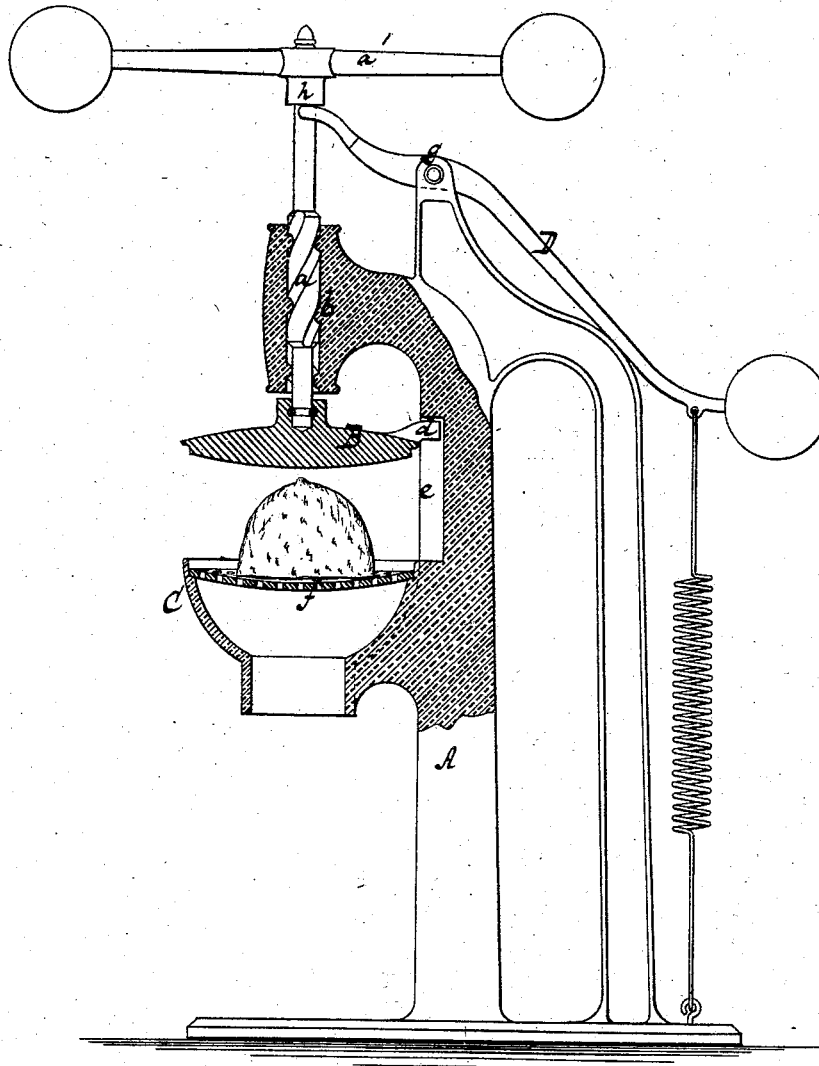


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## LEMON-SQUEEZER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FRIEDRICH D. F. MÜLLER, a citizen of Germany, residing at New York, in the county and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Lemon-Squeezers, of which the following is a specification.

This invention consists of a lemon-squeezer the follower of which is mounted loosely on a stem which is provided with a steep screw-thread which works in a nut in the standard, and is turned by a "ball-handle" when it is desired to bring said follower down, and provided with a weighted lever, which is pivoted in the standard, for bringing said plunger back again to its normal position.

The drawing represents a sectional side view of my invention.

In the drawing, the letter A designates the standard, B the follower, and C the cup or lemon-holder.

The stem of the follower has cut into it a steep screw-thread, *a*, which works in a nut, *b*, in the standard A, and is turned by a handle, *a'*, secured to its upper end. The follower is loosely connected to the lower end of its stem, and it is provided with a projection, *d*, which extends into and is guided in a groove, *e*, in the standard for the purpose of preventing said follower from turning when the apparatus is operated.

The lemon to be squeezed is placed on the perforated disk *f* in the cup C. Then the han-

dle *a'* is turned in the proper direction, thereby bringing the follower down on the lemon. To raise the follower B again to its normal position I employ a lever, D, which is pivoted to the standard at *g*, one end of which lever is forked and straddles the stem of the follower, resting against a shoulder, *h*, on the same, while the other end is provided with a weight or a spring, or both, which have a tendency to draw that end down and raise the other end, which engages with the stem of the follower, thus bringing the same back to its upper position, ready for a repetition of the operation. By these means the operation of squeezing lemons can be carried on very rapidly and without much exertion.

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

The combination, substantially as hereinbefore described, of the follower B, loosely connected to its screw-stem, the projection *d* for preventing said follower from turning with its stem, the handle for depressing the follower, and the reversing-lever D for automatically raising the follower.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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