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Fig. 1.

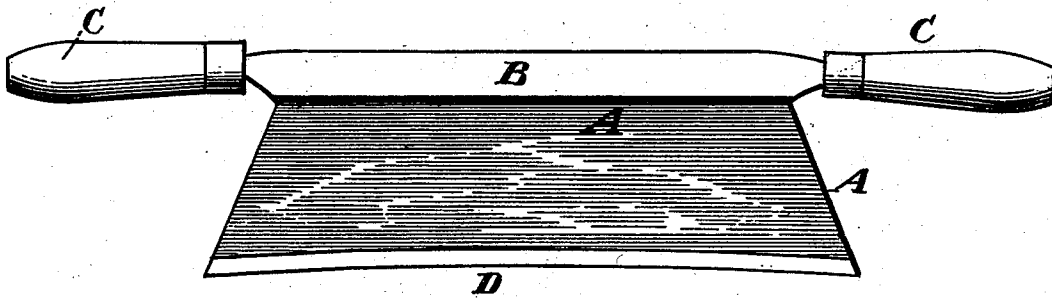
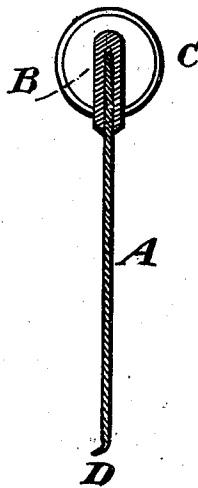


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM F. LAWLEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Kennedy, in the county of Lamar and State of Alabama, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Tanners' Tools; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The invention relates to tanners' tools and consists in a tanner's shaving flesher constructed with a thin blade with concave edge, preferably from nine to sixteen inches long and from three to four inches wide, with a stiff back and with two handles in line with the back so that the shaver may be operated with both hands.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a plan view of the tool as an entirety, and Fig. 2 a cross-section thereof, to show the concave edge.

In the drawings, A represents the blade which is made of the best steel so as to carry a keen edge and provided with a stiff back B which is extended on each side into the grips or handles C C.

D represents the concave edge which enables the tool to be held vertically when in use and not flatwise as a razor is used.

The great practical advantage obtained by

this tool for shaving the hide is that it does not require an expert to operate it, but may be operated by any unskilled individual after being once told how to hold it. The ordinary currier's tool can only be used successfully by one who is skilled and practiced in working it, while any man with good common sense can work with mine without any trouble.

Another practical advantage of my tanner's shaving flesher is that it may be conveniently employed upon the common breaking beam with greater convex surface than the old style beam for currying knife.

The special object of my tanner's tool is to shave the hide before putting it into the "tan-ooze," whereby much unnecessary tanning is avoided.

Having thus described all that is necessary to a full understanding of my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to protect by Letters Patent, is—

The described tanner's shaving flesher consisting of the blade A having the stiff back B, handles C C and concave edge D, all substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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