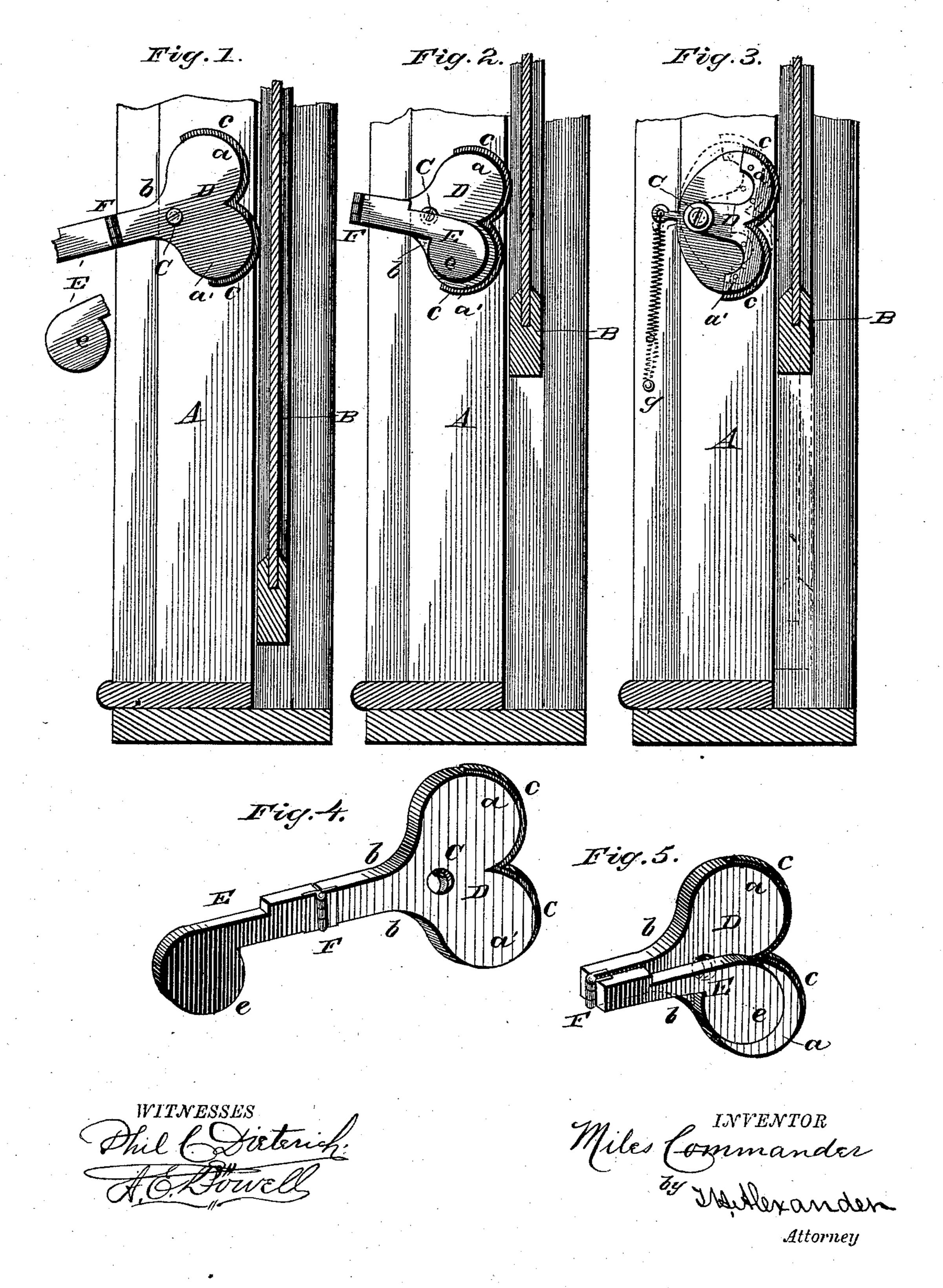
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To all whom it may concern:

Elizabeth City, in the county of Pasquotank and State of North Carolina, have invented 5 certain new and useful Improvements in Burglar-Proof Window-Sash Locks and Catches; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying draw-10 ings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a vertical section through the lower portion of a window frame and sash, 15 showing my improved sash-fastener adjusted for holding a window down. Fig. 2 is a similar section showing the fastener adjusted for holding the window-sash up. Fig. 3 is a similar section showing a modified form of 20 the fastener. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of the improved fastener detached from a window-frame. Fig. 5 shows the loaded portion folded.

This invention relates to window-sash fast-25 eners; and it consists in a combined safety sash catch or holder and burglar-proof sashlock, which will be fully understood from the following description, when taken in connec-

tion with the annexed drawings. A designates a portion of a window-frame, and B is a portion of the lower sash, which parts are or may be constructed in the usual well-known manner. At a suitable point on the inner side of the window frame or sash I 35 pivot at C my improved sash-fastener. This fastener consists of two portions, D and E, which are connected together by a vertical hinge, F, which will allow the part E to be adjusted as shown in Figs. 1 and 4, or as shown 40 in Figs. 2 and 5. The section D is constructed with two rounded portions, a a', and a neck or contracted portion, b. The peripheries of the rounded portions a a' are hardened rubber, which is indicated by the letter 45 c, and which is inserted in grooves made in the said rounded portions a a'. The object of the requisite friction to positively hold the sash and prevent any liability of slipping, 50 and also not to deface the wood with which it comes in contact. The hinged portion E is weighted at e, and the weighted end is at such |

a distance from the pivot C that when it is in Be it known that I, MILES COMMANDER, of the position shown in Figs. 2 and 5 it will cause the rounded portion a to bear against 55 the surface of the window-sash and hold it at any desired height, and allow the sash to be raised, but not lowered. When the weight E is adjusted as shown in Figs. 1 and 4, it will operate to hold the rounded portion a' in con- 60 tact with the sash, and prevent the same from being raised. Under this last adjustment of the weight it will be observed that I have a burglar-proof sash-lock.

> In Fig. 3 I have represented a modification 65 of the device described above, which consists in weighting the rounded portions a a' and using a helical spring, instead of the hinged weight E. When the spring is attached to the pin g, it will hold the rounded portion a' 70 in contact with the sash and form a burglarproof sash-lock. When the said spring is detached from the pin g, the weight on the rounded portions a a' will cause the portion ato bear against the sash and form a safe catch, 75 which will hold the sash up.

> It will be observed from the above description that I have a combined window-sash catch and burglar-proof lock which is applicable to any well-known window frame and sash, and 80 which can be cheaply made of cast or wrought metal.

Having described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, IS-

1. In a sash-lock, the combination of the pivoted section D, having double cam-faces aa', with the reversible weighted section E, loosely connected thereto, whereby the preponderance of leverage may be shifted at will 90 to bring the upper or lower cam-face automatically into action, substantially as set forth.

2. The combination of the pivotal section D, the rounded heads a a', having rubber seated into their faces, and a hinged weight, 95 substantially in the manner and for the purposes described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as facing the said rounded portion is to afford | my own I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

MILES COMMANDER.

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