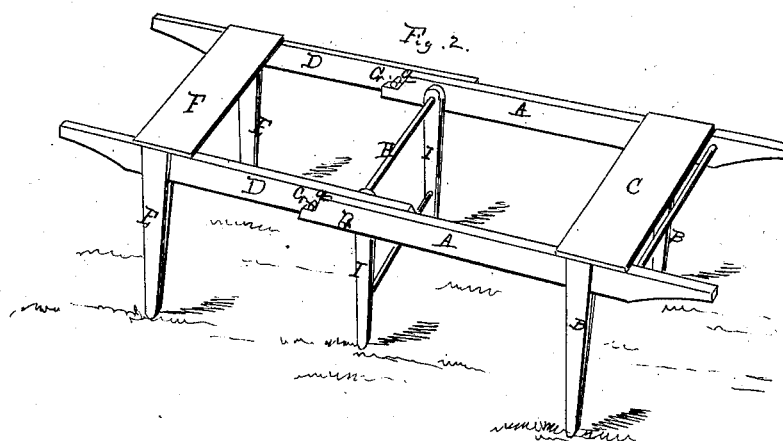
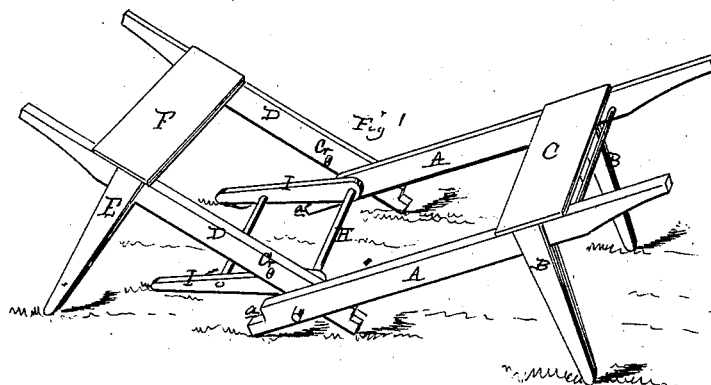


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## IMPROVEMENT IN CORN-HUSKING BENCHES.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

### *To whom it may concern :*

Be it known that I, JOEL E. DRAPER, of Northville, in the county of Wayne and State of Michigan, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Corn-Husking Bench; and I do declare that the following is a true and accurate description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing and to the letters of reference marked thereon and being a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 shows my device in perspective, in position to receive a "shock" or bundle of corn-stalks.

Figure 2 is a perspective, in position for the operators to work.

Like letters indicate like parts in each figure.

The nature of this invention relates to an adjustable bench or table, to be employed more particularly in husking corn in the field after the stalks have been cut and put into shocks.

The invention consists in the combination and arrangement of its several parts, constructed as more fully hereinafter described.

In the accompanying drawing—

A represents two parallel bars, each provided with rigidly-secured legs B.

The inner ends of these bars are halved out, as shown at *a*, or they may be provided with hooks.

A seat, C, is secured to the top of these bars, as shown.

D are two other parallel bars, similarly constructed, and provided with legs E and seat F.

Instead, however, of being halved out at their inner ends, they are provided with lugs or pins G.

A bolt or rod, H, pivots the two sets of bars together, and upon this rod, at each end, are pivoted the braces or legs I.

The device thus constructed is placed by the side of a shock of corn, the legs I being turned up out of the way, when the device assumes the position shown in fig. 1, the center resting upon the ground, when the shock may be turned over onto the center of the bench.

The operator then bears down upon the outer ends of the bars A, the legs B acting as a fulcrum, when the halved-out ends of said bars engage with the pins G, and the bench is raised to the position shown in fig. 2, with the shock imposed upon it, the pivoted legs I assuming a vertical position to sustain it.

It will be seen that this device can be readily removed from shock to shock, while the work will be materially decreased by having the shock on the same level with the seats occupied by the operators.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination of the section A B C, the section D E F, and the braces I, the several parts being constructed, arranged, connected, and operated substantially as described and shown, for the purposes set forth.

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