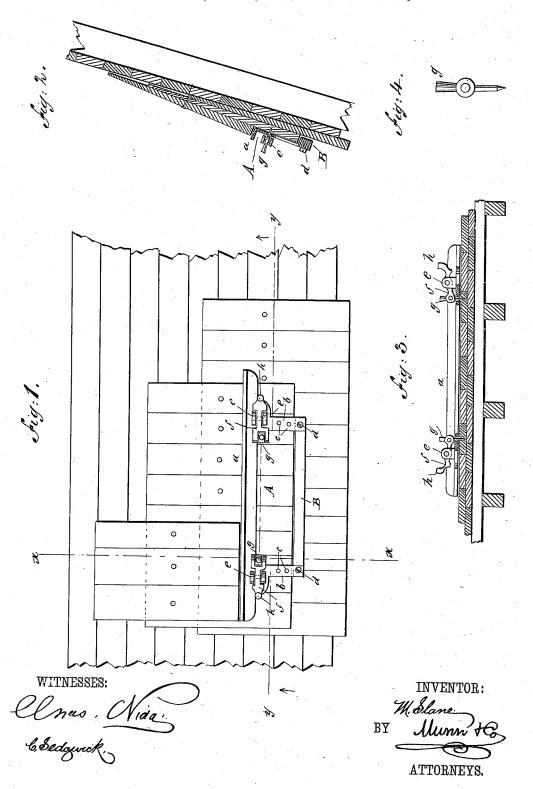
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, McGuire Slane, of La Cinta, in the county of San Miguel and Territory of New Mexico, have invented a new and Improved Shingling-Gage, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the annexed drawings, forming a part thereof, in which-

Figure 1 is a plan view of my improved to shingling gage, showing it in the position of use. Fig. 2 is a transverse section taken on line x x in Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal section taken on line y y in Fig. 1, and Fig. 4 is a detail view of one of the retaining points.

Similar letters of reference indicate corre-

sponding parts in all the views.

The object of my invention is to construct a gage for the use of shinglers, which will enable them to lay a large number of shingles without 20 shifting their position on the roof.

My invention consists in a gage provided with pointed retaining pins which may be inserted in or withdrawn from the shingles by a

blow of a hammer.

The body A of the gage is formed of an angled bar, a, having arms b, provided with series of equidistant apertures c. To the arms b is secured a bar, B, by screws d, which pass through the apertures c of the arms b and screw into 30 the bar B. The arms b, near their juncture with the bar a, are provided with ears e, between which are pivoted the levers f. The inner ends of the levers f are forked to receive the pointed pins g, which are pivoted in the 35 said levers and extend downward through holes in the arms b. The upper ends of the

pins g are enlarged, to adapt them to receive

a blow of a hammer, and the outer ends of the

levers f are provided with raised surfaces hfor receiving the blow of a hammer.

In use the bar B is placed against the buttends of a row of shingles, and the bar a projects over the said row of shingles a distance equal to the space between the lower ends of the shingles. The pins g are then driven 45 in, and the butt-ends of the shingles of the new row are placed against the angled bar a and fastened by nails in the usual way. After laying as many shingles as can be laid with the gage in one position, the pins g are withdrawn 50 by striking the outer ends of the levers f. The gage A is then placed in a new position, and the shingling proceeds as before. The distance between the bars a and B may be adjusted by placing the screws d in different holes c.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. In a shingling gage, the combination, with the bar a, provided with arms b, of the bar B, arranged to abut against the row of shingles, 60 the levers f, adapted to receive the blows of a hammer, and the pointed pins g, pivoted in and projecting above the levers, substantially

as described.

2. In a shingling gage, the combination of the 65 body A, consisting of the angled bar a, provided with the apertured arms b, projecting at right angles therefrom, the levers f, pivoted in ears projecting from the said arms b, and the pins g, pivoted in the levers f and adapted to 7cbe driven into the shingles, substantially as described.

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