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Fig. 1.

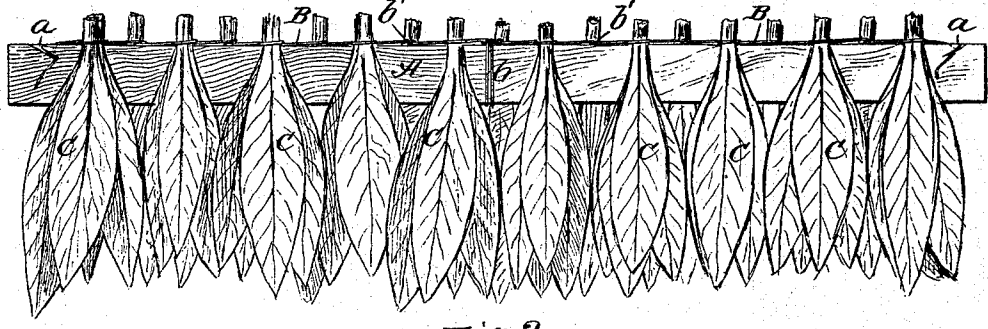


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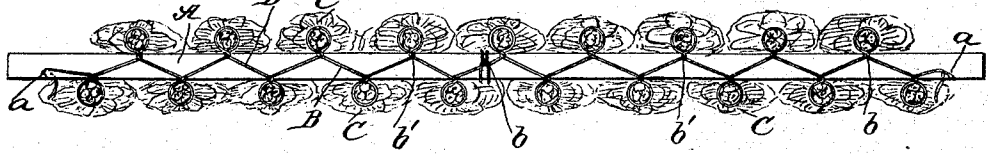


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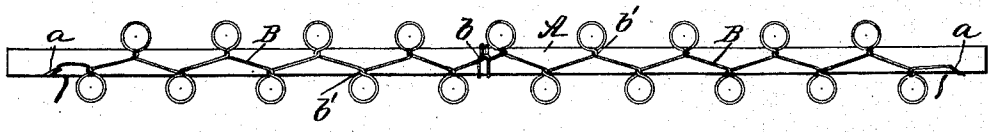
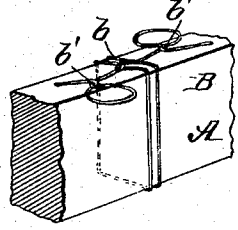


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PLEASANT B. FARMER, of Laurel Grove, in the county of Pittsylvania and State of Virginia, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Methods of Hanging Tobacco, of which the following is a specification.

My invention is an improvement in the hanging of tobacco; and it consists in the method hereinafter described, comprising, essentially, securing a cord to the tobacco-stick, passing it around a bundle of tobacco placed against one side of such stick, twisting the cord between the bundle and stick, passing the cord thence to the opposite side of the stick, looping it around a bundle of tobacco on the said side of the stick, twisting the cord between such bundle and stick, carrying the cord to the opposite side of the stick, and so on, as will be more fully described hereinafter.

In the accompanying drawings, which illustrate the manner of carrying out my invention, Figure 1 is a side view of a stick with the tobacco held according to my improved method. Fig. 2 is a top plan view thereof. Fig. 3 is a top plan view of a tobacco-stick, showing the binding-cord in diagrammatic form, the tobacco bundles being omitted. Fig. 4 illustrates the manner of securing the binding-cord at the middle of the stick.

My invention is an improvement in the method of securing the tobacco bundles to the stick, and seeks to provide a construction by which the bundles may be quickly secured and will be firmly held.

I shall proceed to describe my method as illustrated in the accompanying drawings.

The stick or table A is an ordinary stick provided near its ends with kerfs or nicks *a*, into which the ends of the binding-cord may be pressed to hold the same. The cord B, of proper length, is secured at its middle *b* to the middle of the stick A, preferably in the manner shown in Fig. 4, leaving the cord free at both ends, so it may serve to secure the bundles on opposite sides of the center of such stick. Manifestly, however, the cord may be secured to the stick in other ways or at different points. One end of the string being secured, the cord

is looped around a bundle C of tobacco. The cord is then twisted at *b'*, causing it to completely encircle and bind the bundle firmly, so that it cannot possibly escape so long as the cord is tightly secured. From this twist *b'* the cord is carried across the stick, and is passed around a bundle C on the opposite side of the stick, is twisted at *b'* between said bundle and stick, and is then carried back across the stick, and so on, alternately securing bundles on opposite sides of the stick and binding each of such bundles independently and in such manner that it will not become released so long as the cord is held taut. Now, it will be seen that by my method I dispose the cord, secured at one end, alternately around bundles arranged on opposite sides of the stick, so that the bundles may be secured and supported on the stick by the resting of the cord on the stick without any special construction on the stick for engagement by the string. After the string has been carried around the series of bundles it is secured by pressing it near its free end into the nick or kerf *a* of the stick, such construction forming a convenient fastening.

It will be seen that a distinctive feature of my invention is the twisting of the cord between the bundle and the stick, as such feature results in a complete encircling of the bundle, so that it may be securely bound independently of any particular construction of the stick.

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

The improved method of securing depending tobacco bundles to their supporting-sticks, which consists in securing the binding-cord to the stick, passing it thence around a bundle arranged at one side of the stick, twisting the cord between the bundle and the stick, extending it thence across the stick, passing it around a bundle on the opposite side of the stick, twisting it between said bundle and stick, carrying it thence across the stick, and so on, substantially as set forth.

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