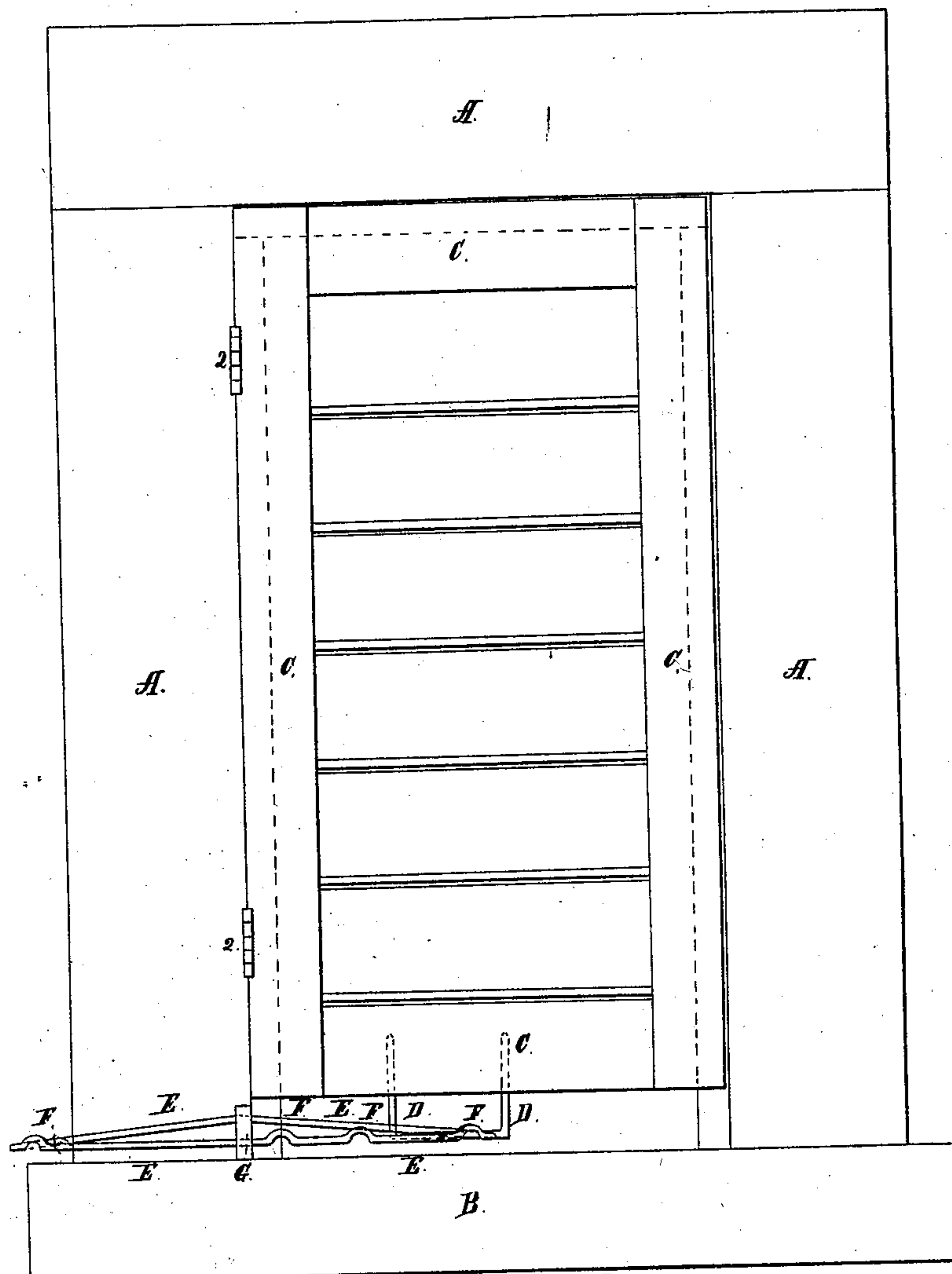


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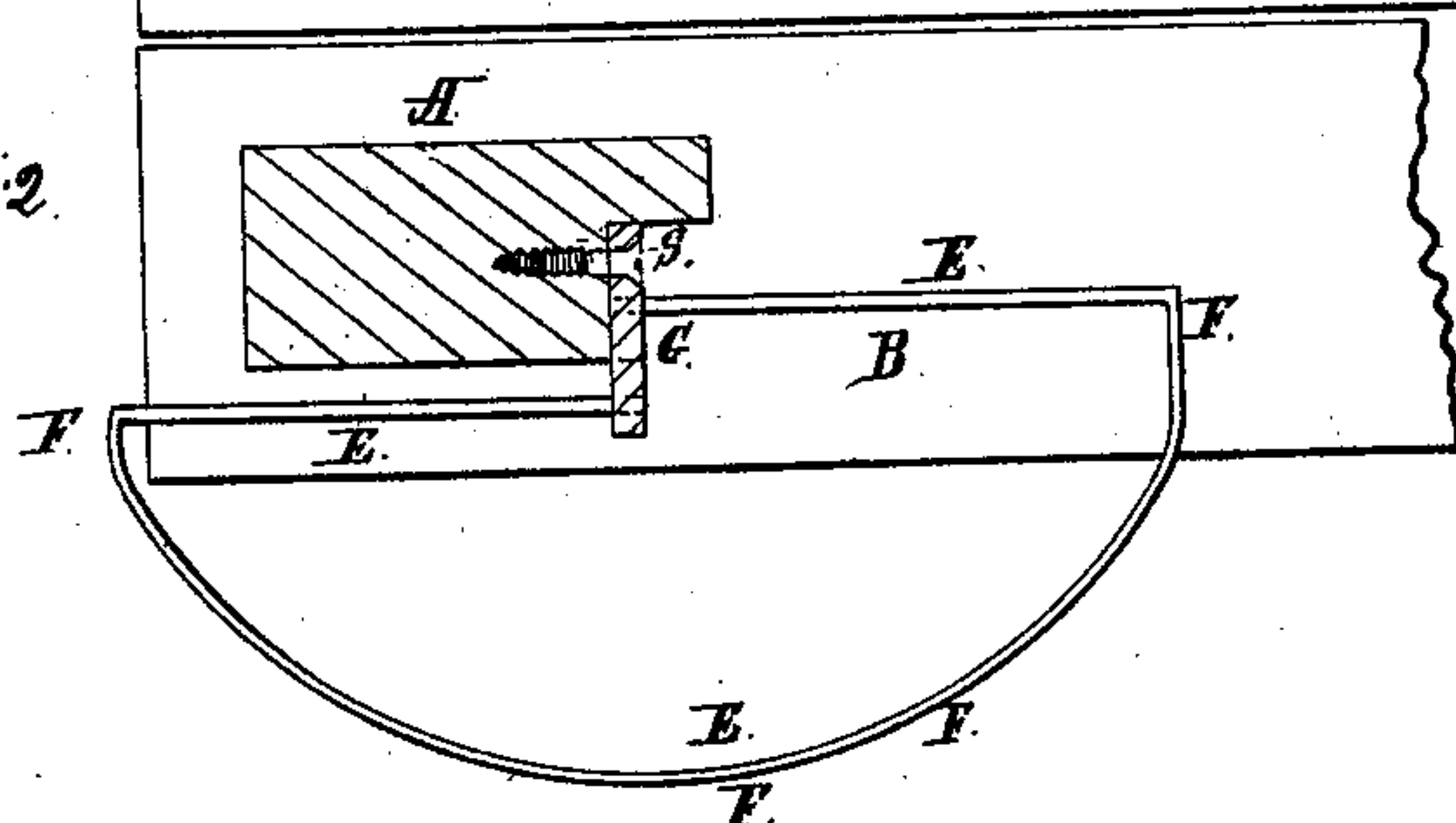
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*Fig. 1*



*Fig. 2*



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MEANS FOR HOLDING WINDOW-BLINDS.

Specification of Letters Patent No. 12,275, dated January 23, 1855.

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HENRY A. FROST, of Worcester, in the county of Worcester and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Fastener for Operating and Fastening Window-Blinds; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 is a perspective view. Fig. 2 is a sectional view.

*a a a* is the frame of the window.

*B* is the sill or bed.

*C C C* is the blind represented as closed.

*D D* is a long staple or its equivalent upon which the spring rests.

*E, E, E, E,* is the spring or fastener which is made of a small rod bent into a form of a semi circle or its equivalent form each end of which terminates in a piece of metal rep-

resented at *G* which is fastened to the window frame by the screw *S*.

*F, F, F, F,* are notches bent in the rod the two at the extremity are to hold the blind when opened or shut by means of the staple *S* on which it rests the other two notches are to hold the blind in a position partly closed the spring causing the semi circle to bear upon the staple at all times.

What I claim as my invention and desire to secure by Letters Patent is—

The application to window blinds of a semi circular spring rod which may bear upon a wide staple beneath the blind which acts upon it at all times as described so that the blind may be returned in any desirable position.

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