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[57] **ABSTRACT**

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A rotary cutter having two telescopically related tubes with cutting edges on the distal ends thereof. Handles are attached to the tubes for relative rotation of the tubes and thereby effect cutting by the cutting edges. The cutting edges are circular and overlap each other for shearing cutting action upon rotation.

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