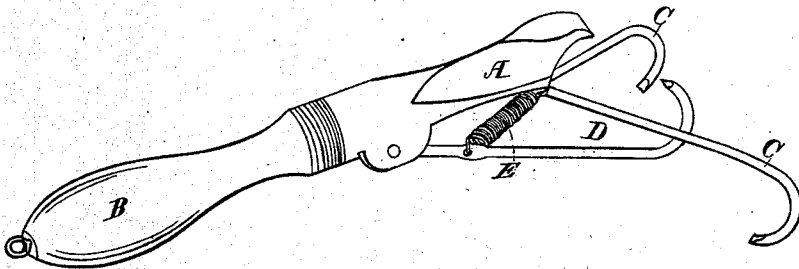


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## IMPROVED LID AND PLATE-LIFTER, AND POT-HOOK.

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, THOMAS SIMPSON, of Newark, in the county of Licking and in the State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combined Lid and Plate-Lifter, and Pot-Hook; 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 making a part of this specification.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction and arrangement of a "combined lid and plate-lifter, and pot-hook," as will be hereinafter fully set forth.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawing, which represents a perspective view of my instrument.

A represents a cast-iron stove-lid lifter of the usual form, provided with a socket at its upper end, for the insertion of the wooden handle B.

Two hooks, C C, of heavy wire, are cast solid into the head of the lifter, and a similar hook, D, is pivoted between two ears, *a a*, on the under side of the lifter,

this swinging hook D being connected with the front hooks C C, by means of a spiral spring, E.

The lifter, thus constructed, may be used for lifting hot plates or anything of the kind, the swinging hook readily adjusting itself to any sized plate.

The swinging hook D may also be used for a pot-hook.

In place of the spiral spring E, any other spring may be substituted, when it is so arranged as to throw the swinging hook forward; or the spring may be entirely dispensed with.

Having thus fully described my invention,

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is--

The combination of the lifter A, handle B, stationary hooks C C, and swinging hook D, all constructed and arranged as described, with or without a spring, E, substantially as and for the purposes herein set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing, I have hereunto set my hand this 22d day of January, 1870.

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