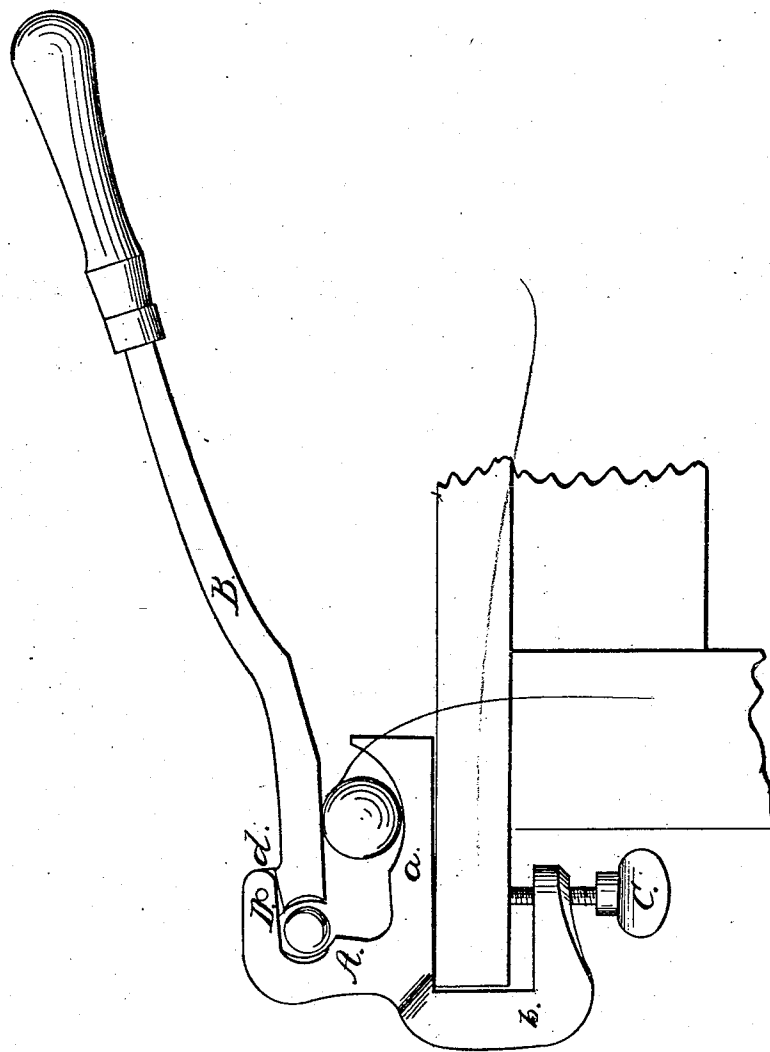


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IMPROVED NUT-CRACKER.

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, CHARLES HAYDEN, of Collinsville, in the county of Hartford, and State of Connecticut, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Nut-Crackers; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which the figure shows a side elevation of my improved device attached to a table.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

This invention relates to improvements in nut-crackers, whereby it is designed to provide a more effective and useful article than those now in use.

It consists in providing one of the jaws with a clamp, whereby it may be firmly clamped to a table, in a stationary position, and in providing two different points of application between the jaws, one for small and one for large nuts, as will be more fully described on reference to the accompanying drawings, wherein—

A represents the stationary jaw, provided with the brackets *a* and *b*, and with a set-screw, C, whereby it may be clamped to a table or bench.

B represents the movable handle, provided with an ear, *d*, and pivoted by it to the bent portion D of the stationary jaw, in a manner to admit the end of the handle to act in conjunction with the portion of the stationary jaw immediately under the bent portion D, for cracking small nuts, the parts between which the nut is clamped being slightly concaved.

The bracket *a* is provided with a curved recess near the end, wherein nuts of large size may be cracked.

It will be easily seen that a nut-cracker constructed as above described can be used with much greater ease and effect than those of ordinary construction.

Having thus described my invention,

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

The nut-cracker, consisting of the stationary jaw A and pivoted lever B, when the former is made with extensions *a b* D, and provided with the clamping-screw C, substantially as herein shown and described.

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