

## SUPPORTER FOR COTTON-PICKERS.

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DESIGNED to be worn by cotton-pickers while at work; and consists of two wooden staffs, having peculiarly constructed foot-rests pivoted at the bottom, and sliding connections near the centre of the same, adapted to act in connec-



FIG. 1.—SUPPORTER FOR COTTON-PICKER.

tion with a waist-belt and shoulder-straps worn by the operator.

The belt A is adjusted around the waist of the cotton-picker, the bands E passing over the shoulders, and the feet fitted into the foot-rests C, the bottoms of the staffs resting upon the ground, so as to bring the bottoms of the feet on a level with its surface. As the wearer passes from one stalk of cotton to another in the different stooping positions taken

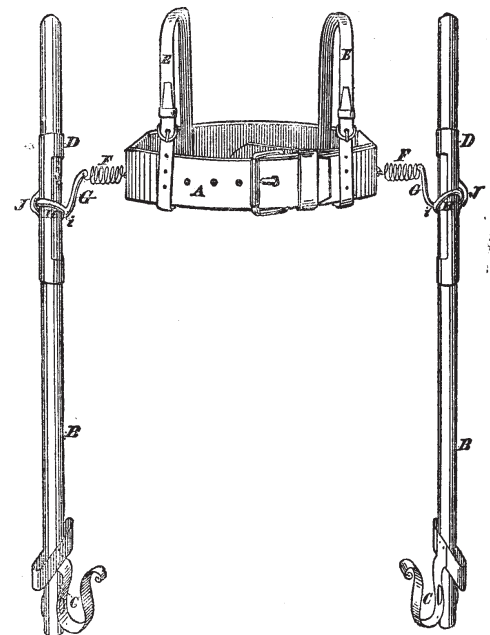


FIG. 2.—SUPPORTER FOR COTTON-PICKER.

while picking, he is supported at any point by throwing the knees outward against the staffs, which action presses the lug *i* into the staff, and holds the operator in a comfortable and easy position, and when he rises to a higher position the action throws the lug *i* off from the staff to admit of the sliding cylinder moving higher to the position desired.