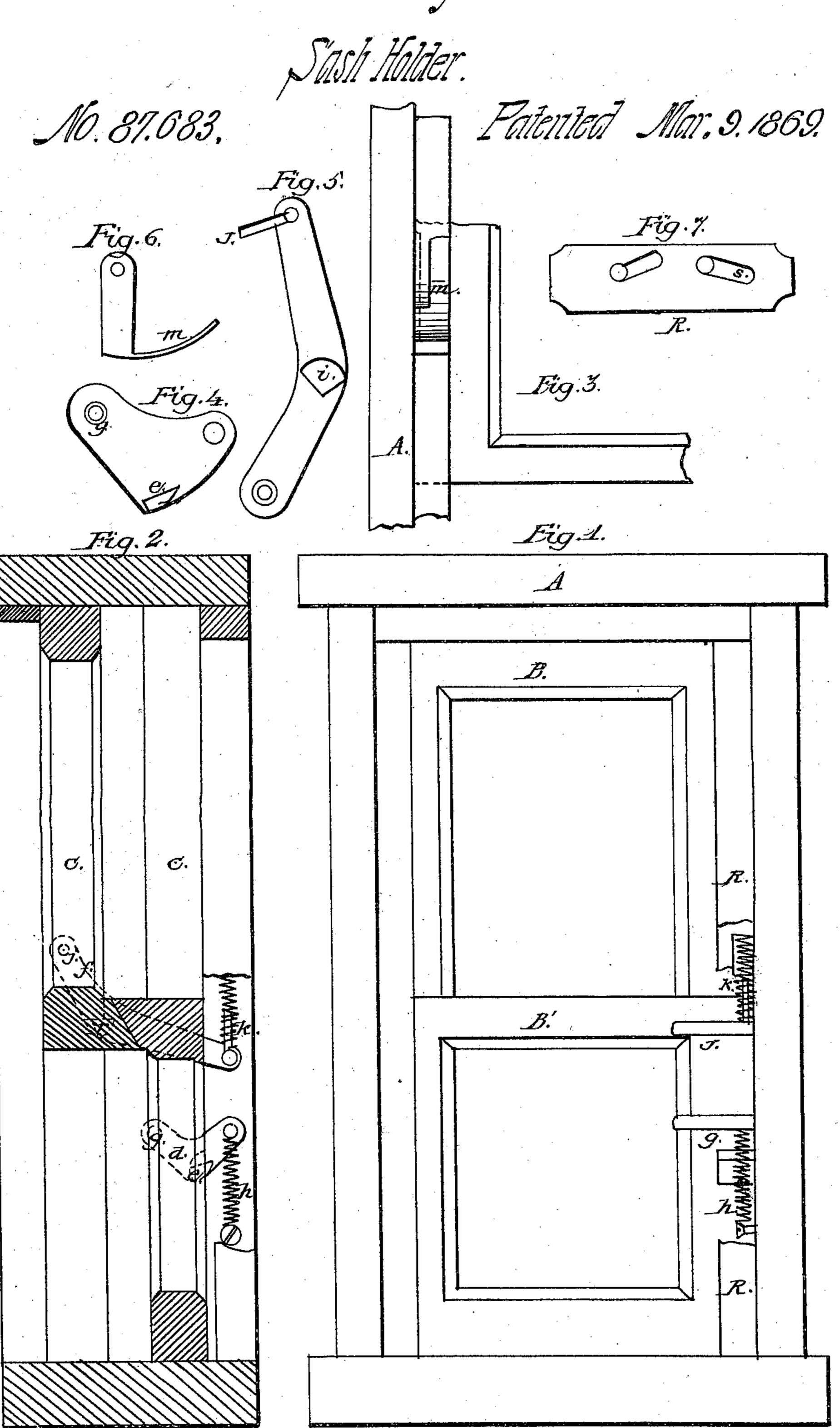
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## IMPROVEMENT IN SASH-HOLDER.

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, Daniel P. Lacey, of Orford-ville, in the county of Rock, and State of Wisconsin, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Sash-Locks; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 represents a front view of my sash and window-frame.

Figure 2 gives an elevation of the inner surface of one side of window-frame, with the strip removed, so as to afford a view of the latches.

Figure 3 represents a spring, with its shank inserted in the window-frame.

Figure 4 is a plan view of the latch that locks the lower sash.

Figure 5 is a plan view of the latch that locks the upper sash.

Figure 6 is a side view of the spring exhibited in fig. 3.

Figure 7 is a section of the strip which confines the latches in place.

The nature of my invention consists in the arrangement of two latches and a spring, for locking the upper and lower sashes of a window, and also to prevent them from rattling, the said latches and spring being constructed and operated in the manner substantially as hereinafter set forth.

A represents the window-frame, furnished with sash-frames B and B'.

CC, in fig. 2, represent the grooves made to receive the sash-frames B and B'.

d designates a latch, secured to the inner surface of frame A by a screw, on which said latch is allowed to play freely.

On the outer surface of latch d is the catch or stop e, the use of which will be hereinafter seen.

g represents a metal rod, fastened to latch d at right angles with the said latch. By this rod the latch d is operated.

h represents a spiral spring, the upper end of which presses against the latch d, while its lower end is coiled around a screw.

f represents a second latch, confined to the window-

frame in the same manner as latch d, and furnished with a catch or stop, i, and rod or handle, j, also with a spiral spring, k, which is confined in its place by the same means, and for the same purpose as spring h, already described.

Near the lower end of the upper sash-frame, a depression is made, to receive the catch *i*, and midway of the lower sash-frame, a similar depression is made, to receive the catch *e*.

m designates a spring, with a shank extending at right angles with it, the said shank being secured to frame A.

The spring m is curved in such a manner that its concave side will lap over the strip that separates the two sash-frames, while the convex side will press against the top of the lower sash-frame, and keep it from rattling under the influence of wind or other causes.

In operating latch f, the rod j must be moved upward to the top of the slot s in strip R. This movement will disengage the catch i from the depression in which it was embedded, and place the frame in condition to be taken out.

In raising the lower sash, the same upward motion of rod g will free the latch d, so that the sash can be raised, and stopped at any required elevation, by letting go the rod g, and allowing the catch to press on the surface of the sash-frame.

The chief advantage I claim for my mode of locking window-sash in the manner above described is, that it is impossible to remove the upper sash, or raise the lower one, from the outside.

I am aware that latches of similar character are in use, and I do not claim such latches of themselves, nor the principle of their operation; neither do I claim the combination of such latches with a window-sash; but

What I do claim, is—

The latches d f, in conjunction with the lower and upper sashes of a window, as constructed and arranged, as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I affix my signature, in presence of two witnesses.

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