

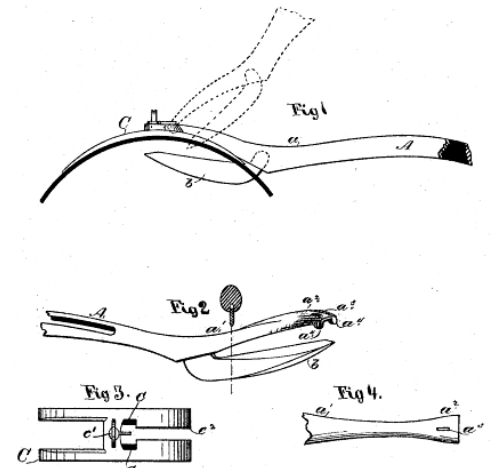
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## Daniel Barnes Can Openers and Pipe Cutters

And Sometimes With A Corkscrew By John Stanley

Daniel A. Barnes of Chicago Illinois patented a combination tool identified as "Can Openers and Pipe Cutters" on October 28, 1873. It was produced as a can opener and could be used a pipe cutter with the help of the guide shown in the patent (an example with the pipe cutter guide has not been found (???).) The examples below have two with "AMERICAN" cut into the handle (marked with the patent date on the underneath side of the handle), one with a hollow cut out handle (unmarked) and then two with a corkscrew (marked with "Pat Apld For" and no patent date.) Corkscrew example was tied to Barnes by Josef L'Africain in 2007.

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CAN OPENERS AND PIPE CUTTERS  
Filed Oct. 22, 1873



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