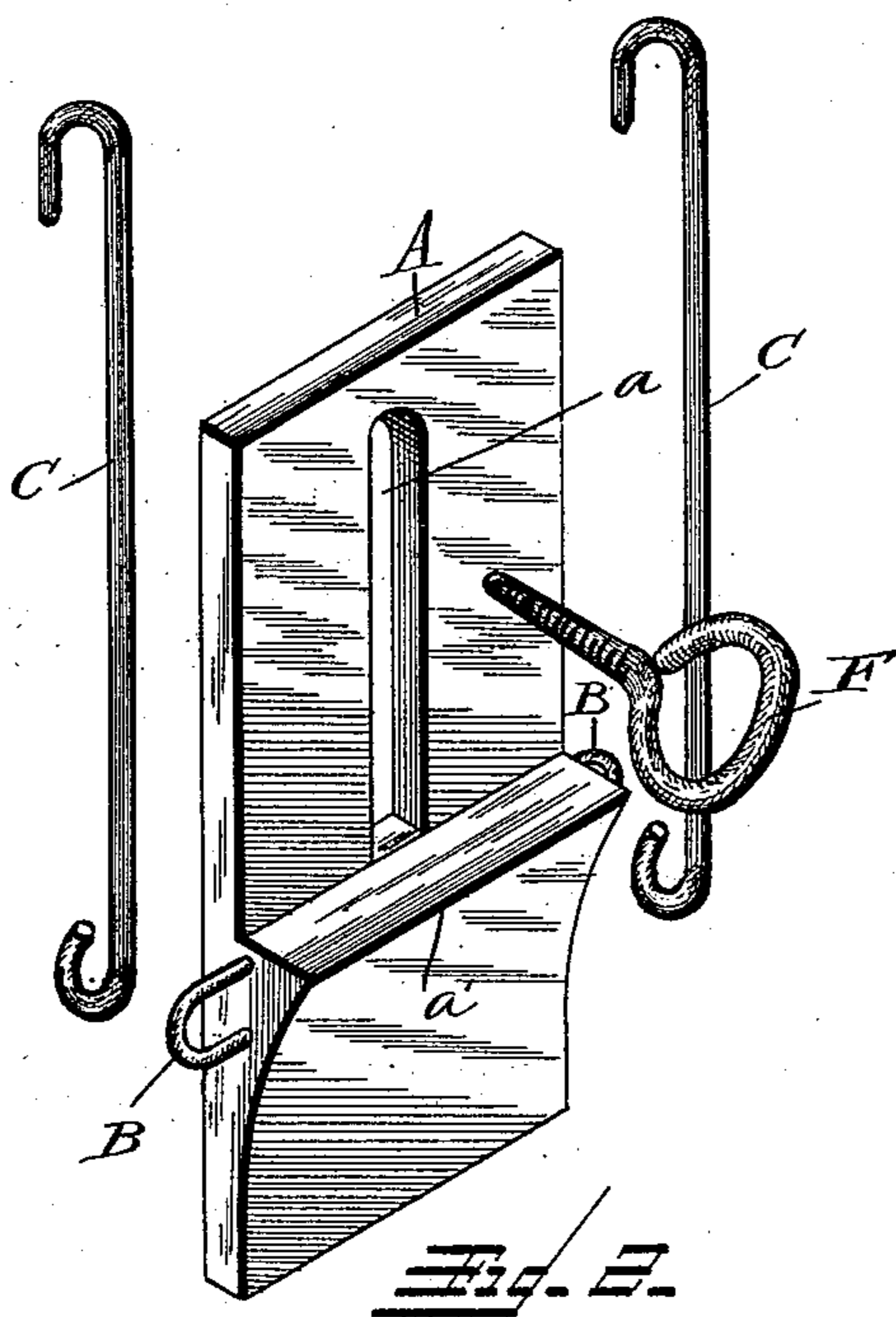
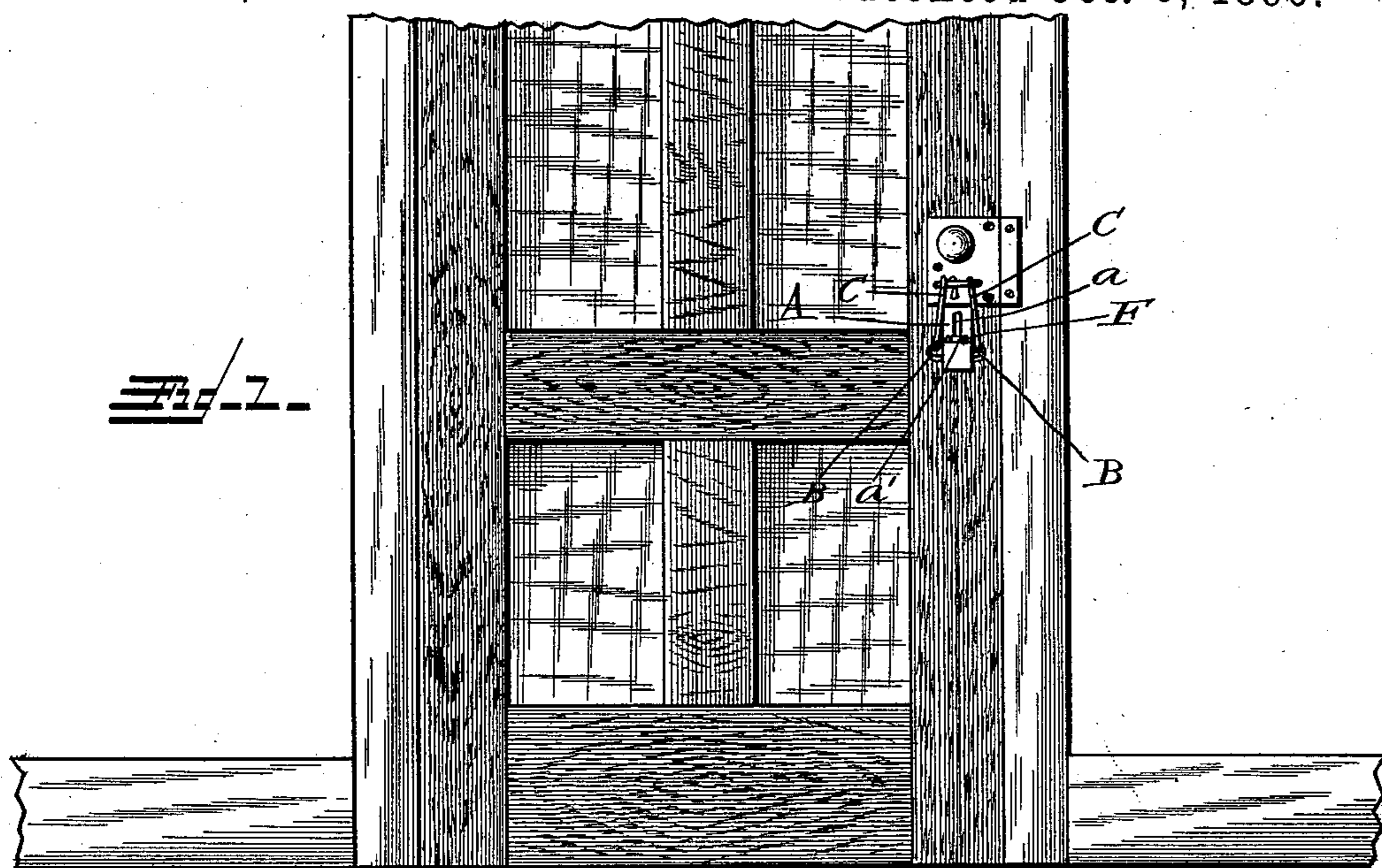


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, VICTORIA JANE HARVEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Red Jacket, in the county of Houghton and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Key-Holders; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in key-holders of that class designed for preventing the turning of a key in a lock as a safeguard against burglars and maliciously-inclined persons.

My improvement prevents the turning of the key by the small key-nippers usually carried by burglars for this purpose. The size is such that it may be readily carried in the pocket and applied to any door when desired.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will hereinafter appear, and the novel features thereof will be particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

The invention is clearly illustrated in the accompanying drawings, which, with the letters of reference marked thereon, form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is an elevation showing the application of my improvement. Fig. 2 is a perspective view showing the parts thereof removed.

Like letters of reference indicate like parts in both views.

Referring now to the details of the drawings by letter, A designates a plate, which may be of wood or other suitable material, having a longitudinal slot *a* and a hook or holder *a'*. Upon opposite sides of this plate are the staples, or eyes or hooks, or analogous devices B, into which are designed to be engaged the hooked ends of the rods or wires C, either detachably or permanently engaged therewith. The other ends of these wires or rods are also hooked, as shown.

F is a screw-eye. The rods when detachably connected with the eyes or analogous devices on the plate may be easily removed and placed in the pocket by themselves, or, when permanently engaged, they may be folded alongside of the plate, so as to occupy but little room.

In practice the plate is engaged under the lock of the door with the hooks at one end of the rods or wires engaged in the eyes or analogous devices thereof, and the other ends of the hooks are engaged in the end of the key on each side and then the screw-eyes placed in the slot and screwed firmly to the door. It will thus be seen that the key is effectually locked or held against turning. The slot serves for proper adjustment of the device in case the hook should be too long for some locks, the plate being adjusted according to the size of the lock.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is—

1. A key-fastener comprising a plate adapted to be engaged under the lock and formed with a longitudinal slot, hooks pivotally connected therewith and adapted to engage a key and means for holding the plate in position on a door, and means for adjusting the said plate, substantially as described.

2. A key-locking device, comprising a plate having a longitudinal slot and a holder, rods having hooks engaging means on opposite sides of said plate and their other ends hooked to engage a key and a screw-eye adapted to secure said plate in position, on the door, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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