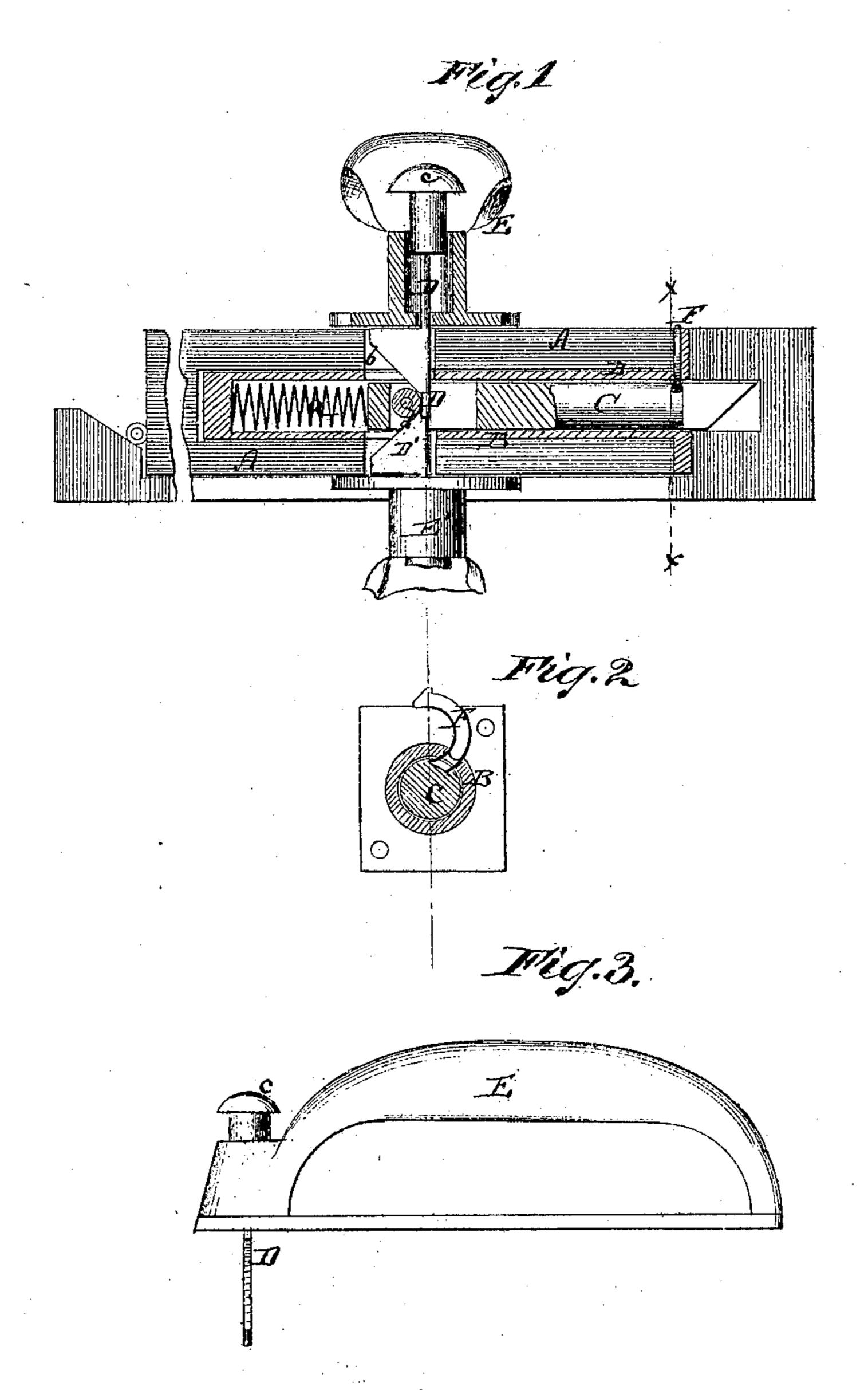
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## IMPROVEMENT IN LATCHES.

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, Addison A. Stuart, of Plainfield, in the county of Bremer and State of Iowa, have invented a new and improved Latch; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing forming a part of this specification.

My invention relates to latches; and consists in a peculiar arrangement of parts which will first be described in connection with all that is necessary to a full understanding thereof, and then clearly specified in the summary or claim.

In Figure 1 of drawing—A represents the door;

B, a lock-case; and C, the sliding-bolt.

a is the actuating spring, which shoots the bolt.

d is a friction-roller; and

D D' are two inclined pieces or wedges, which slide in the slot b, and pass each other.

c is a thumb-piece, working through a socket is handle on each side of the door.

E, in Figure 3, is the form of handle which I professibly apploy: and

ferably employ; and

F, in Figure 2, the night-latch.

The object of my invention is to afford a convenier and handy device for latching and unlatching the doc from either side.

Having thus described all that is necessary to clear understanding of my invention,

What I claim as new, and desire to protect by Let

ters Patent, is—

The arrangement, in the slot b, of the two incline or wedge pieces D D', as set forth, so that one wi pass by the other when pressure is exerted on thumb-piece, C, from either side of the door.

ADDISON A. STUART.

## Witnesses:

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