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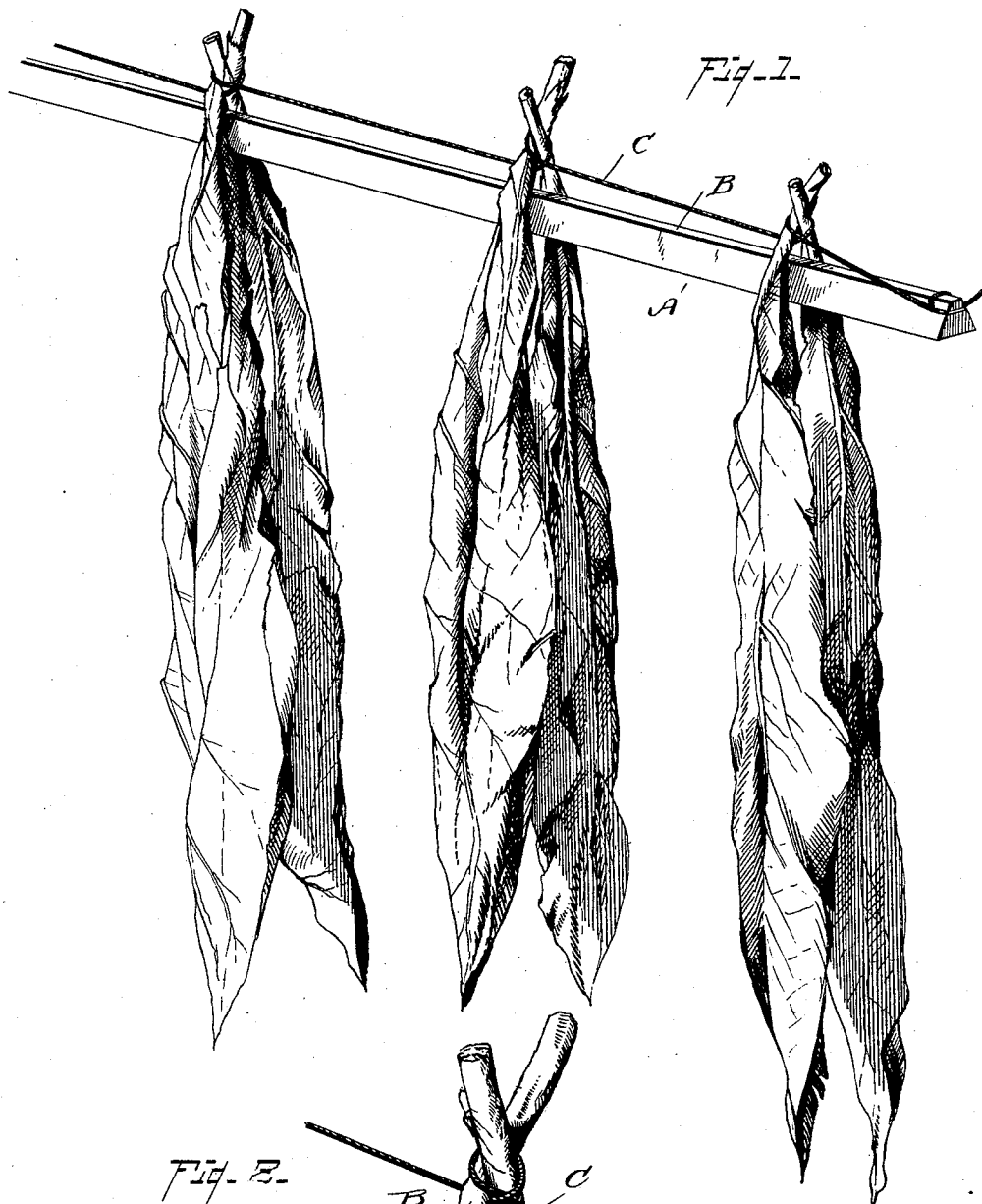
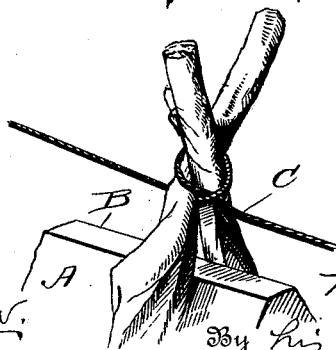


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANKLIN RUDOLPHUS WARREN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Prospect Hill, in the county of Caswell and State of North Carolina, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Methods of Hanging Tobacco; 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.

This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in methods of hanging tobacco-leaves, as will be hereinafter more particularly described, shown in the appended drawings, and then specifically defined in the claim.

The invention is clearly illustrated in the accompanying drawings, which, with the letters of reference marked thereon, form a part of this specification, like letters of reference indicating like parts throughout the several views, and in which drawings—

Figure 1 is a perspective view illustrating the mode of attaching the plants. Fig. 2 is an enlarged detail showing the method of looping the plants.

Reference now being had to the details of the drawings by letter, A designates a tobacco-stick, which is constructed of any suitable material, but preferably of hard wood, and in cross-section is in the form of an isosceles triangle, with the angle which forms the apex of the stick when in position for use truncated, as shown, thus forming the narrow horizontal face B upon the upper face of the stick. One end of the cord C, which is used to secure the tobacco-leaves to the stick, is fastened at the end of the stick in any suitable manner—as, for instance, by forming a slight incision in the wood and inserting the string therein, as I have indicated in the drawings; but this method of securing the string I do not consider essential, as other suitable fastening means may be adopted.

In attaching the leaves I first secure the cord at the end of the stick, as described, and a short distance from the point at which the cord is attached I place two tobacco-leaves, one upon each side of the stick, passing the cord around the stems of the leaves at the point at which they intersect above the apex of the stick. In making this loop care is taken to pass the cord around the stems, after which one leaf is thrown over the cord and stick and the cord is passed through between the intersecting stems and continued to the point at which the next adjacent leaves are to be attached, where the cord is again looped, as in the first instance, and the looping is thus continued to the opposite end of the stick, where the end of the cord is attached to the stick in the manner described, for attaching the opposite end of the cord.

By my method of hanging tobacco as above described the leaves may be quickly and easily secured in place, a single cord serving to hold in place a great number of leaves. The form of the stick is such as to relieve in a great measure the cord from the combined weight of the leaves, the weight being in a great measure sustained by the inclined upper faces of the stick, and the narrow horizontal face B at the apex of the stick serves to avoid frictional contact of the cord with the stick, which might otherwise result in the cutting or breaking of the cord.

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

The herein-described method of hanging tobacco, which consists in attaching one end of a cord to a stick, passing the cord around the stems of the tobacco-leaves, throwing one leaf over the cord and stick, passing the cord through between the intersecting stems, and securing the end of the cord, substantially as shown and described.

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

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