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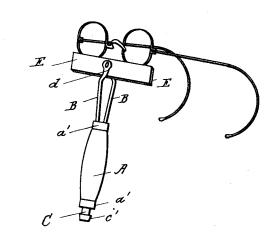
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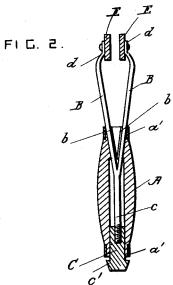
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FIG. I.





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HAND-VISE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CLARANCE V. BURCH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Terre Haute, in the county of Vigo and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hand-Vises; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to hand-vises for holding the frames of spectacles while being soldered together; and it consists in the novel construction and combination of the parts hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the hand-vise. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section through the same.

A is the handle, which is formed of wood or other similar material and provided with ferrules a' at its ends. The handle is tubular and has internal grooves b at its upper end portion.

B represents two diverging spring-arms which are slidable in the grooves b longitudinally of the handle. The lower ends of the spring-arms are provided with a screw-threaded stem c, which is formed integral with the said arms and is screwed into a push-piece C.

The push-piece C is slidable in the lower part

of the tubular handle and has a projecting stop e' below the end of the handle for limiting its motion. The upper end portions d of the arms B are cranked toward each other 35 and are flattened.

E represents the vise-jaws, the middle parts

of which are riveted to the upper ends of the spring-arms.

The spectacles are held between the jaws as shown in Fig. 1, and as both the lense-40 frames are held securely in their proper relative positions the bridge-piece between them can be soldered to them with great facility. The handle is held between the thumb and fingers of one hand, and the spectacles are released by elevating the push-piece with the little finger of the same hand. The jaws may be retracted toward the handle by pulling the part c'; but the jaws are preferably caused to clamp the work by first pressing them together by hand upon the work and then pushing up the handle upon the spring-arms toward the jaws until it jams upon the spring-arms and is retained in position by their elasticity.

What I claim is—
In a hand-vise, the combination, with a stem provided at its upper end with a pair of diverging spring-arms, the upper end portions of which are cranked toward each other and flattened; of jaw-plates secured to the said 60 flattened end portions, a tubular handle provided with grooves for engaging with the said spring-arms, and a push-piece secured to the lower end of the said stem and slidable inside the lower part of the tubular handle, sub- 65 stantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

CLARANCE V. BURCH.

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