

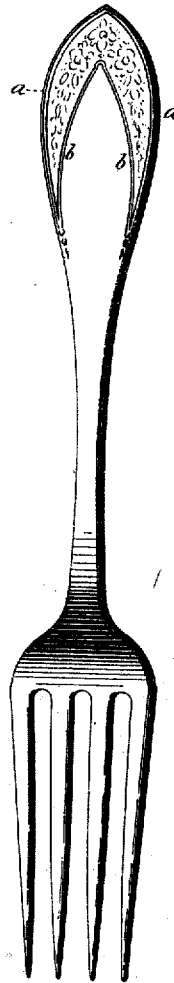
DESIGN.

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DESIGN FOR SPOONS, FORKS, &c.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN M. CULVER, of Wallingford, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented a new Design for Spoons, Forks, &c.; and I do hereby declare the following, when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings and the letters of reference marked thereon, to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, and which said drawings constitute part of this specification, and represent a face view.

This invention relates to a design for the handles of spoons, forks, and similar articles; and it consists in the peculiar form for the shape and ornamentation of the handle, as shown in the accompanying illustration and hereinafter described.

The form of the handle at the end is what is known as "Gothic pattern"—that is, from the swell of the handle contracting by a curved line to a pointed shape at the end. From the narrower portion of the handle, near the edge, and up to the point, a narrow bead, *a*, is run, and intersecting this bead at its lower end is

a second bead, *b*, curved, and contracting more rapidly to a point below the end of the spoon, the space between the two beads gradually widening from their point of intersection to the end. This space may be ornamented or left plain, the principal feature of the design being the inner and the outer bead upon the surface of the handle, inclosing a space between the two, as shown in the accompanying illustration.

I claim—

The herein-described design for the handles of spoons, forks, and like articles, consisting of the two beads *a b*, intersecting each other near the edge of and in the narrower portion of the handle, and inclosing a space on the surface of the handle, gradually widening from the point of intersection of the beads toward the end, as shown in the accompanying illustration.

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