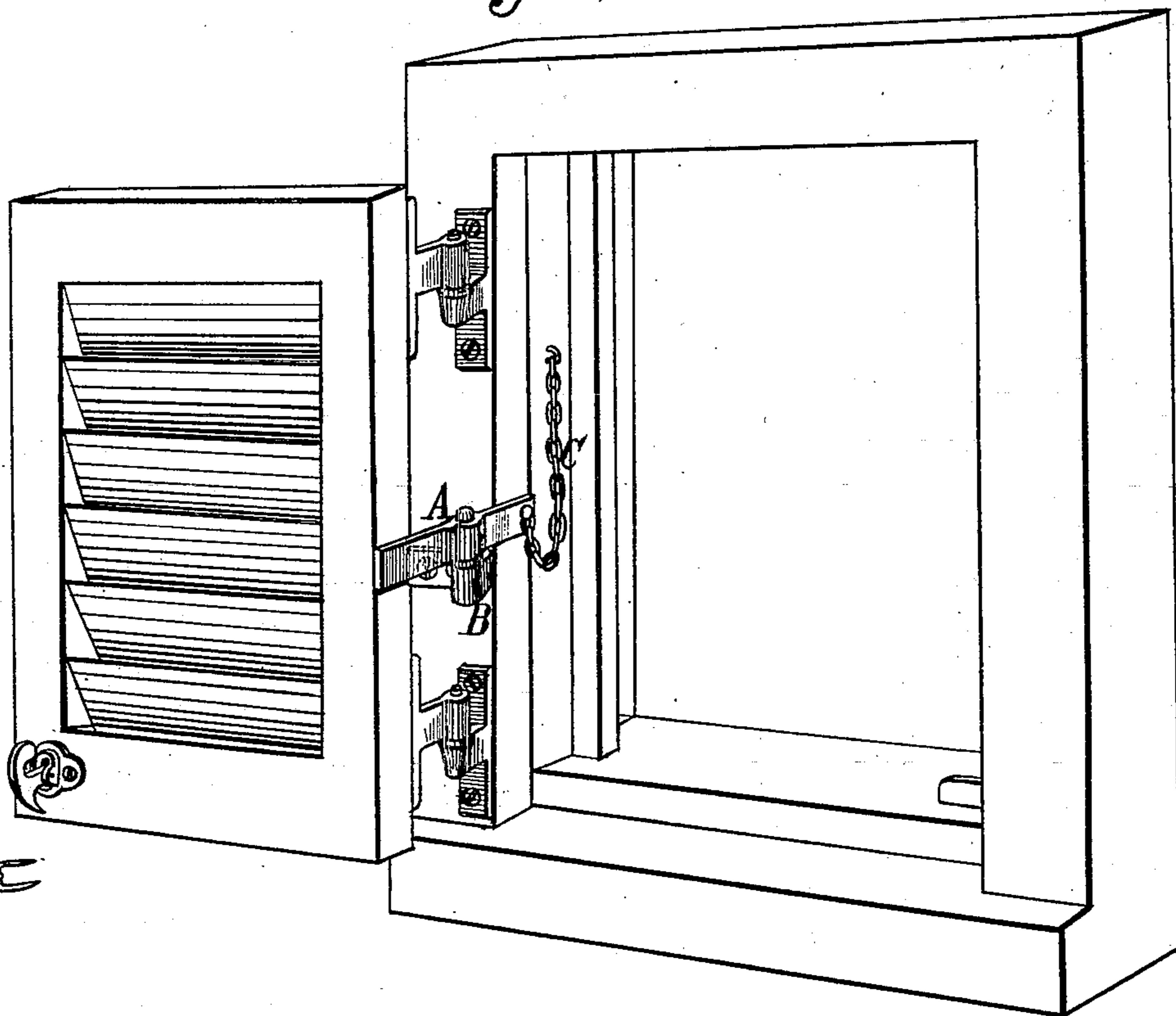


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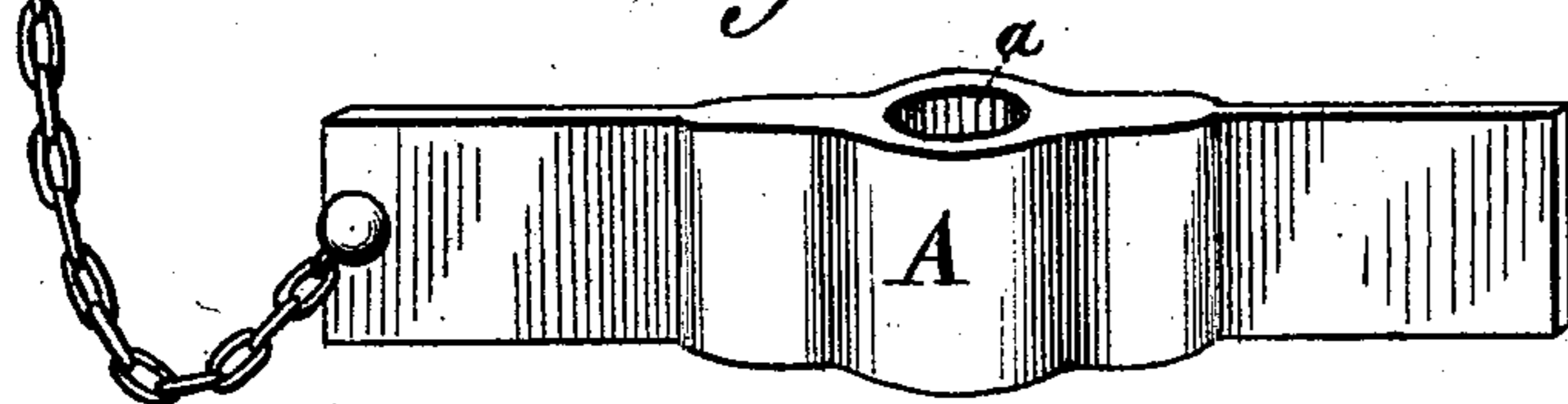
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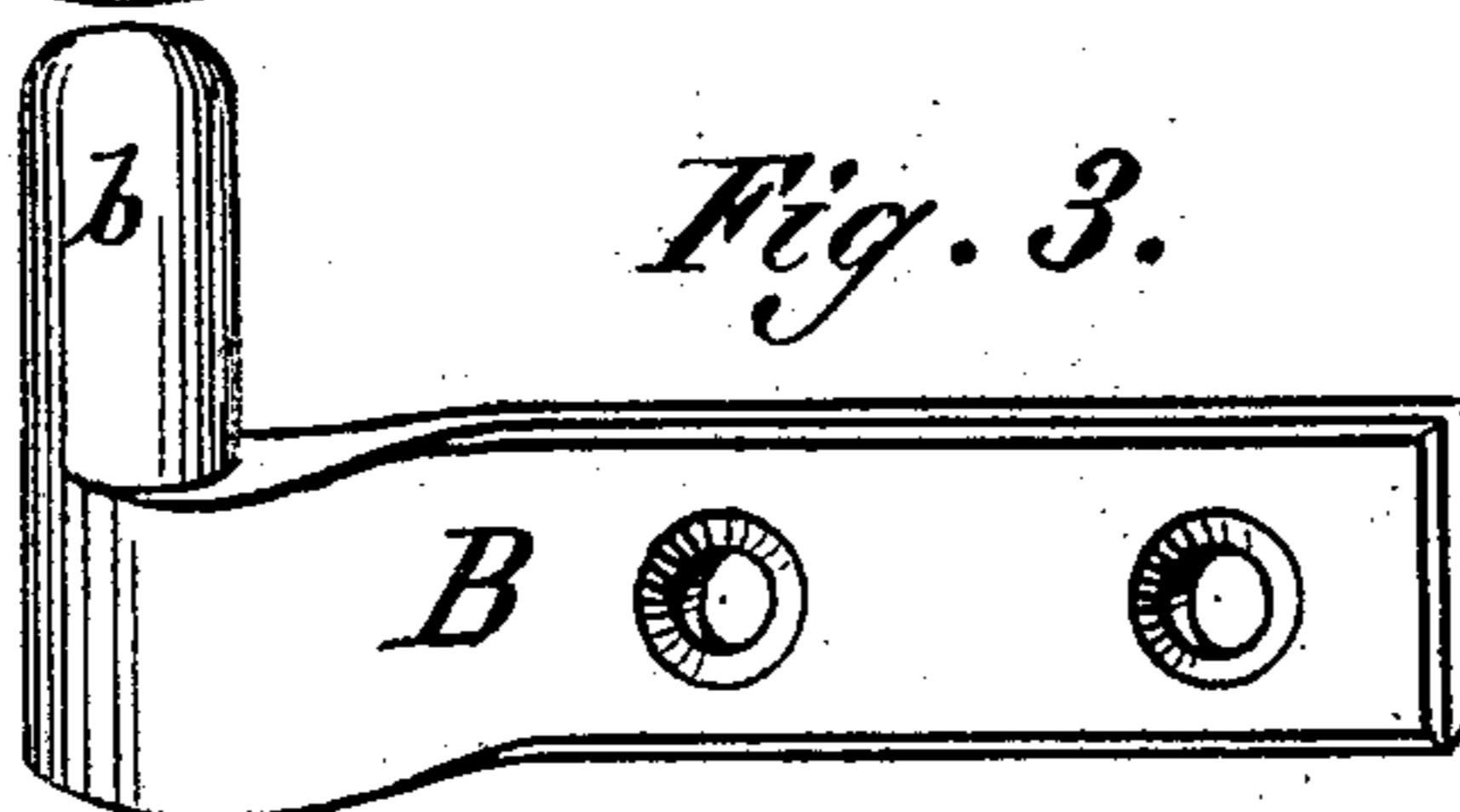
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN SHUTTER-FASTENINGS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, PETER N. HORSLEY, of Jersey City, in the county of Hudson and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Window-Blind Fastening; and that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

My invention relates to a means for holding a window-blind in position when open, and preventing it from being accidentally closed. For this purpose various devices have been employed, some of which have been intended to operate in connection with the hinge. The present invention operates entirely independent of the hinge.

The invention consists in a novel construction and combination of a plate or bar provided with a pivot, and adapted to be secured to a window-frame, and a second plate or bar, provided with a socket for engagement with said pivot and adapted to be readily attached and detached, whereby when the parts are engaged with each other the second plate or bar bears against the window-frame and against the edge of the blind, and securely holds the blind in position when open, all as hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

The accompanying drawings illustrate the manner of carrying out my invention.

Figure 1 shows the application of the invention to a window frame and blind. Figs. 2 and 3 represent the fastener, of about the usual full size.

B represents a plate or flat bar, provided with screw-holes, so that it may be secured in place by screws. On one end of this bar B is a pintle or pivot, *b*, forming a right angle with the length or main portion of the bar.

A represents a narrow plate or bar, having about midway of its length a socket, *a*, for engagement with the pintle or pivot *b*. The bar A is enlarged and thickened at its center, in order to strengthen it and to provide for the socket *a*, and from said enlarged portion

to the ends it is flat and smooth. These two plates or bars are preferably made of metal—either wrought-iron or cast malleable iron.

The bar B is screwed to the window-frame in a horizontal position, so that the pivot *b* will stand vertically.

The bar A may be provided with a chain, C, attached to the window-frame, to prevent it from being lost or mislaid.

In order to fasten the blind open, the bar A is placed so as to rest upon the upper edge of the bar B, with the pivot *b* inserted in the socket *a*, and with the flat portions of the bar A bearing, respectively, against the window-frame and the edge of the blind, as shown in Fig. 1, by which means the blind is held firmly and steadily, and prevented from being accidentally closed. By removing the bar A the blind may be closed, and said bar may be allowed to hang by the chain C.

This fastener acts entirely independent of the hinges, and may be placed at any desired point between them.

I do not claim, broadly, the employment of a plate or bar for fastening back a window blind or shutter. Neither do I claim herein the employment of a fastening device attached to or acting in connection with the hinge of said blind or shutter, as I am aware that such devices are not new; but,

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

As a new article of manufacture, the blind-fastener consisting of the plate or bar B, provided with the pivot *b*, and the plate or bar A, provided with the socket *a*, when constructed, combined, and operating as herein shown and described.

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