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WICK TRIMMER.

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Fig. 1.

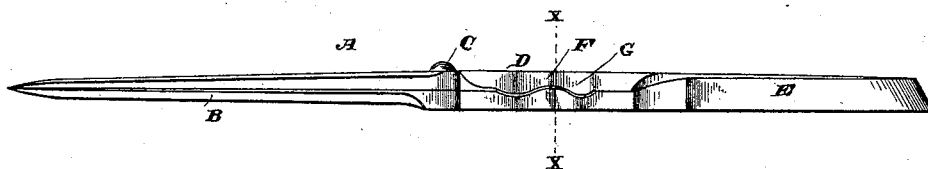


Fig. 4.

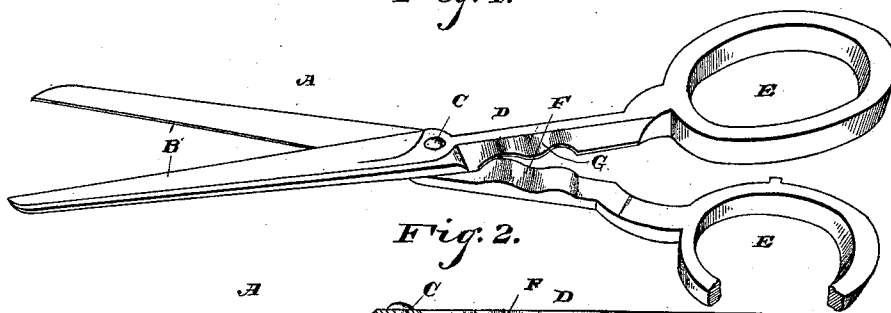


Fig. 2.

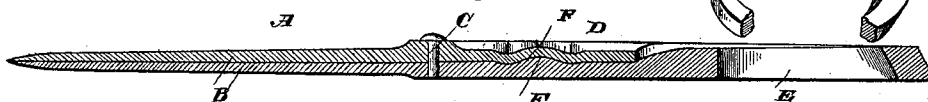
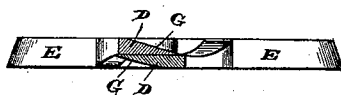


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, VANSANDT MORGAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Winamac, in the county of Pulaski and State of Indiana, have invented a new and useful Wick-
5 Trimmer, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to wick-trimmers, and has for its object to combine with an ordinary pair of scissors a wick-trimming device which will trim the wick in such a manner as to spread the light to the right and left as well as to throw the same into a compact flame, which will give more light from the wick than from the wicks trimmed in the ordinary manner; and to this end the invention consists in providing a pair of scissors intermediate of the point of pivot and the thumb and finger holes with corrugated cutting-edges arranged and constructed in the manner hereinafter more fully described, illustrated, and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is an edge view of a pair of wick-trimming scissors constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view of the same. Fig. 3 is a transverse section on the line $x x$ of Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of a pair of scissors constructed in accordance with my invention.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, A designates a pair of scissors constructed in the usual manner and comprising the ordinary blades B, pivoted at C, and having the

shank portions D extending beyond the point of pivot and terminating in the usual thumb and finger holes E. The meeting faces of the shanks D of the scissors intermediate of the point of pivot and the operating-loops are provided with oppositely-corrugated surfaces F, which are corrugated at a slight angle in order to insure an easy manipulation and so that the registering corrugations may slide and work easily over each other. The outer faces of the shanks D are oppositely beveled along one edge, as at G, to form cutting-edges, which, as the same come together, cut the wick and cause the same to be trimmed in a wavy and undulating line. Assaid, by trimming the wick in this manner the light is spread to the right and left and throws the flame down into a compact body, which emanates an increased light area.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

In a wick-trimmer, the blades provided with oppositely-corrugated meeting faces forming undulating cutting-edges intermediate of the point of pivot, and the thumb and finger holes, substantially as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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