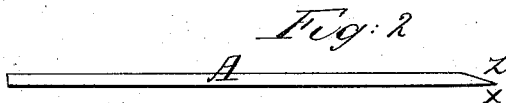
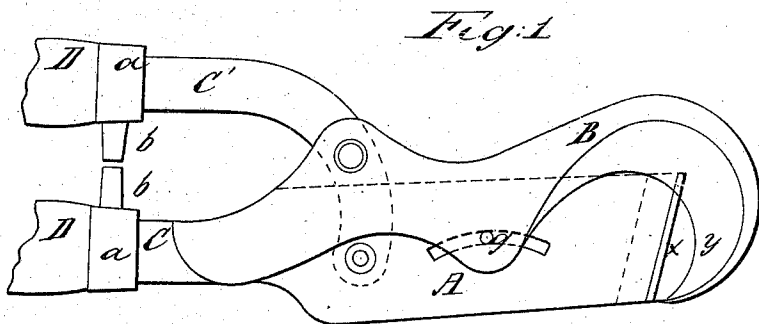


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IMPROVEMENT IN PRUNING-HOOKS.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, D. B. SEELEY, of Sterling, in the county of Whitesides and in the State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pruning-Hooks; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

The nature of my invention consists in the formation and construction of a knife for pruning-hooks, as will hereafter be fully set forth and described.

Figure 1 is a side elevation of my knife.

Figure 2 is an edge view of the same.

Letter D represents the handles of my hook, upon the ends of which are placed the rings *a*, which are provided with the stops *b*, so as to regulate the distance the handles are to close.

Upon the end of the shank C is formed the hook B, which is pivoted to the shank C, and has a projection or screw upon one side, which extends through the circular slot *g*, formed in the side of the knife A.

To the end of the shank C is attached the knife A, which is made to move back and forth, by the opening and closing of the handles, guided in its movement by the projection on the side of the hook B.

This knife has two bevels, *z* and *x*, formed upon its end, one of which is longer than the other.

For cutting purposes, the long bevel *z*, and the sharp edge *y*, formed on the hook, are sufficient, but then the hook has to be either formed of or faced with steel, or else the knife will wear it away.

By forming the second bevel *x*, the edge of the knife does not touch the hook, and so I am enabled to form the entire hook B of iron, which makes the cost considerably less, and which also takes off the side pressure, by equalizing the draft, thus causing the knife to cut much more easily.

Having thus described my invention,

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The knife A, provided with the circular slot *g*, and having the bevels *z* and *x* formed upon its end, in combination with the handles D, stops *b*, and hook B, when all are combined to form a pruning-hook, substantially as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing, I have hereunto set my hand this 10th day of March, 1869.

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