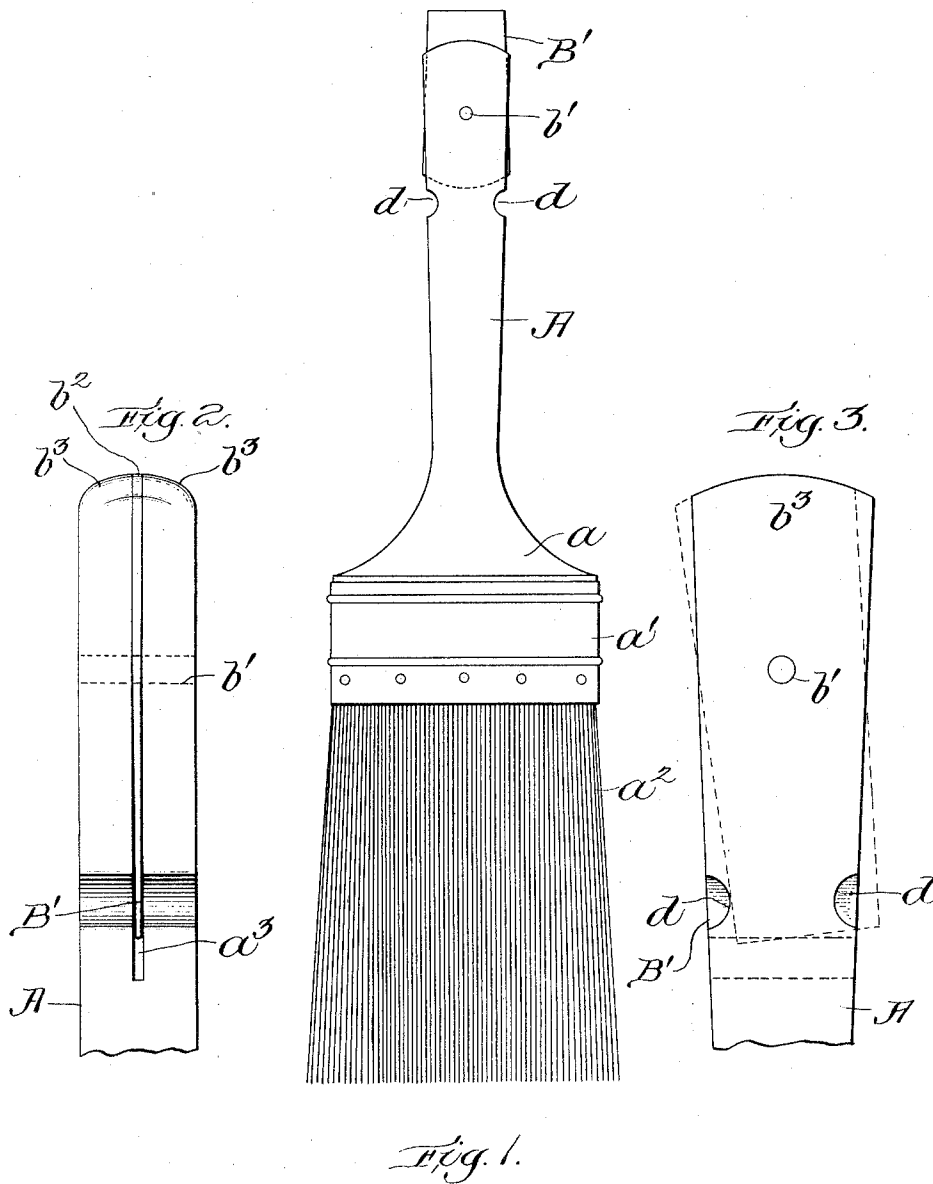


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE D. PUSHEE, of Weston, in the county of Middlesex and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Tool for Painters, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide an efficient and convenient tool for painters used in removing paint, manipulating putty or in wall scraping or in other similar uses, and my invention consists in providing a handle with a recess and pivoting in the recess a blade with an extension which engages the walls of the recess to hold the blade in position when in use.

In the drawings Figure 1 is a side view of a brush embodying my invention; Fig. 2 is an end view of the same enlarged and partly broken away; and Fig. 3 is an enlarged side view of the brush shown in Fig. 1 but partly broken away with the blade shown in dotted lines swung slightly out from its closed position.

The handle A of the tool is weighted at one end and the weight consists of the enlarged portion *a*, the ferrule *a'*, and the bristles *a''*, the ferrule and bristles being attached to the enlargement of the handle and the whole being arranged so that the tool will be balanced in the hand of the user.

At the end of the handle opposite the weighted end is a recess or slit *a'''* which extends through the handle from one side to the other.

The blade B' is pivoted at *b'* so that it may be swung from its closed position in Fig. 2 to its open position in Fig. 1.

Notches *d d* at either side of the handle are provided so that by the finger or otherwise the blade may be swung from its closed po-

sition to the position shown in dotted lines in Fig. 3.

Blade B' has an extension *b''* extending, when the blade is in the closed position, from the pivot *b'* to the end of the handle. This extension is tapered to be thicker at its end than at the pivot for two purposes. One purpose is to completely fill the slit at its open end when the blade is closed so that the two portions *b''' b'''* will be firmly held. Another purpose is to wedge the extension within the slit when the blade is in the open position so that the cutting edge will be firmly held while in use.

In using my tool, for the purposes mentioned or for similar purposes, the blade may be swung from the closed position to the position shown in dotted lines in Fig. 3 by pressing the user's finger in one of the notches or any convenient tool may be used for this purpose. The blade may then be seized and swung into the open position where it will be clamped by reason of the extension being wedged within the slit. When the blade is not in use it can be swung back into the handle from either side.

What I claim is:

A tool having a handle provided with a terminal slot, a blade pivoted in said slot, one end of said blade being entirely within the slot in either the closed or extended position of the blade, said end of the blade being thicker than the other end of the blade and coöperating with the walls of the slot to hold the blade in either of its extended positions.

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