

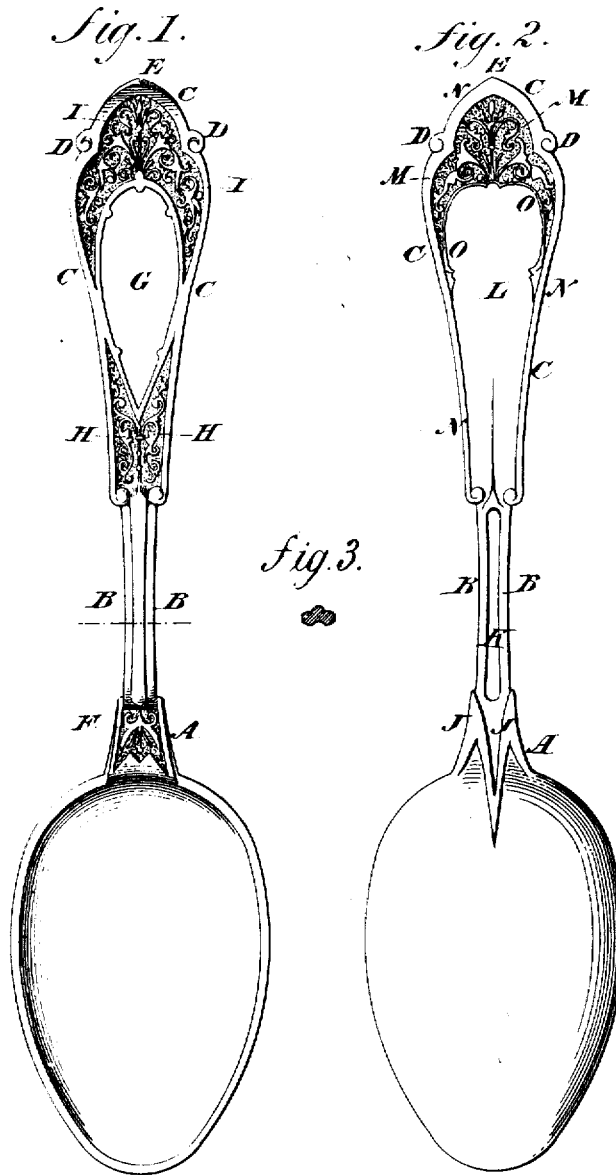
DESIGN.

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Spoon and Fork Handle.

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DESIGN FOR SPOON AND FORK HANDLES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES F. RICHERS, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Design for Spoon and Fork Handles, of which the following is a specification:

Figure 1 is a front view of a spoon illustrating my design. Fig. 2 is a rear view of the same. Fig. 3 is a cross-section of the shank or narrow portion of the handle.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The object of this invention is to furnish, and consists in, a new design for spoon and fork handles, called by me the "Venetian," and which is formed as hereinafter fully described.

The base A of the handle is made slightly tapering, and with shoulders at its upper end. The part B of the handle next above the base A is made with a very slight flare, and is formed of three parallel rounded beads. The part C of the handle above the part B has its lower end made wider than the upper end of the said part B. The edges of the part C curve outward slightly, and then curve outward and inward with a sharper curve, and then curve again outward and inward until they meet, forming the two re-entrant angles D and the salient angles E. The re-entrant angles D are ornamented with small scrolls. Upon the front of the handle the base A has its middle part slightly sunken, and ornamented with a scroll-work, F, upon a stippled surface.

The middle portion G of the upper part C of the handle is made plain, is slightly convexed, has its upper part made elliptical, and its lower part tapered to a point. The portion of the part C beneath and at the sides of the pointed lower part of the space G is slightly sunken, and is ornamented with a scroll-work, H, upon a stippled surface. The portion of the part C above and at the sides of the upper part of the space G is slightly sunken, and is ornamented by a scroll-work, I, upon a stippled surface, and expanding from the upper end of the said space G. This construction gives the appearance of a bead around the part C and the space G.

Upon the back of the handle the base A has a bead, J, formed upon it, which bead is made in somewhat the shape of an inverted W. The

part B has a rounded longitudinal groove, K, formed in it. The lower and middle portions L of the part C are made plain. Upon the upper portion of the part C, above and at the sides of the upper part of the space L, is formed a scroll-work, M, upon a stippled surface. The part C is surrounded with a bead, N, and the upper part of the space L is surrounded with a bead, O.

Having thus fully described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. A design for a spoon or fork handle, in which the base A is made slightly tapering, and with shoulders at its upper ends, the middle part B is made slightly flaring, and in the form of three parallel rounded beads, the upper part C is made with its side edges slightly curved outward and inward with a sharper curve, and again outward and inward until they meet, forming a salient angle, E, and two re-entrant angles, D, which are ornamented with small scrolls, substantially as herein shown and described.

2. A design for the front of a spoon or fork handle, in which the base A is ornamented with a scroll-work, F, in a sunken stippled surface, which has a plain surface, G, in the middle of its upper part C, made elliptical in its upper part and pointed in its lower part, having a scroll-work, H, upon a sunken stippled surface below and at the sides of its lower pointed part, and having a scroll-work, I, formed upon a sunken stippled surface above and upon the sides of the upper part of the space G, substantially as herein shown and described.

3. A design for the back of a spoon or fork handle, in which the base A is ornamented by a bead, J, the middle part with a rounded longitudinal groove, K, having the lower and middle portions L of its upper part made plain, having a scroll-work, M, formed upon a sunken stippled surface above and upon the sides of the upper ends of the space L, and having the part C and the upper end of the space L surrounded with the beads N O, substantially as herein shown and described.

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