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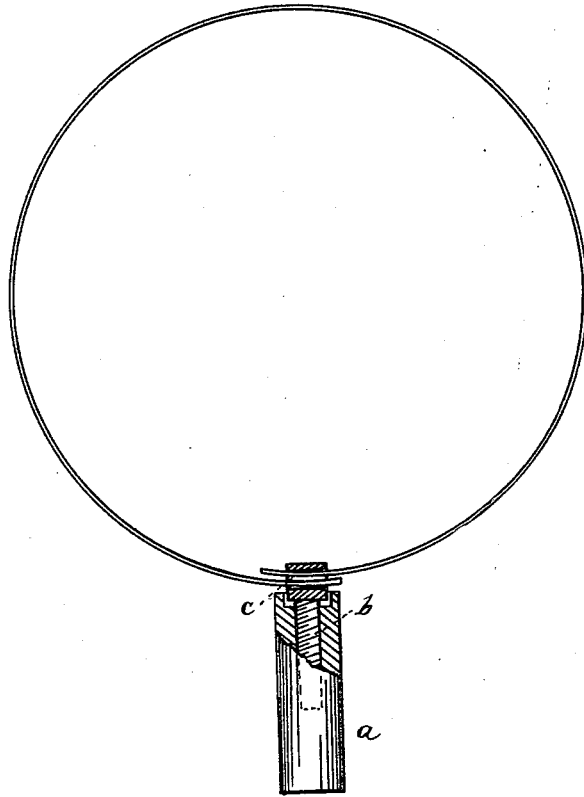


Fig. 1.

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IMPROVEMENT IN LANDING-NETS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES F. NASON, of Auburn, in the county of Androscoggin and State of Maine, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Landing-Nets; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

Figure 1 is a front view, in part section.

The object of my invention is to provide a safe and convenient device to hold the meshes of a landing-net, used by fishermen.

The objections sought to be overcome may be thus stated: The landing-net is a very inconvenient article to carry in traveling. The hoop at the end renders it inconvenient to pack or stow away, and is, moreover, liable to get broken. Fishing-rods are now generally carried in stiff cases; but the landing-net, on account of the hoop at the end, cannot be so packed.

My invention obviates these difficulties.

a is the ferrule to receive the stock or handle. The other end of the ferrule receives the

screw *b*, which screw, through the head thereof, has the slot *c*. The hoop, upon which the meshes are suspended, is made of a piece of elastic metal or other material. This strip is passed through the loops in the outer edges of the net, and the two ends of the strip, one overlying the other, are then inserted into the slot *c*. The elastic strip is thus bent into the form of a hoop. The screw *b* is then turned down so as to bind the overlapping ends of the hoop, as shown in the drawing, and the device is ready for use. When being transported, the elastic band is taken out of the socket, and, then, together with the stock, it may be placed in one of the divisions of a case, such as fishing-rods are carried in.

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

The combination of the ferrule *a*, screw *b*, having the slot *c*, and the flexible strips for holding the net, substantially as and for the purposes herein described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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