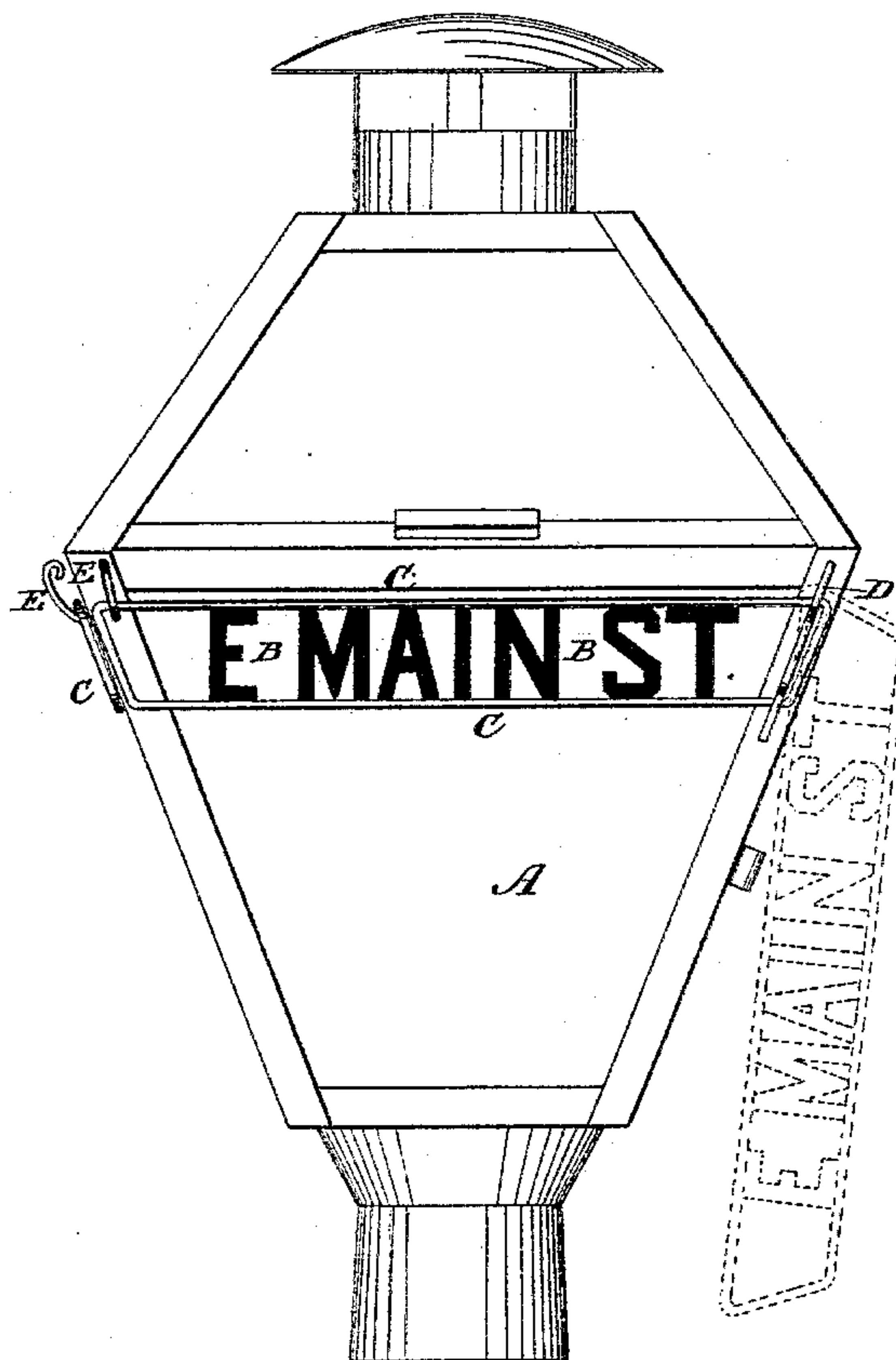


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*Fig. 1.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN SIGNS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CHAS. BELLENOT, of Richmond, in the county of Henrico and State of Virginia, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Signs for Street-Lamps; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same.

The invention is an improvement in the class of street-lamps which have separate name-plates or signs (bearing the names of the streets on which the lamps are located) attached thereto.

My improvement relates to the construction of the name-plate, and the devices by which it is secured to the lamp in such a manner as to adapt it to be conveniently detached when required.

In the accompanying drawing I have represented a side elevation of a street-lamp having a name-plate attached by devices constructed according to my invention.

The lamp A is represented of the usual angular form. The letters B, composing the street-name, are cut out of metal, and separately attached to wires or bars, forming a rigid frame, C. Said frame is attached to lamp A by means of a cleat or double catch, D, at one end, and by a hook, E, at the other end. Said cleat and hook are soldered or otherwise permanently secured to the side bars of the lamp-frame.

To attach the frame C to the lamp, the former is held in an inclined position across

the front of the lamp, and its upper end passed over the ends of the cleat D. The left-hand end of the frame is then raised, and allowed to catch on the hook E. The frame will then be suspended in a horizontal position, as shown in full lines, Fig. 1, and while adapted to be easily removed from the lamp, it yet constitutes an attachment which is, for all practical purposes, an integral portion of the lamp.

If preferred, for the purpose of rendering the attachment of the frame C more secure, they may be connected at adjacent ends by means of a wire or cord, or any other detachable device.

The dotted lines, Fig. 1, show the frame C suspended from the cleat above, which may be its position while the lamp is being cleaned.

In place of attaching the letters to frame C, they may be soldered or otherwise permanently connected, and said frame dispensed with, as when a stencil-plate is employed.

What I claim is—

The combination, with the lamp, of the cleat D and hook E, fixed thereto, and the name-plate frame C, constructed as specified, to adapt it for connection with and support by the cleat and hook, and to permit its convenient detachment therefrom, as shown and described.

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