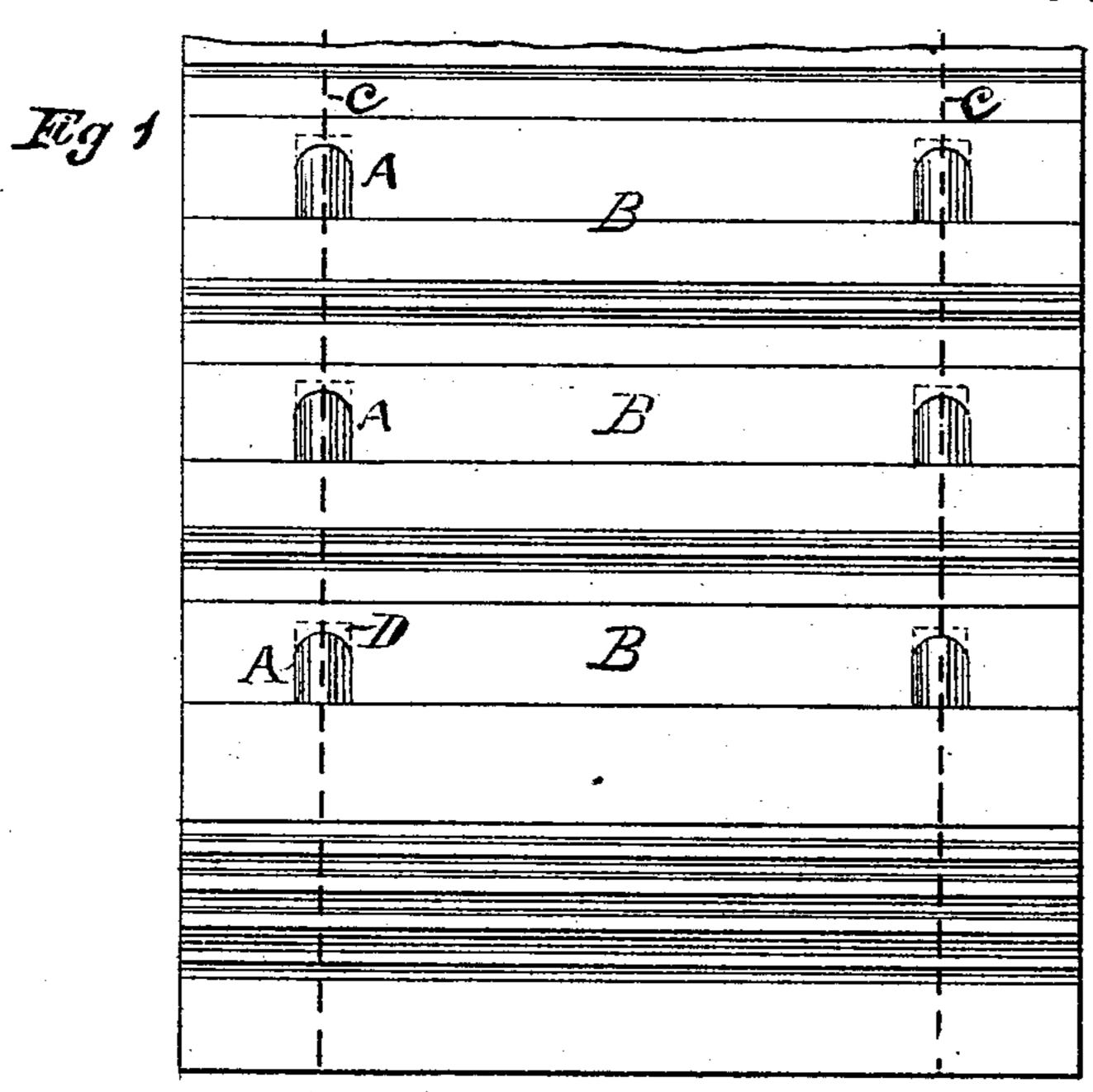
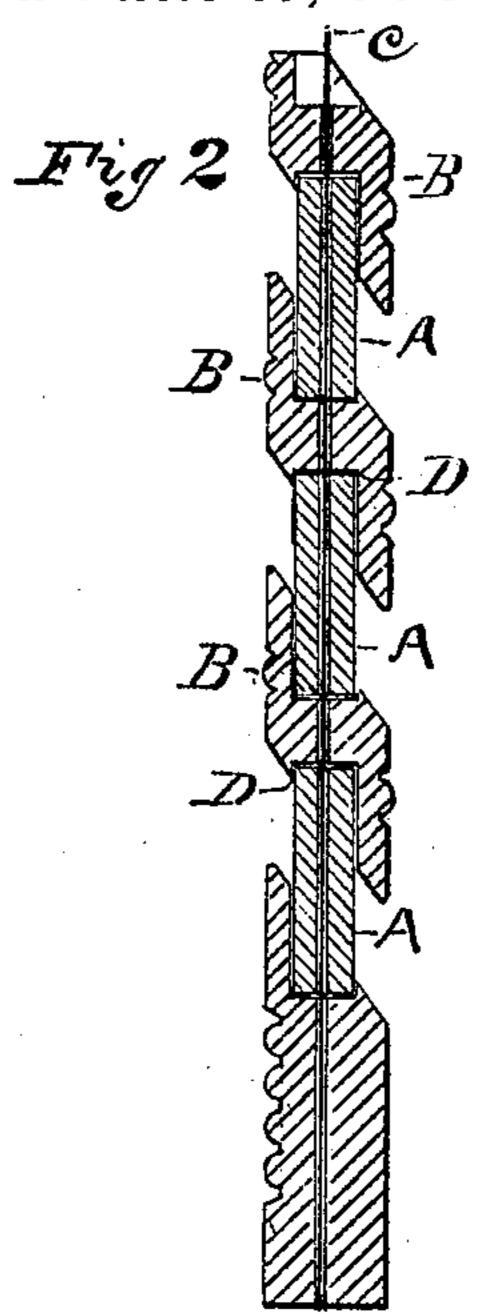
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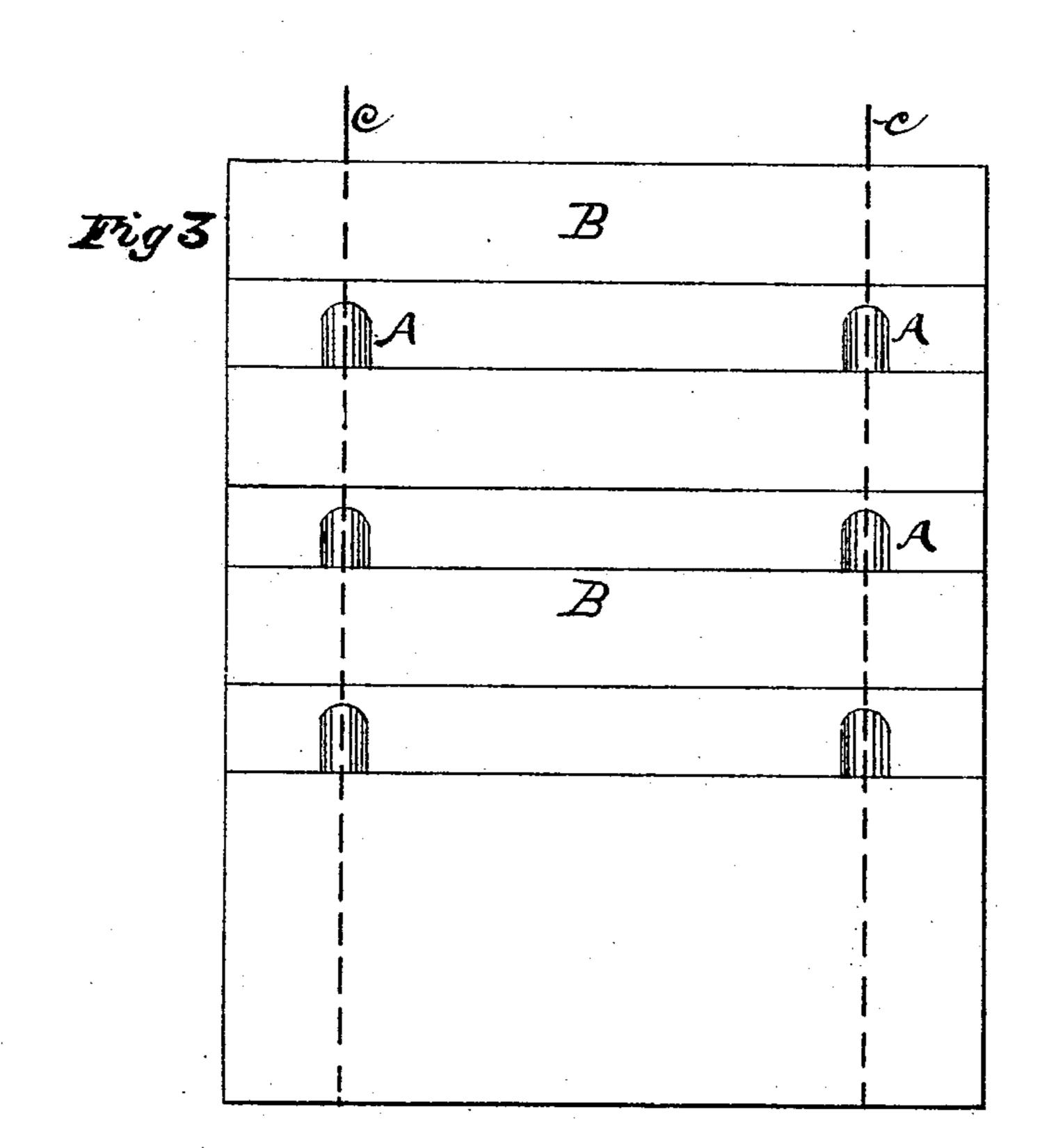
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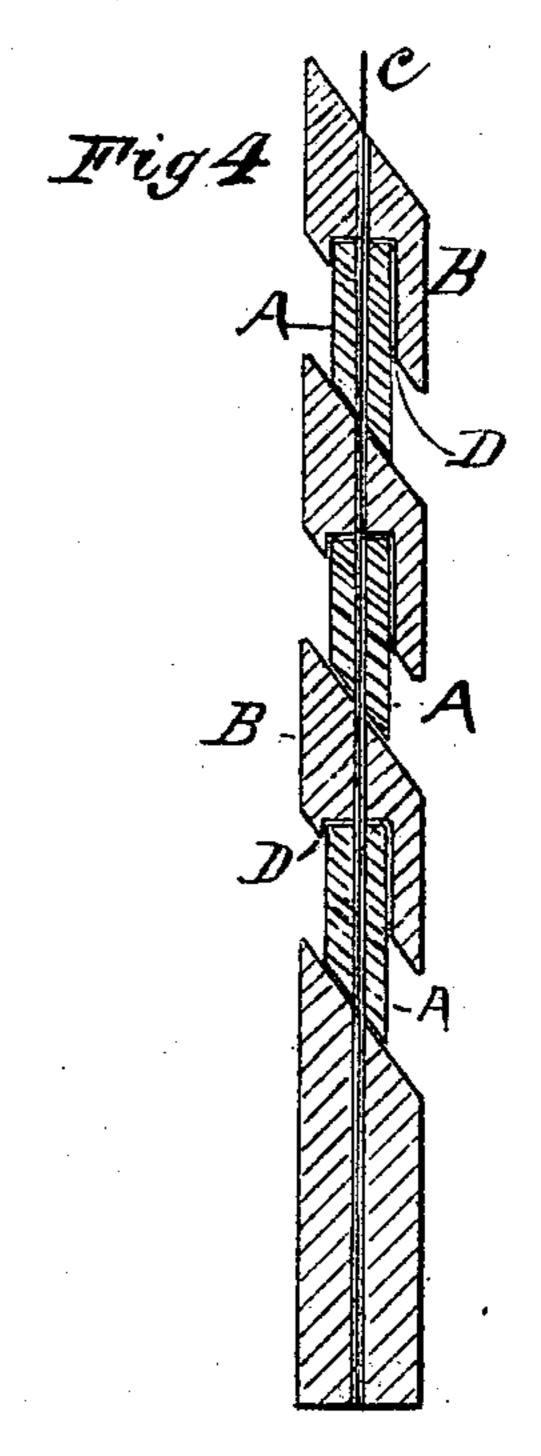
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ROLLING AND FLEXIBLE BLIND.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES GODFREY WILson, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Im-5 provement in Rolling and Flexible Blinds, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a part elevation of my 10 improved blind; and Fig. 2, a transverse section of the same, taken in the line c. Fig. 3 represents a part elevation of a modification of my invention; and Fig. 4, a transverse sec-

tion thereof, taken in the line c.

Similar letters indicate corresponding parts. My invention consists in the peculiar form and arrangement of the distance-pieces in reference to the slats, whereby, when the blind is bent or rolled, the distance-pieces are held 20 firmly at their ends. The distance-pieces by my arrangement are not so liable to be broken by the suspending-wires of the blind when it is bent, and the pressure applied in raising it will be brought to bear more evenly upon the 25 distance-pieces, this giving it greater solidity.

In the drawings, the letters B designate the slats, which are of diamond shape and provided with holes at regular intervals parallel to the sides of the slats, through which pass 30 the suspending-wires c. Each slat is countersunk at every hole through which the wires pass, at either its upper or lower surface, or both, as shown at D in Figs. 2 and 4. The distance-pieces A, which are preferably in the 35 shape of a cylinder with flat ends, are threaded upon the wires c and enter into the countersinks when the slats are drawn into place; but when one end only of the distance-pieces is inserted, into the countersinks in the slats 40 the other ends are cut parallel to the face of the slat upon which they abut.

It is unnecessary for carrying out my inven-

tion to make the countersinks both on the upper and lower faces of the slats, except when great rigidity is required; but the counter- 45 sinks should be placed upon corresponding surfaces of the slats. In case countersinks are made on one side of the slat only they should be made upon the upper side of the slat when the blind is required to coil or bend 50 upon its inner surface. The countersinks should be made on the lower side of the slat, as at D in Fig. 4, when the blind is required to coil or bend outwardly, the object being to keep those ends of the distance-pieces which 55 are not inserted in countersinks always in close contact with the face of the slats against which they abut, whether the blind be in a straight. or bent position.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure 60 by Letters Patent, is—

1. A flexible or rolling blind composed of diamond-shaped slats countersunk on both sides for the reception of distance-pieces, such distance-pieces, and suitable means for bind. 65 ing the blind together, substantially as described.

2. A flexible or rolling blind composed of diamond-shaped slats countersunk for the reception of distance-pieces, such distance-pieces, 70 whose ends are parallel to the parts of the slats against which they abut, and suitable means for binding the blind together, substantially as described.

3. The combination, in a flexible or rolling 75 blind, of diamond-shaped slats countersunk for the reception of distance-pieces, together with such distance-pieces and means for binding the slats and distance-pieces together, substantially as described.

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Compare Eng. Pat. 1796 5/1866.