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HUSKING-PROTECTORS.

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Fig. 1

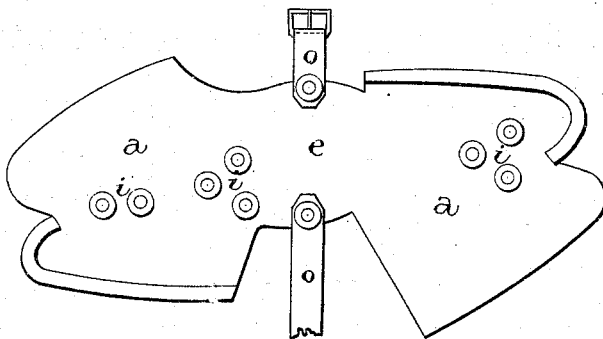
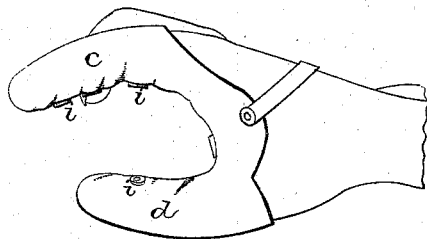


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN HUSKING-PROTECTORS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, WESLEY HUTCHINSON and JNO. HUTCHINSON, of Chatsworth, in the county of Livingston and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Husking-Protectors; and we 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 pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification.

Our invention relates to an improvement in husking-protectors; and it consists in the peculiar construction of the protectors, and the manner of securing them to the hand, as will be more fully described hereinafter.

The accompanying drawings represent our invention.

We first take a piece of leather, sheep-skin, or any suitable material, *a*, and cut it out in the form shown, so that when the edges are sewed together a finger, *c*, and a thumb, *d*, will be formed from the single piece, and all that part *e* which unites the two together will form a protector for the hand. The seams will be sewed with leather, cord, or any suitable material, and the seams will come where there will be no pressure upon them to hurt the hand while in operation. Through the material *a*, on the inside of both thumb and finger, are passed a number of rivets, *i*, head-

ed tacks, or any suitable metal protectors, which will protect the material from wear. Secured to the part *e*, on opposite sides, are the two straps *o*, which pass around over the back of the hand, instead of being fastened to the wrist, as is usual.

Where the straps are fastened to the wrist, the hands are always hampered, whereas when they are fastened over the back of the hand the hand is left perfectly free, so that the operator can freely use any pin to which he may have become accustomed.

By this manner of fastening, the protector can also be much more firmly fastened to the hand.

Having thus described our invention, we claim—

As a new article of manufacture, a corn-husker composed of a finger, *c*, and thumb *d*, made from a single piece of flexible material, *a*, rivets *i*, and the straps *o*, that buckle directly across the back of the hand, substantially as shown.

In testimony that we claim the foregoing we have hereunto set our hands this 24th day of June, 1876.

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