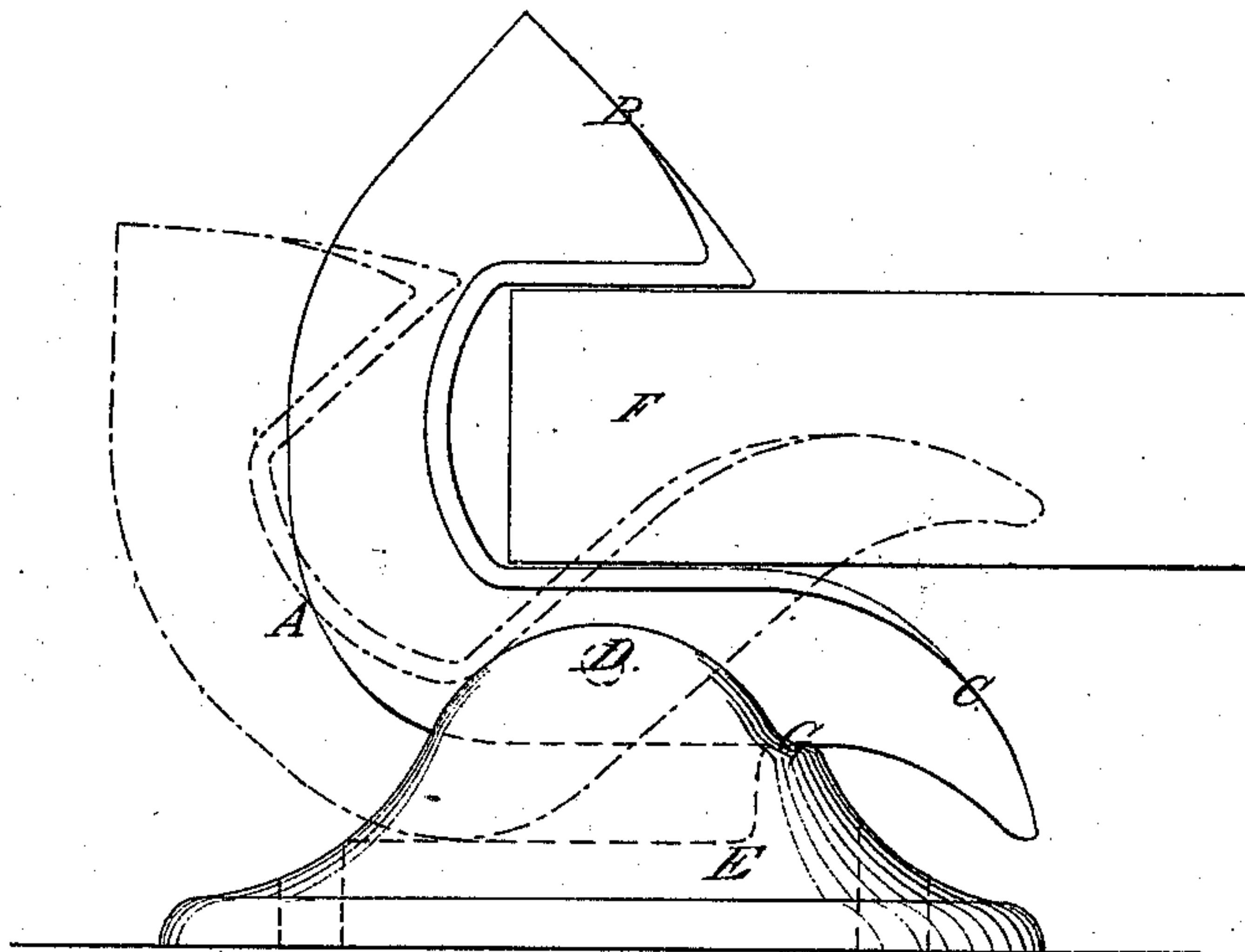


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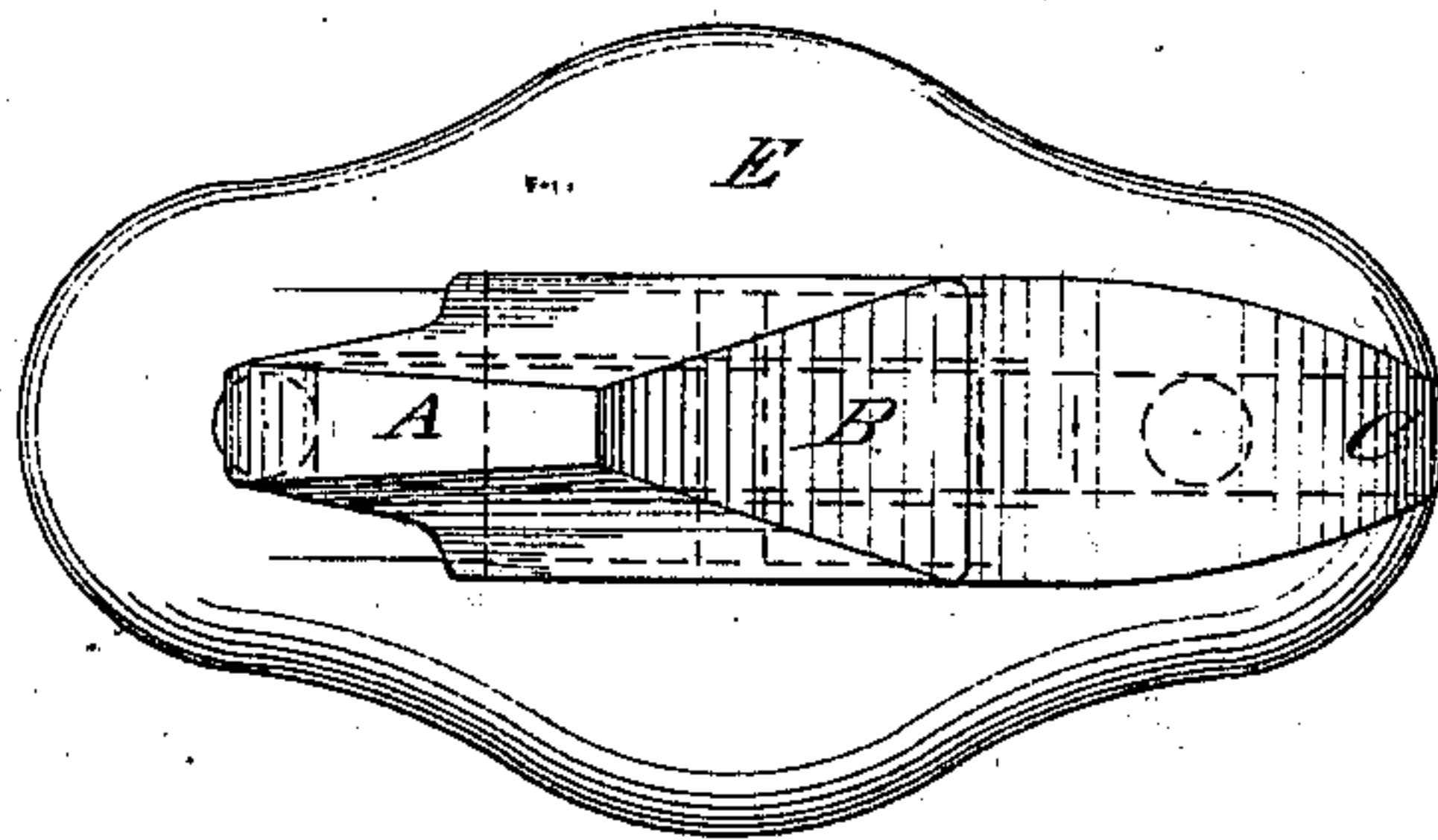
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*Fig. 1*



*Fig. 2.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN BARN-DOOR FASTENINGS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, PERRY A. PEER, of Comstock, in the county of Kalamazoo and State of Michigan, have invented a new and Improved Barn-Door Fastening, of which the following is a specification:

My invention consists of a strong hook of cast-iron, with a beveled nose to the hook end, having considerable breadth of surface, for sustaining the shocks and wear of a heavy barn-door, while said hook is pivoted in a strong stand or base, adapted to be attached to the side of a barn, and support the hook outside of the battens of the siding, so that when the door swings open it will strike the nose of the hook and swing it back, so as to pass the hook-nose and strike a strong arm projecting beyond the pivot, and thereby swing the hook so as to engage and secure the door.

Figure 1 is a top view of my improved barn-door fastening, and Fig. 2 is a side elevation.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A is the hook, of strong cast-iron, or it may be of wrought-iron, if preferred, having the beveled catch-nose B and the curved arm C, and being pivoted at D to the stand or base E, which is attached to the side of the barn, to hold the hook in the right position for receiving the door F, as shown in Fig. 1, when it swings open. The base, also, has a stop at G, to prevent the hook from swinging back too far to be opened by the door.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

A springless automatic fastening for barn-doors, consisting of but two castings, one being a pivoted hook, A D, having in front the broad beveled catch-nose B, and at the rear a curved arm, C, while the other is a stand, E, having the stop G, all substantially as shown and described.

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