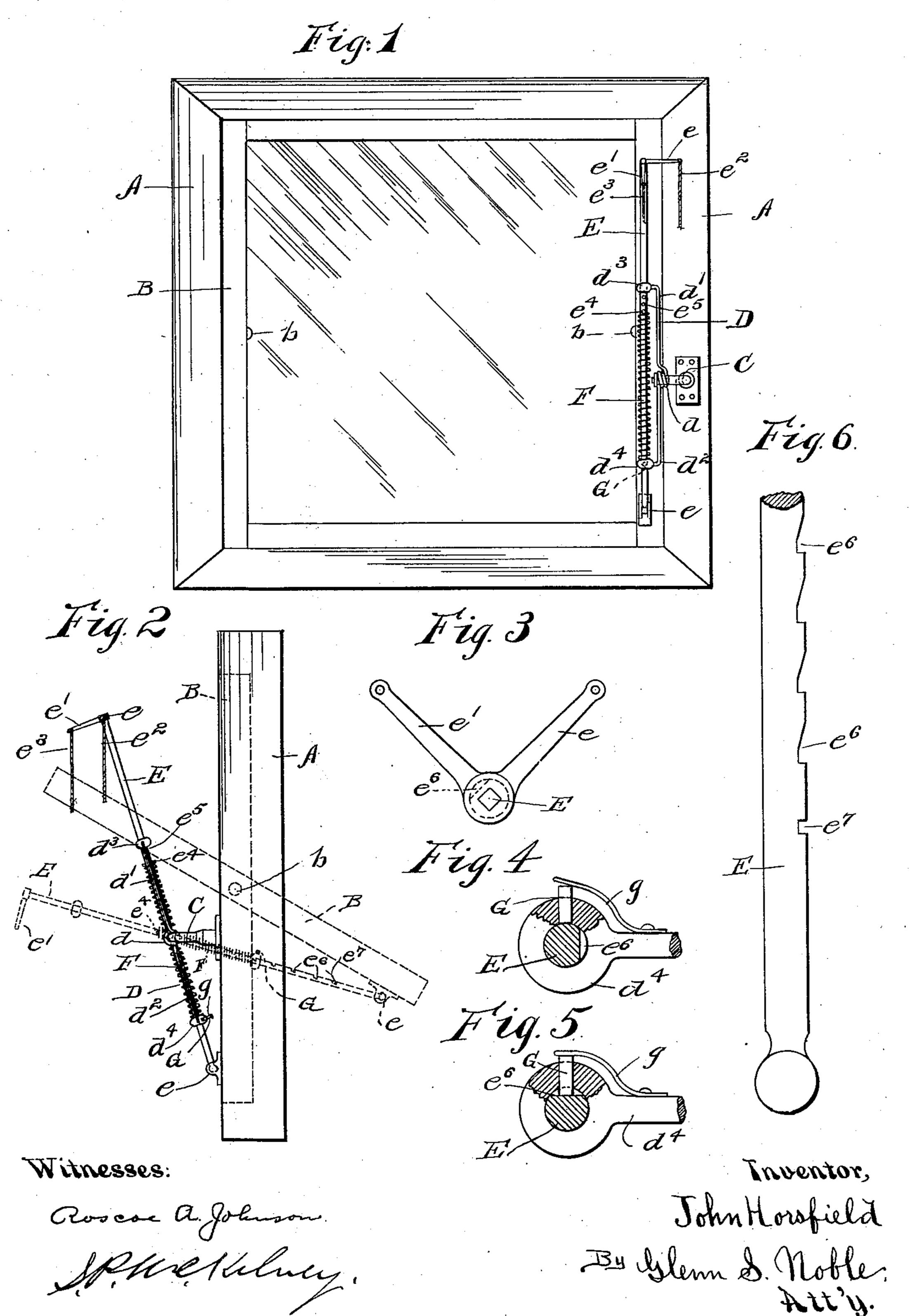
J. HORSFIELD. WINDOW OPENER.

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WINDOW-OPENER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Beitknown that I, John Horsfield, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, 5 have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Window-Openers, of which the following is a specification.

Although for convenience this device is designated as a "window-opener," it is adapted 10 to perform the additional functions of locking the window at any desired point closing the window, and in case of fire automatically releasing and closing the window. Its objects are to provide a device of this character that

15 will be simple in construction and efficient in

operation.

In the accompanying drawings, illustrating a device embodying this invention, Figure 1 is an elevation of a window provided with the 20 opener. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same, showing in dotted lines the window opened. Fig. 3 is a detail of the bell-crank. Figs. 4 and 5 are details showing the operation of the locking-pin. Fig. 6 is a detail of the engagement.

25 notched opening-rod. A represents an ordinary window-frame, in which a sash B is pivoted at b. A gooseneck bracket or bearing C is secured to the frame a short distance below the pivot. A cross-30 arm or swinging bracket D is supported by bearing on the bracket C and is readily swung thereon. For economy of manufacture the cross-arm D is made of stiff wire or rod with a coil d to engage the bearing on the 35 bracket C and arms d' d^2 terminating in loops $d^3 d^4$ at right angles thereto to form bearings for a rod E upon which they slide. The lower end of this rod is secured to the sash at a short distance below the bracket C by 40 a ball-and-socket bearing e, and the upper end is provided with a bell-crank having arms e and e' for the attachment of pull-cords $e^2 e^3$. A compression-spring F, coiled about the rod E, bears against the lower loop d^4 of the cross-

45 arm and against a pin e^4 in the rod, and its tension may be regulated by having two or more holes e^5 for the pin e^4 . In the lower loop d^4 of the cross-arm D is a hole d^5 , in which is a pin or catch G, which is pressed against 50 the rod E by a spring g and is adapted to engage with notches e^6 in the rod E. These

preferably of ratchet form, as shown, and there may be a special notch e^7 for the pin G to engage when the window is closed in order 55 to lock it. For ordinary window-openers the pin G is made of steel; but it may also be made of fusible metal to allow the window to shut automatically in case of fire or when the heat becomes sufficient to melt the pin. 60

The operation of this device is as follows: When the window is to be opened, the cord e² is pulled. This turns the rod E and throws the notches out of engagement with the pin G. A further pull draws the end of the rod 65 down, compresses the spring F, and opens the window. When it is opened the desired amount, a pull on the cord e^3 turns the rod, throws the notches into engagement, and locks the window open. When it is desired to close 70 the window, the cord e^2 is again pulled, which throws the notches again out of engagement, and the spring closes the window. If it is desired to lock it closed, the cord e^3 is given a slight pull, which throws the notch e^7 into 75

If the pin G is made of fusible metal, as above suggested, it is apparent that upon its being melted it will release the notch and allow the spring to close the window.

An important feature of this apparatus which is obvious is its adaptability to windows of any height, as it simply requires a longer pull-cord to operate it. It may also be made in various styles, and although not 85 shown, pins might be placed on the rod to engage with a slot in the lower bearing of the cross-arm, and various alterations in the details of construction will readily suggest themselves as coming within the scope of this in- 90 vention.

I claim-

1. A frame a bracket on said frame, a crossarm pivoted to said bracket, a sash pivoted in said frame, a rod secured to said sash co- 95 acting with said cross-arm, a spring to be given a tension by the movement of said rod in the opening of the sash, and a catch coacting with said rod to lock the sash.

2. In combination with a frame and pivot- 100 window, a bracket on said frame, a cross-arm pivoted to said bracket, a rod slidably engaging lugs or bearings on said arm and secured notches may be of any desired shape, but are | to said window-sash by a ball-and-socket

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hinge, a spring on said rod engaging one of the bearings on said arm and an adjustable pin or stop on said rod, a spring-pressed catch in one of said lugs adapted to engage notches on said rod, and a bell-crank on said rod.

3. In combination, a frame, a pivoted sash in said frame, a bracket on said frame, a cross-arm, provided at its ends with bearings, pivoted to said bracket, a rod, secured to said sash by a universal-joint hinge, adapted to engage with said bearings on the cross-arm, a

spring engaging with said rod and said crossarm, a fusible metal catch or pin adapted to hold said rod in adjustable positions, arms on said rod and cords secured to said arms whereby said rod may be turned to operate the catch and drawn down to open the window.

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