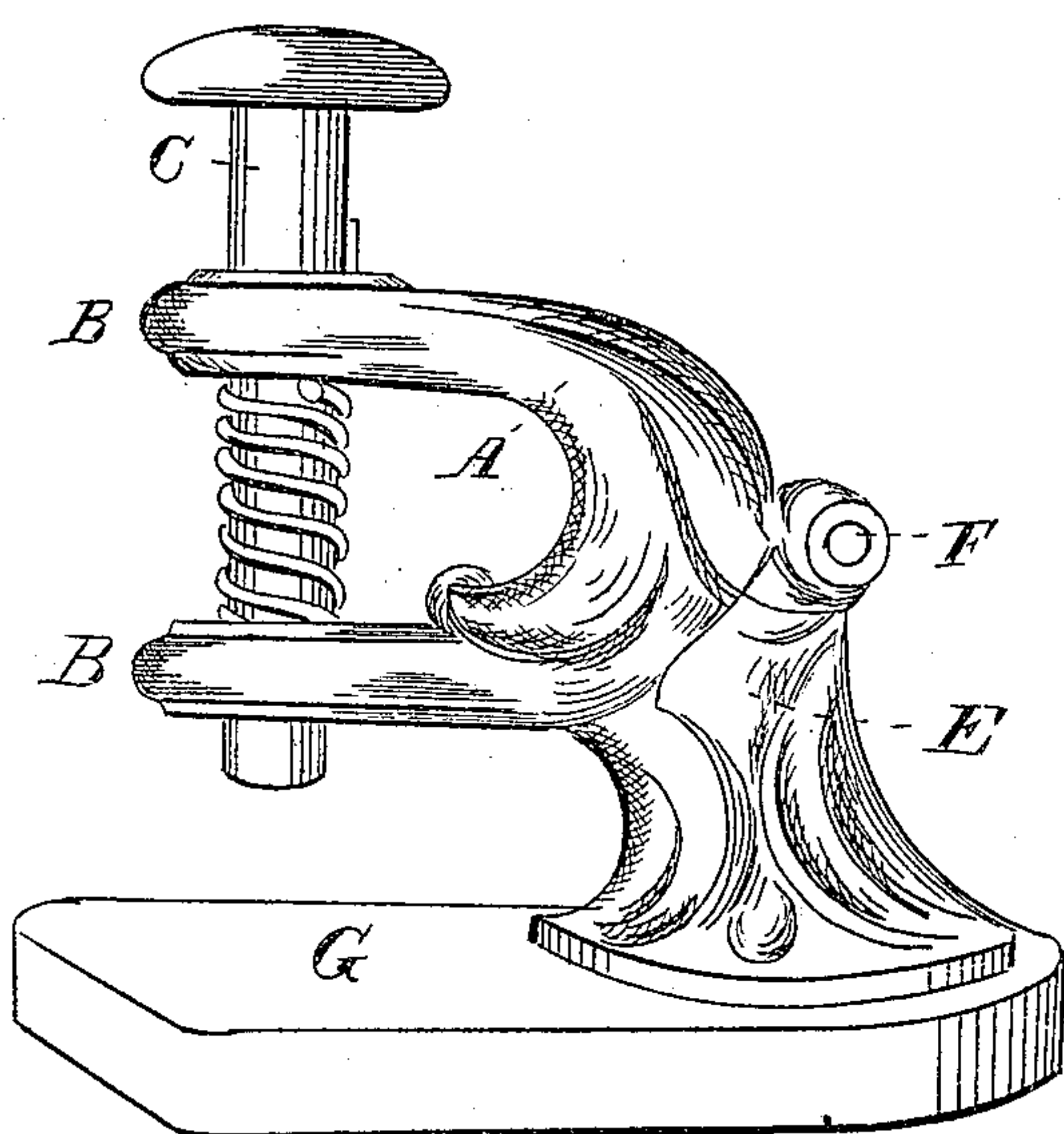


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SEAL AND STAMPING PRESS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDMUND MORRIS, of the city of Trenton, in the State of New Jersey, have invented an Improvement in Seal and Stamping Presses, of which the following is a full and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

10 The difficulty of using the ordinary portable seal press to produce an impression in ink suggested this improvement, which entirely removes that difficulty and adds greatly to the value of that popular imple-
15 ment.

The accompanying drawing is a representation of the improved press.

20 A, is a frame, through the two arms of which at B B, a plunger C plays up and down by aid of the spiral spring coiled around it. The engraved die or plate is secured to the lower end of this plunger by any convenient arrangement, and the plunger is made to use and fall perpendicularly
25 by means of a guide inserted in the side of

the plunger. The frame A, is attached to the upright E, by a joint or hinge F, in which it is made to work accurately. When the die or plate is to be inked, the frame is to be thrown over to the right hand side of the upright by means of this hinge. This brings the top of the plunger down and the face of the die or plate uppermost, in the most desirable position for receiving a supply of ink, and by simply returning the frame to its first position, the impression is given by a pressure on the cap of the plunger.

G, is the base or bed of the press.

What I claim is—

40 The causing of the frame which contains the die or plate to work to and fro on a joint or hinge, so that the latter may be turned over with its face upward, as herein described, in a convenient position to receive a supply of ink.

EDMUND MORRIS.

In presence of—

CORNELIUS W. TOLLES,
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