How to remove Drive Gear from Starter

The gear is held in position with a clip and ring at the outer end of the shaft. These both have to be removed.

The gear has to be pushed down or back toward the starter in order to get the clip and ring off.

The best way is:

Remove back cover.

Using a long handled screw driver push plunger shaft (that holds the gear) up and out of the starter. If you put the starter in a vise, then you can push the gear downward to remove the clip and ring.

