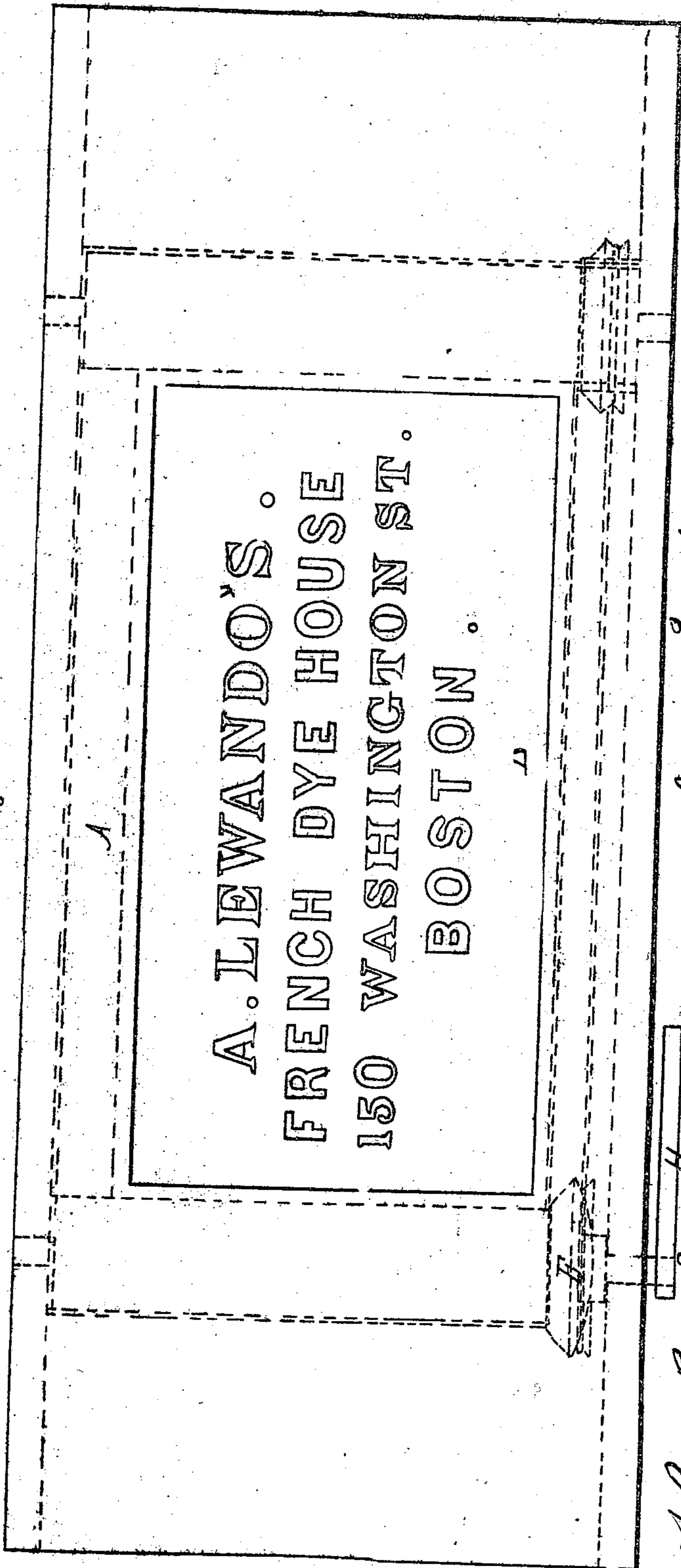


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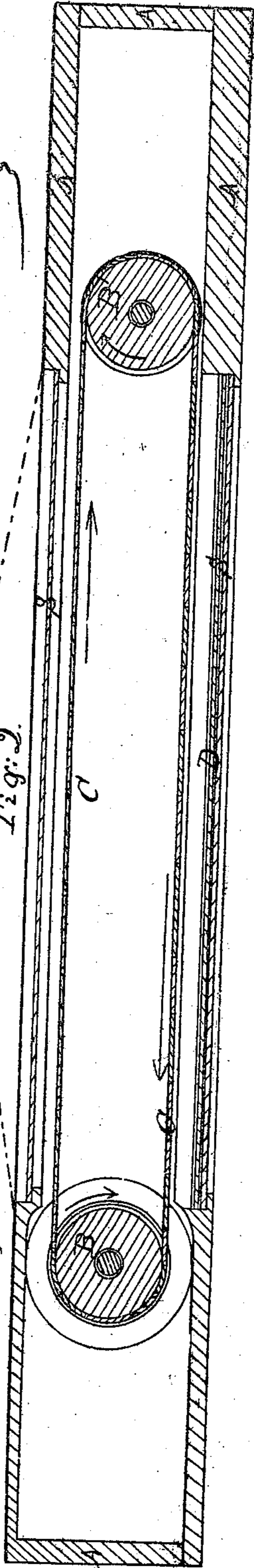
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Fig. 1.



Attest
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Fig. 2.



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ILLUMINATED SIGN.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, CHARLES LEWANDO, of Boston, in the county of Suffolk, and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Illuminated Signs; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

The nature of my invention consists in combining with a sign, the letters of which are made by perforations in some opaque or semi-opaque material, a movable semi-transparent and parti-colored band; the band and sign are so arranged that light shining through the band will exhibit the perforated letters in a variety of colors, which are constantly changing.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe its construction and use. In the drawings—

Figure 1 represents an elevation of the sign.

Figure 2 is a horizontal section of the same.

A represents any convenient casing for a sign, into which is set a plate of opaque or semi-opaque material. The letters are made in the plate D by cutting out their forms as represented in fig. 1. If desirable, D may be an ordinary stencil-plate, cut with letters and ornaments. B B' are two rollers or revolving cylinders, about which a band, C C, revolves. This band C C is made of transparent parti-colored material, so that it passes behind the perforations in D. A light shining through it will exhibit the letters in constantly-varying colors. This band may be propelled by turning the crank H, or it may be operated by any convenient clock-work.

Having thus described my invention, I will now proceed to set forth my claim.

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

An illuminated sign, made by combining with the perforated plate D a traversing parti-colored semi-transparent band, C C, through which the light for illumination passes, substantially as described, and for the purpose set forth.

CHARLES LEWANDO.

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