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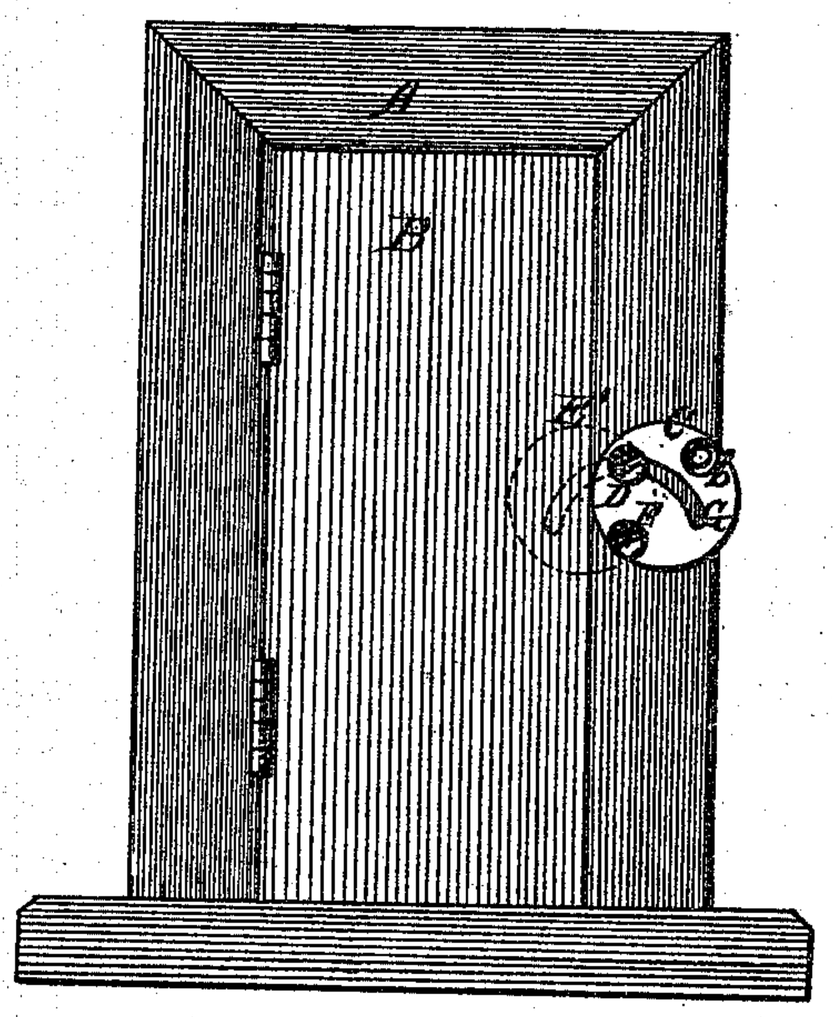
Fig. 1.



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IMPROVEMENT IN LATCHES OR FASTENERS FOR DOORS.

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, JONATHAN R. WEBBER, of Morris, in the county of Grundy and State of Illinois, have invented a Fastener for Doors and other purposes; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, which will enable those skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing and letters marked thereon, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is an elevation of a door and frame, with my fastener attached.

The nature of the present invention consists in so constructing a circular disk or fastener which is pivoted to a door-casing, that it is held in place by its gravity alone, when turned over on the casing to allow the door to open, and, when turned over on the door, to hold it shut, said fastener being provided with a knob to move it, and also with a curved slot, through which a screw is put to regulate the distance the disk is to turn, and also to assist in holding the disk in place.

B represents an ordinary door, which is to be fastened, and

A the casing or frame, to which the fastener C is attached.

This fastener has a circular form, and is made of any proper thickness and of suitable material, and it is pivoted to the frame A, by means of a screw, E, put through the fastener near its periphery.

It is also provided with a curved slot, C, of such length as will, when the fastener is turned on the screw E in either direction, stay in position against a screw, D, put through the slot and into the frame A.

This arrangement is such that when the fastener is turned over the door B or frame A, its gravity will be thrown to the left or right of the pivot-screw E, as the case may be, and thus be so held in place that the jarring caused by shutting the door will not turn it on its pivot.

The advantage over and above that heretofore stated consists in the fasteners being secured with two screws instead of one, as is usually done in fastening ordinary buttons, while it is simple, cheap, and convenient, and can be readily adjusted by a projecting knob, *b*.

I, however, disclaim any right or novelty in placing a latch, catch, or button, directly over a door which hangs by its own gravity or operates automatically directly over the gate, door, &c., to hold it in place.

Having thus described my invention,

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

The circular fastener C, pivoted to the frame at F, and provided with a curved slot, G, and knob *b*, said slot being long enough to allow the fastener to stay at either side of the pivot E by its own gravity, as and for the purpose set forth.

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