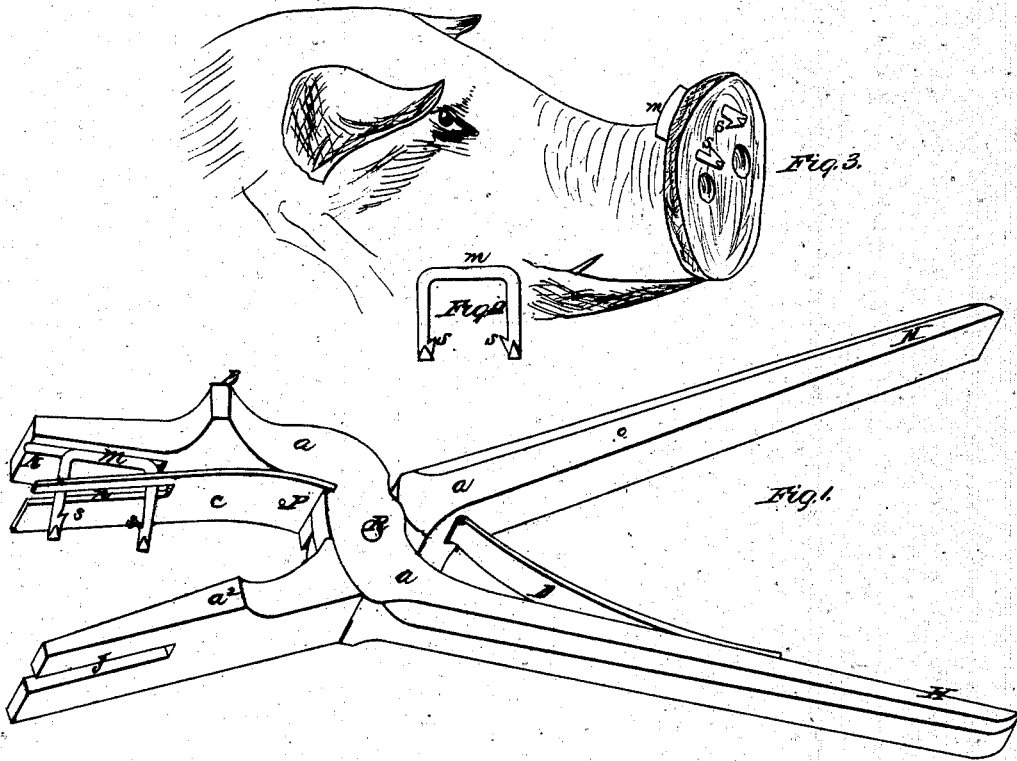


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## IMPROVED HOG-TAMER.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 47,329, dated April 18, 1865.

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, THEODORE G. PELTON, of Lyons, Clinton county, State of Iowa, have invented a new and useful Machine for the Purpose of Preventing Hogs from Rooting; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters of reference marked thereon, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view. Fig. 2 is a plan of barbed wire to insert in the nose of the hog. Fig. 3 shows the wire inserted in nose or snout.

*a a a a<sup>2</sup>* represent jaws, open; B, a bulb or projection to gage the implement to the nose; *c*, steel spring (slotted) to hold wire *m* in its place while adjusting the implement to the nose; D, a steel spring to keep the jaws open; J, a slot in jaw *a<sup>2</sup>* to receive the wire *m* when jaw is closed; K, a groove in jaw *a* to receive the wire *m*; *m*, a wire placed in slot *n* of spring *c*, ready for use; *n*, a slot in spring *c* to hold wire *m*; H H, handles of jaws; S S, barbs on wire to prevent it from working out.

To enable others to use my invention, I will proceed to describe its construction and operation, as follows:

The jaws *a a a a<sup>2</sup>* and handles are of cast-iron and riveted together like an ordinary pair of pinchers. The barbed wire *m* is of steel or

iron, and bent as indicated in drawing, with the ends sharpened, with barbs cut as shown.

The spring *c* is of steel, and fastened by being fitted to the jaw, and fasten with rivet P. The spring D is also of steel, and fastens with two rivets to handle H.

In order to use the machine, insert the wire into the slot *n* in spring *c*, letting it rest in groove K of jaw *a*; then grasp the handles in the right hand, so as to bring the projection or gage B on the under side; then place the jaws on the top of the nose of the hog, so that the gage B will rest against the nose, and the snout or rooter project up between the spring *c* and slotted jaw *a<sup>2</sup>*; then by closing the handles H H the wire *m* is forced through the rooter or snout, as shown in Fig. 3; then by drawing the machine away the wire *m* slips out through the grooves *n* and J, and remains in the snout or nose of the hog, thereby preventing him from rooting.

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

The slotted spring *c*, the slotted jaw *a<sup>2</sup>*, the grooved jaw *a*, with its gage B, and the barbed wire *m*, of steel or iron, all for the purposes as above set forth.

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