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HUSKING PIN.

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Fig. 1.

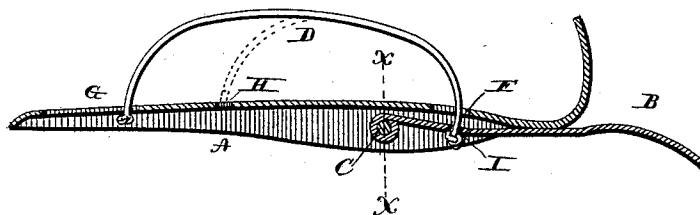


Fig. 2.

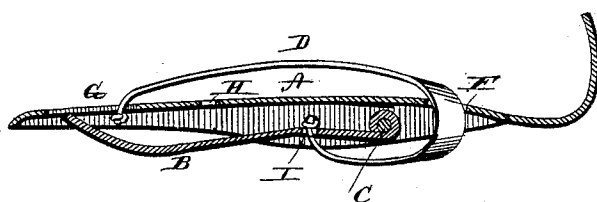


Fig. 3.

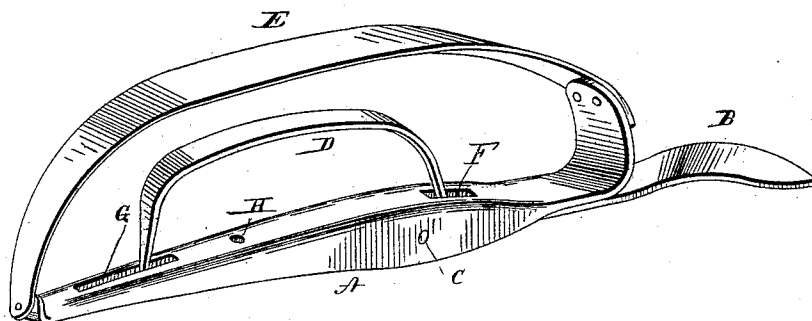
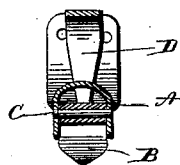


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CORNELIUS ARNOLD, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Raymond, in the county of Montgomery and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Husking-Pins; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a longitudinal central section of my improved husking-pin. Fig. 2 is a similar view with the husking-blade closed. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the same with knuckle-protector attached, and Fig. 4 is a cross-section taken on line *x x* of Fig. 1.

Like letters of reference indicate similar parts in the four figures.

My invention has relation to husking-pins; and it consists in the improved construction and combination of parts, as will be hereinafter fully described, and pointed out in the claims.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, A represents the handle of the pin; B, the husking-blade; C, the pivot for securing the blade to the handle; D, the finger-strap, and E the knuckle-protecting strap, both of which straps are of leather or other suitable pliable material.

The handle is made of metal and is concave on its under side. (See Fig. 4.) One of its ends is bent up so as to form a brace for the forefinger of the husker during the husking operation. At a short distance from this end is formed a slot, F, through which one end of the finger-strap passes, and near the other end is formed a longer slot, G, to receive the other end of said strap and to allow the same to adjust itself to hands of different sizes. Between these slots is formed a hole, H, in which that end of the strap usually placed in the long slot may be secured when only two fingers are to be inserted under said strap. (See dotted lines in Fig. 1.)

The husking-blade is made of a flat strip of metal, one end of which is pointed and twisted to fit the thumb of the husker. At the other end is formed an eye, through which the rivet is passed and secured in the sides of the han-

dle; and near the latter end is formed a hole, I, in which that end of the finger-strap passing through slot F is secured. (See Fig. 1.) By this manner of attachment the blade is kept in operative position as long as the pin is on the hand, it being retained in its closed position by the friction of its eye upon the pivot. The slot F is made long enough to allow the wide portion of the finger-strap to pass through it when the blade is closed. (See Fig. 2.)

The object of having the husking-blade adapted to close is not only that the pin may thus be made shorter and more convenient for carrying in the pocket, but that it may be less dangerous to the person and less destructive to the pocket when so carried.

Through the bent-up end of the handle holes may be made for securing to said end a broad strap, which is also secured to the other end of the handle, and which will protect the knuckles of the husker and assist the bent-up end in protecting the forefinger.

Having thus described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States—

1. A husking-pin consisting of a concave handle having a turned-up end, a slot near said end, a longer slot near the other end and a hole between said slots, a husking-blade pivoted in said handle, and a finger-strap.

2. A husking-pin consisting of a handle having a slot near each end, a husking-blade pivoted to the middle thereof, said blade having a hole through it and having its pointed end twisted, and a finger-strap, one end of which is secured in one slot of the handle and the other passed through the other slot and secured in the hole of the husking-blade.

3. In a husking-pin, the combination of a handle having one end turned up, a husking-blade, a finger-strap, and a knuckle-protecting strap secured to one end of the handle and to the turned-up part at the other end thereof.

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

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