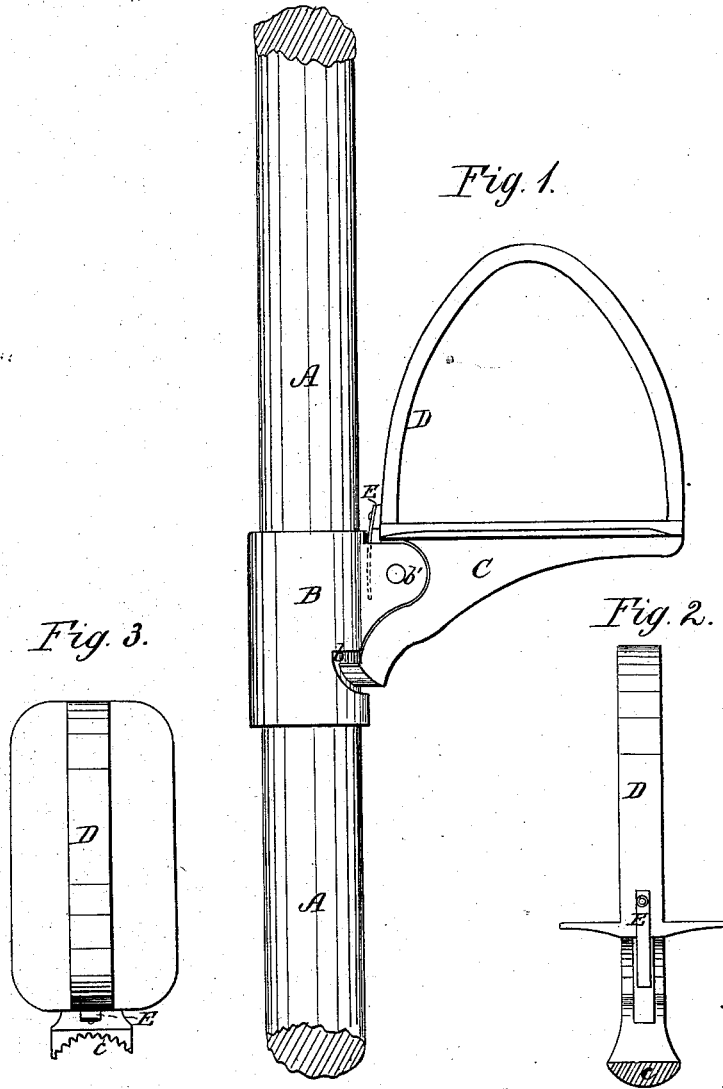


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANKLIN BEAUMONT, Jr., of the city and county of Dallas, and State of Texas, have invented a new and Improved Stilt; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation; Fig. 2, an edge view of the stirrup; Fig. 3, a plan view of the same.

The invention will first be fully described in connection with drawing, and then pointed out in the claim.

A represents a stilt-rod, and B a tube or sleeve that may be slid thereon. The latter has a cross-slot, *b*, and two lugs, *b'* *b'*. Between the latter is pivoted a lever, C, whose serrated and arc-shaped end *c* passes through slot *b* whenever a spring is allowed to act or there is pressure on top of the lever. On the upper end of lever is located the stirrup D, which projects over the lugs *b'*, and is provided with a spring, E, that throws the lever

against the rod A, to hold it at any point of adjustment. The weight of the stilt-walker bears on the long end of lever, and compels the serrated end *c* to gripe the rod with great firmness.

In constructing my devices I do not confine myself to any particular form of the tube or sleeve B, and may make it of a cylindrical form, as shown, or of a polygonal or square shape, the latter form adapting it to stilt-rods finished with flat sides by a plane in the absence of a lathe for turning the circular form.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new is—

The combination of tube B, slotted at *b*, the thereto pivoted lever C, attached to or made in one with the foot-plate, and having serrated end *c*, and the stirrup D, all constructed and arranged substantially as and for the purpose specified.

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