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Fig. 1.

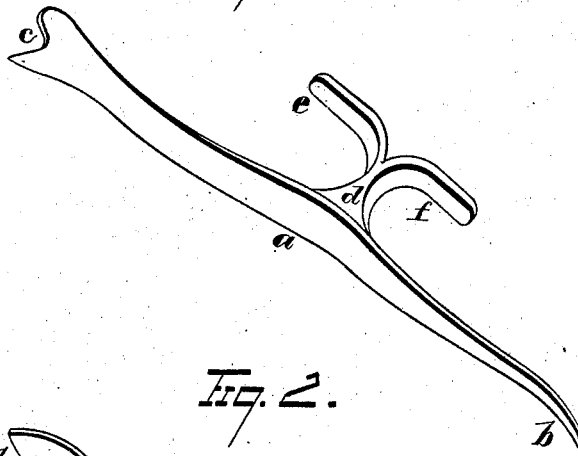
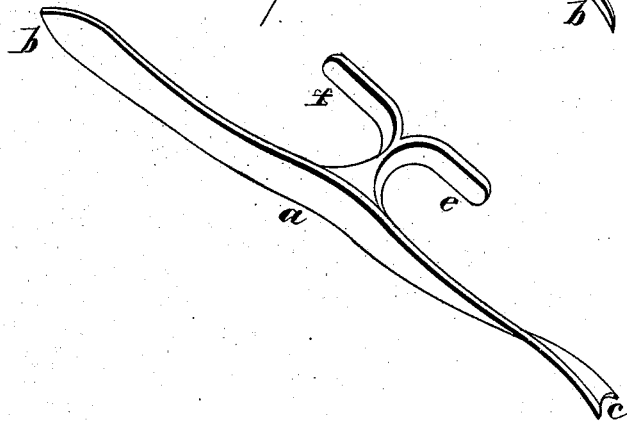


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN CORN-HUSKING IMPLEMENTS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY W. PRICE, of the city of Rockford, in the county of Winnebago and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Corn-Husking Pins, of which the following is a specification:

This invention relates to corn-husking pins, designed to be worn on the hand of the user for the purpose of opening the husk preparatory to removing it from the ear.

The object of this invention is to provide a cheap and effective husking-pin capable of use with or without a glove, and which, when used with a glove, can be so used without cutting or otherwise injuring the glove, and to provide a pin, made reversible, having two husking ends, and constructed of malleable material, and having finger-clasps capable of being reduced in size or enlarged to closely fit the fingers of the user.

In the drawings, Figures 1 and 2 are representations of my improved husking-pin as viewed from opposite sides.

In these figures, *a* represents the main body of the husking-pin, which, in its general form, is composed of like halves of ogee or **S** form, springing from the middle of its length, from which point each half curves forward, then backward, and at its outer end again forward. Thus each half consists of like reverse curves having their outer ends curving forward, one of which terminates in a single point in outline of spoon form, as at *b*, and the other, as at *c*, curving forward and terminating in a fork with two hooking points. This main shaft is slightly convex on its forward or front side and of full oval form on its rear side. It is also twisted, as represented in the drawings, in such a manner that when either end is employed as the husking-pin its front face will properly meet the inner face of the thumb of the user.

The finger-clasp *d* projects in a single branch from the rear side of the body of the husking-pin at its middle, and is designed to be received between the fingers of the user when the husking-pin is placed in position on the hand, and its outer portion is forked, forming two branches, *e* and *f*, which curve outward in the direction of the length of the pin to overlap the back of the fingers, and serve to fix the pin in position for use.

These husking-pins are made from malleable material, as of malleable iron, which permits the clasping-arms to be bent inward, to more closely fit the fingers, or outward, to make more room for the fingers when required.

By this construction I produce a double-ended reversible husking-pin, which, when in use, is supported on two fingers without confining or cramping them; and I also produce a cheap and effective husking-pin at a small cost, which is capable of use with or without a glove, and when used with a glove does not require a glove specially prepared for it, or does not require that the glove be cut or otherwise injured, but is applicable for use with the ordinary gloves found in the trade.

I claim as my invention—

1. A reversible corn-husking pin provided at its middle with a finger-clasp, and composed of like halves of an ogee or **S** form, said halves being twisted in opposite directions, substantially as set forth.

2. A reversible corn-husking pin provided at its middle with a finger-clasp, and composed of like halves of an ogee or **S** form, said halves being twisted in opposite directions, and having their free extremities shaped respectively in spoon form and forked form, substantially as set forth.

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