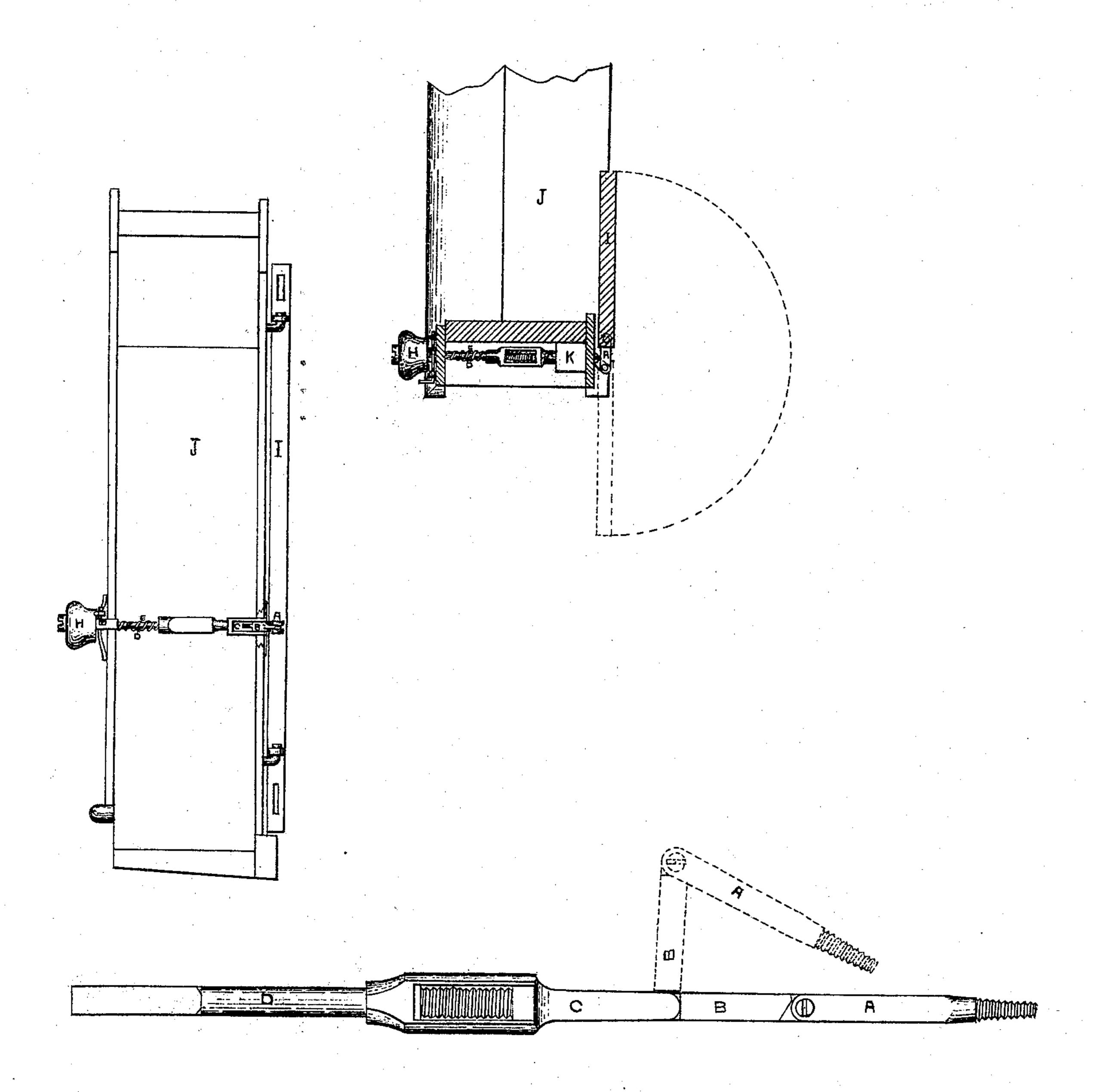
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## IMPROVEMENT IN WINDOW-BLIND OPERATORS.

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

To whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, George Jennisen and Merrick F. Otis, of Westborough, county of Worcester, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, have invented a new and improved Window-Blind Operator; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing and to the letters of reference marked thereon making a part of this specification.

This invention consists in providing the operatingrod of a shutter-worker with an adjusting-screw and nut for varying its length, and with a coil-spring to aid

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use our invention, we will proceed to describe its construction and operation.

In the drawing—

Figure 1 represents a sectional view of the window-casing, the operator passing through it and attached to the hinged edge of the blind.

Figure 2 represents a section of the casing taken off at the under side of the operator. The dotted line marks the swing of the blind as it is opened and closed by a pull at the knob.

Figure 3 represents the jointed rod. The dotted line is the swing-joint, and the screw-connection is for shortening or lengthening the rod, as the casing and frame may require.

In fig. 1—

A is the first joint of the rod, having a screw cut on the end, as seen in fig. 3, and is the part which is attached to the inner edge of the blind.

B is the swing-joint, and should have its position in the socket K, with room to swing both to the left and right of the center line.

O is the next joint, and is connected with part D by screw, for the purpose of lengthening or shortening the rod, as the casing and frame may require.

E is a spiral spring placed on the part D, so as to force the rod back in the blind, closing or opening it as it passes the center line, and

H is the knob secured to the inner end of the rod. F is a notch in the rod for latch G, which fastens the blind securely either when open or closed.

The blind is opened or closed by a pull at the knob. The momentum it receives by the pull will carry the blind past the center line, and the pressure of the spring E will keep it closed or opened.

What we claim as our invention, and desire to se-

cure by Letters Patent, is-

The combination, in a shutter-worker, of the operating-rod D, with a nut and screw-connection, and coil-spring E, all arranged as and for the purpose shown.

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