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Fig. 1 -

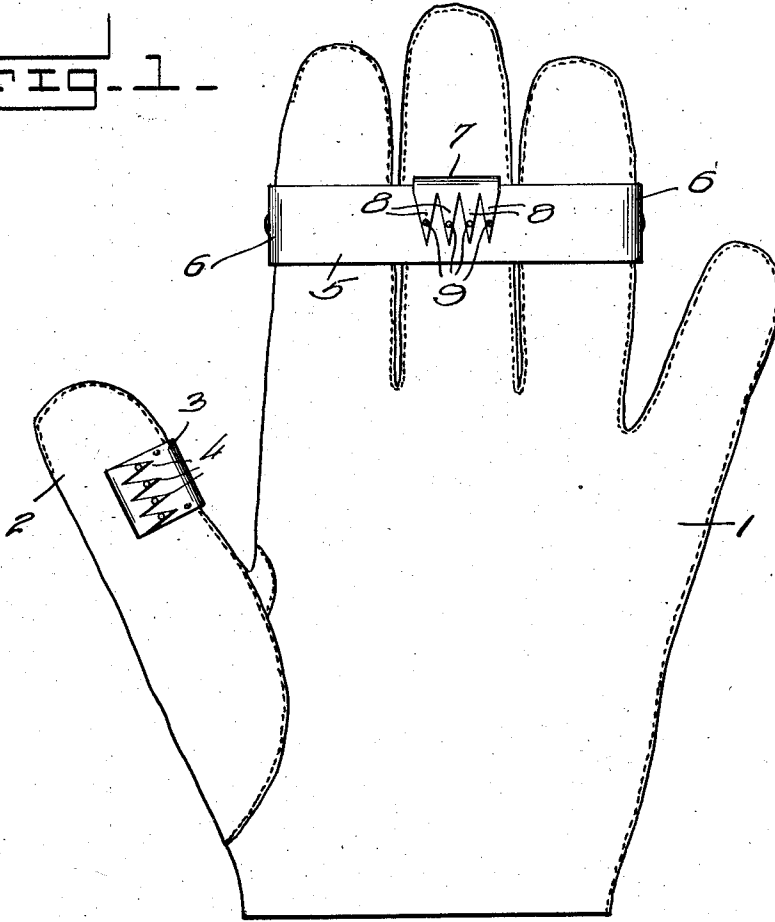


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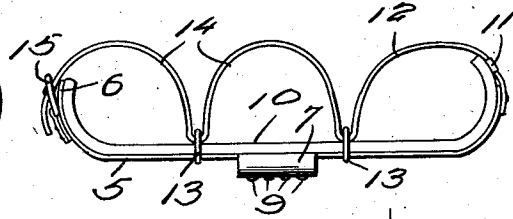
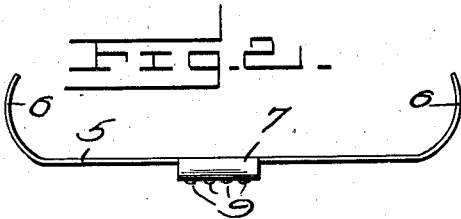


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Fig. 5 -

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILBER L. STALLARD, a citizen of the United States, residing at Brook, in the county of Newton and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Corn-Huskers, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in corn huskers, and has for its leading object the provision of an improved simple and efficient device which may be either secured to an ordinary husking mitten or glove or may be fitted directly upon the hand of the user and which will serve to efficiently and satisfactorily engage the husks after the same have been split off the ears of corn.

The further object of my invention is the provision of an improved structure of plate for engaging the fingers and for engaging the thumb of the user, which will be so disposed as to satisfactorily grasp the thumb and fingers to prevent accidental displacement of the two portions thereof when in use.

Other objects and advantages of my improved corn husking device will be readily apparent by reference to the following description taken in connection with the accompanying drawings and it will be understood that I may make any modifications in the specific structure shown and described within the scope of my claims without departing from or exceeding the spirit of my invention.

Figure 1 represents a face view of a husking glove equipped with my devices. Fig. 2 represents a plan view of the finger engaging plate. Fig. 3 represents a top plan view of a device adapted to be either slipped directly on the hand or to be slipped over the fingers of a husking glove, and Fig. 4 represents an edge view of the thumb piece.

In the drawings, the numeral 1 designates an ordinary husking glove, around the thumb of which fits the curved plate 3 curving across the front and a portion of the back of the thumb and having the reversely bent teeth 4 for engaging corn husks. Passing across the fingers of the husking glove and suitably secured thereto is a second plate 5 having curved end portions 6 extending around the sides of the forefinger and left finger of the glove, said plate having a central downwardly bent tongue 7 at

its upper edge formed with engaging teeth 8 having bosses 9 formed therein to prevent said teeth from biting into and tearing the corn when the teeth engage the husks.

In the modified construction of my device, instead of securing the plate 5 to a husking glove or mitten, I line the same with the strip of leather 10 which extends beyond the curved ends 6 of the plate and has the strip 11 cut therefrom beneath which pass the ends of the strap 12 which is riveted to the curved portion 6 of the plate 5. Wire loops 13 pass through the leather strip 10 and across the face of the plate 5 to secure the plate tightly to the said leather strip, said wires providing guide loops 14 on the rear of the leather strip 10 beneath which the strap 12 is passed, the strap 12 thus being held in a plurality of loops adapted to receive the various fingers of the hand and a buckle 15 being secured to one end of the plate to allow of tightening of the strap to firmly fasten the device in position on the hand of the user thereof. When the device is thus used the glove being dispensed with, I preferably secure the thumb plate 3 to a suitable thumb stall for retaining the same in position.

From the foregoing description taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, the construction of my improved corn husking device will be readily understood, and in the use of the same the husk of the corn is first split by suitable peg on one hand of the user and the other hand is then drawn over the corn, the teeth 4 and 8 grasping the husks and facilitating the drawing of the husks off of the corn.

It will thus be seen that I have provided a thoroughly efficient and simple device of this character which will thoroughly commend itself to all as a highly desirable article.

I claim:

1. A husking device, comprising a plate adapted to extend across the front of a hand and having curved ends for fitting around the sides of the hand, said plate having a reversely bent tongue projecting from its upper edge and formed with downwardly projecting teeth, bosses formed on said teeth adjacent their pointed ends to prevent said teeth from biting into and tearing the corn during the husking operation.

2. The combination with a plate having curved ends to fit around the front and sides of the fingers, said plate having a reversely

bent toothed tongue projecting from its upper edge, of a leather strip secured to the under side of the plate and forming a lining therefor, said strip having guide portions cut to project upward above the plane of its ends, a strap adjustably engaged in the said guides and secured to the ends of the plate, and wires engaging intermediate portions of the strap and passing through the strip and around the plate to hold the

plate, strip and strap together and form the strap into finger engaging loops, and bosses formed upon the teeth of said tongue, as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature, 15  
in the presence of two witnesses.

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