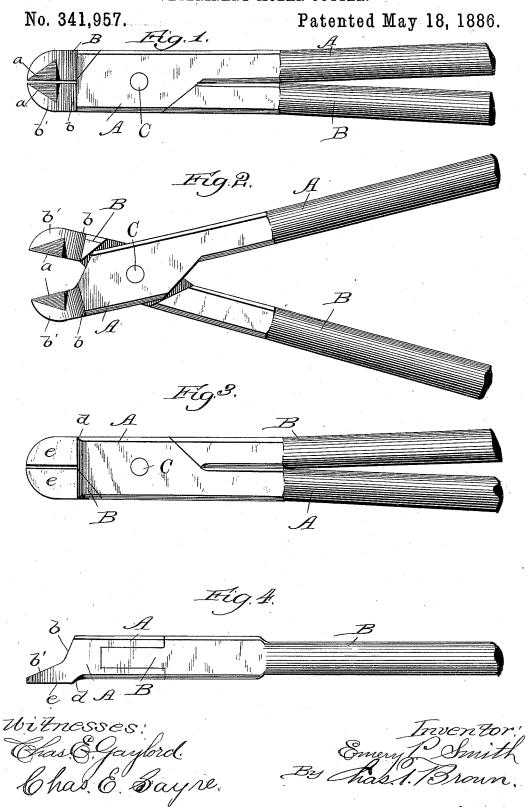
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EMERY P. SMITH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Molar Cutters for Horses, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to the class of instruments designed for use in the practice of the 10 art of dental surgery in horses. As is well known to those skilled in the art, the upper teeth in the horse project beyond the lower teeth, and owing to this, as well as to the peculiar structure and formation of the teeth, 15 protuberances and projections are at all times liable to appear or grow upon the outer surface or border of the upper teeth and the inner surface or border of the lower teeth, and such projections or protuberances are of fre-20 quent occurrence. From such projections on the upper teeth, which often assume a sharp and jagged appearance, the membrane lining the cheek may, and generally does, become cut and lacerated, as does in like manner the 25 tongue from the projections on the inner border of the lower teeth.

The object of my invention is to obtain an instrument by means of which these projections may be easily cut and separated from 30 the teeth, and without injury to said teeth.

I have illustrated my invention by the drawings accompanying this specification and forming a part hereof, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation showing the underside of my improved molar-cutter closed. Fig. 2 is the same view as is Fig. 1, but showing the molar-cutter open. Fig. 3 is an elevation of the upper side of the same. Fig. 4 is an elevation at right angles to Figs. 1, 2, 40 and 3.

Like letters refer to like parts throughout the several views.

A B are the arms or levers, turning on point C, which form my improved molar-cutter.

a a are two beveled faces on jaw or beveled 45
piece b' of levers A B, forming a cutting-edge.
b b' are shoulders or beveled edges forming and shaping the under side of the jaw.

d is a beveled edge or shoulder forming and shaping the upper side or face of my improved 50 molar cutter.

e is the flat upper surface of the jaws. The cutting-edges of my improved molar-cutter do not come in contact when the same is closed, as is illustrated in Fig. 1. The purpose and object of shoulder or beveled edge d is to raise the flat upper surface, e, of the jaws into suitable position, so that the cutter may be used in the several positions it necessarily

is placed in the hands of the operator.

The manner in which my improved molarcutter is used is, the flat side or face e is placed
toward and against the tooth from which a
projection is to be cut or taken, with the jaws
open and encircling the projection, and the 65
cutter closed. By the closing of the cutter the
projection or protuberance is cut and removed
from said tooth.

I am aware that cutters having jaws and suitable for use in cutting various substances 70 have been heretofore made, and I therefore do not claim a cutter having arms or levers forming handles by which the cutter is operated and jaws acting on or cutting the article or thing operated upon; but

What I are upon;

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

In a molar-cutter for horses, the combination of arm A, having shoulders or beveled edges b b' and beveled edge a thereon, and 80 shoulder d, with flat surface e, with arm B, having like shoulders b b', beveled edge a, and shoulder d, with surface e, all substantially as described, and for the purpose set forth.

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