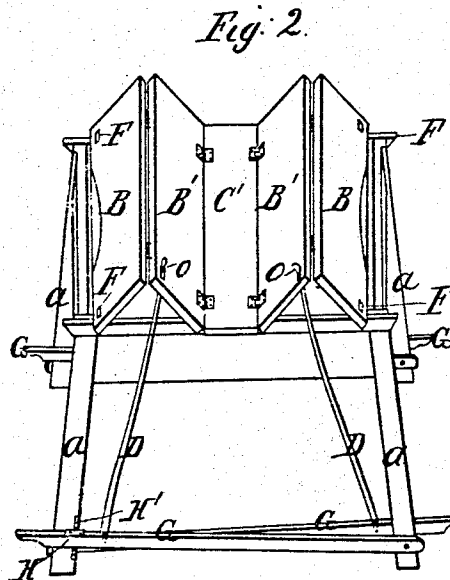
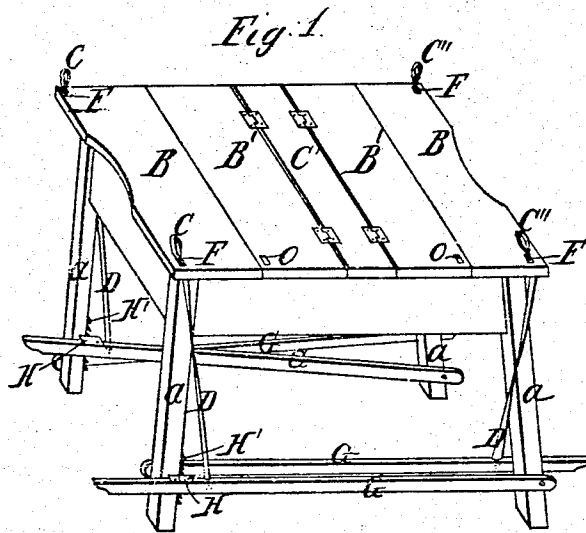


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*Sheep Shearing Table.*

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## IMPROVEMENT IN SHEEP-SHEARING TABLE.

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

Be it known that I, D. L. CADY, of Mason, Ingham county, Michigan, have invented a new and improved Sheep-Shearing Table; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1, in the drawings, represents my invention in perspective, the table being arranged ready for the sheep to be sheared.

Figure 2 shows the table arranged ready for the sheep to be "tagged."

This invention has for its object to furnish a simple and effective means for securing a sheep upon a suitable table, in a manner enabling the shearer to operate advantageously, while the position of the sheep is easy, and danger of tearing the fleece is avoided.

This invention has also for its object to furnish a simple means for securing a sheep in a position upon the table, to allow "tags" to be readily removed from it.

I construct and use my invention in the following manner:

I first make a strong table, supported by four legs, *a a*.

The top consists of two double leaves, *B B'*, the two inner ones, *B' E'*, being hinged to a board, *C'*, which is secured to the top of the table, in the middle thereof. The outer leaves *B B* are hollowed out, as shown in the drawings, to admit the workman closer to his work.

The sheep is laid upon the table, on its side, and to secure it, two of its legs, which lie under, or all of them, are put through loops *C C*, in the straps *D D*, which extend up through the mortises *F F*, in the table-leaves *B B*.

The lower ends of the straps are secured to the

treadles *G G*, which are pivoted to the legs of the table, and are provided with plates *H H*, which engage with notched plates *H' H'*, on the table-legs.

Placing the treadles in the lowest notches they can be got, holds the sheep's legs close to the table, and it cannot move.

When the sheep is half sheared, it must be turned over, its legs being secured in the loops *C' C'* in the same manner as in the first instance.

Fig. 2, in the drawings, shows the table arranged for "tagging" sheep.

The inner leaves *B' B'* are turned up rather more than half way to a perpendicular.

The leaves *B B* serve to brace the inner ones, and must be secured in such a position as they are desired to remain in, by a hook, or otherwise.

The sheep is placed upon its back in the trough, and its hind legs are secured in the loops, and held by the treadles *G G*, in the manner hereinbefore shown.

The relative sizes of the leaves of the table, as well as the size of the table itself, will be comprehended by taking into consideration the uses for which they are respectively designed.

Having thus fully described my invention,

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

The double leaves *B B'*, having mortises *F F*, the middle board *C'*, straps *D D*, having loops *C C*, the levers *G G*, having plates *H*, and the notched plates *H'*, on the legs *a a*, all made to operate substantially as and for the purpose herein specified.

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