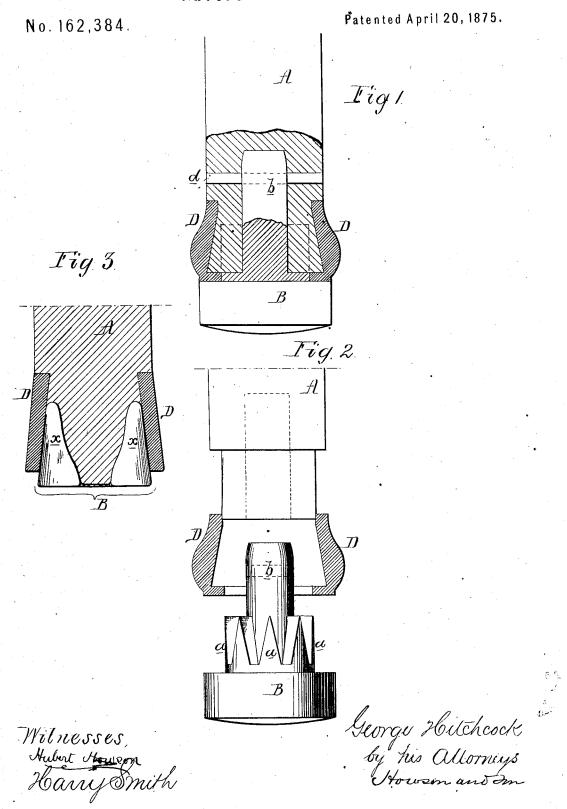
G. HITCHCOCK. Pavers' Rammer.



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IMPROVEMENT IN PAVIORS' RAMMERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE HITCHCOCK, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, have invented certain Improvements in Pavior's Rammers, of which the following is a specification:

The object of my invention is to provide a pavior's rammer with a head or ram, which can be readily and securely attached to the wooden body, and this object I attain in the manner which I will now proceed to describe, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a vertical sectional view of my improved pavior's rammer; Fig. 2, a view of the parts detached from each other; and Fig. 3, a sectional view of an ordinary pavior's

The ordinary method of constructing a pavior's rammer is shown in Fig. 3, in which a terrule, D, is first fitted to the lower end of the wooden body A of the rammer, and pieces x of wrought iron then driven into the same, around the inner edge of the ferrule D, until the circle is complete, this ring of pieces x around the wooden center forming the ram B. As powerful blows are required to drive the pieces x into their places, and as each piece has to be driven separately, this plan is necessarily tedious and expensive. Moreover, the ferrule D has a tendency to slip down over

the edges of the pieces after the rammer has been used for a time. I obviate these objections by constructing the head B of the rammer as shown in Figs. 1 and 2—that is, by easting it in one piece, preferably of steel, and forming on it a number of wedge-shaped projections, a, between which and the ferrule D the wood of the body A is compressed when the head is driven into its place. A central stem, b, is also formed on the head B, and through an opening near the end of this stem is driven a key-pin, d, which also passes through the body of the rammer and serves to retain the head securely in its place.

I claim as my invention—

A pavior's rammer having a solid metal head, B, on which are formed wedge-shaped projections a, and a central stem, b, all being constructed for attachment to the wooden body A, substantially as and for the purpose herein set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

GEORGE HITCHCOCK.

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