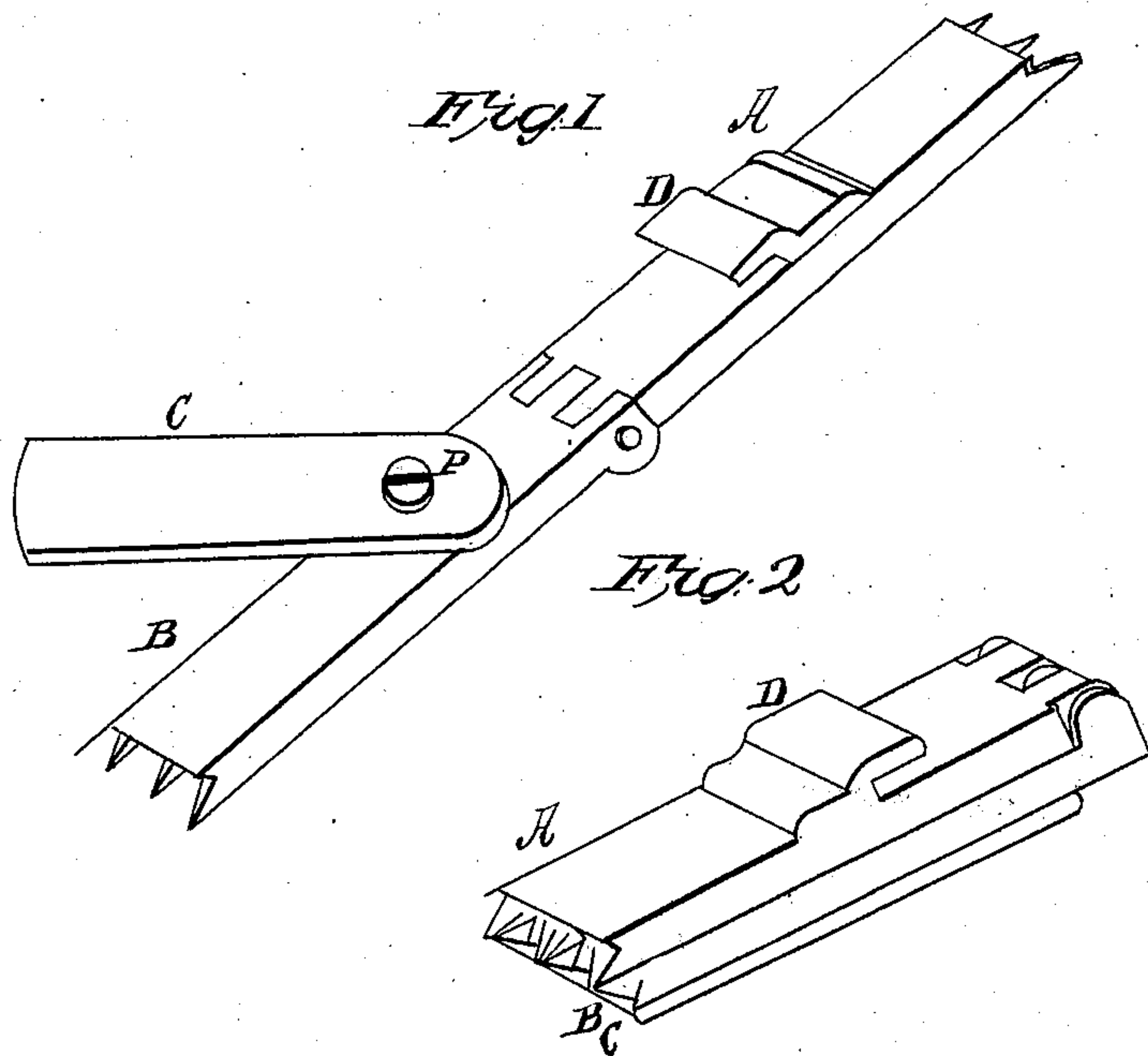


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## IMPROVEMENT IN DOOR-FASTENER.

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, JAMES M. CLARK, of Lancaster, in the State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and improved Device for a Portable Burglar-Lock to fasten doors and windows on the inner side; and I do hereby declare that the following is an exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 shows the hinged pieces A B straightened out, and the turning-latch C partially turned out on its pivot P.

Figure 2 shows the parts closed, or folded together, for carrying in the pocket.

The object of my invention is to combine a portable pocket-lock, neat in appearance, cheap, and convenient to carry in the vest-pocket, and easily applied to any door or window, so as to fasten it with perfect security, made in the simplest manner.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and apply my lock, I need only say that it is composed of parts A and B, united by a strong hinge, and the end of each piece provided with projecting points or teeth, and bevel shoulder, at an angle of about forty-five degrees, the hinge being double and square-shouldered, to form a straight line.

On the back of one piece there is a raised flange and catch, D; on the other, a flat piece, or latch, C, affixed

by a pivot-bolt, P, to fasten or lock the parts together in a straight line or position.

The mode of application is simply by inserting the points of one piece against the door, and the points of the other piece on the floor, so bent at the joint at an angle sufficient to bring the united pieces (when they are pressed down) so as to form a straight line, produced by the teeth being respectively sunk into the door and floor, when the lock or turning-latch C can be turned in under the catch D, and the parts are effectually locked together.

I do not claim the hinged pieces A B when the one piece is provided with a round bolt, sliding in a tube, and operated by a catch through a slot, and the other piece provided with a socket-tube, for the reception of the bolt, as such a construction and arrangement is complex and more expensive to make, and less convenient to carry in the pocket, when made of equal strength and efficiency.

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

The construction and arrangement of the flat turning-latch C, in combination with the catch-flange D, and toothed and bevelled end of the hinged pieces A B, substantially as set forth and shown.

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