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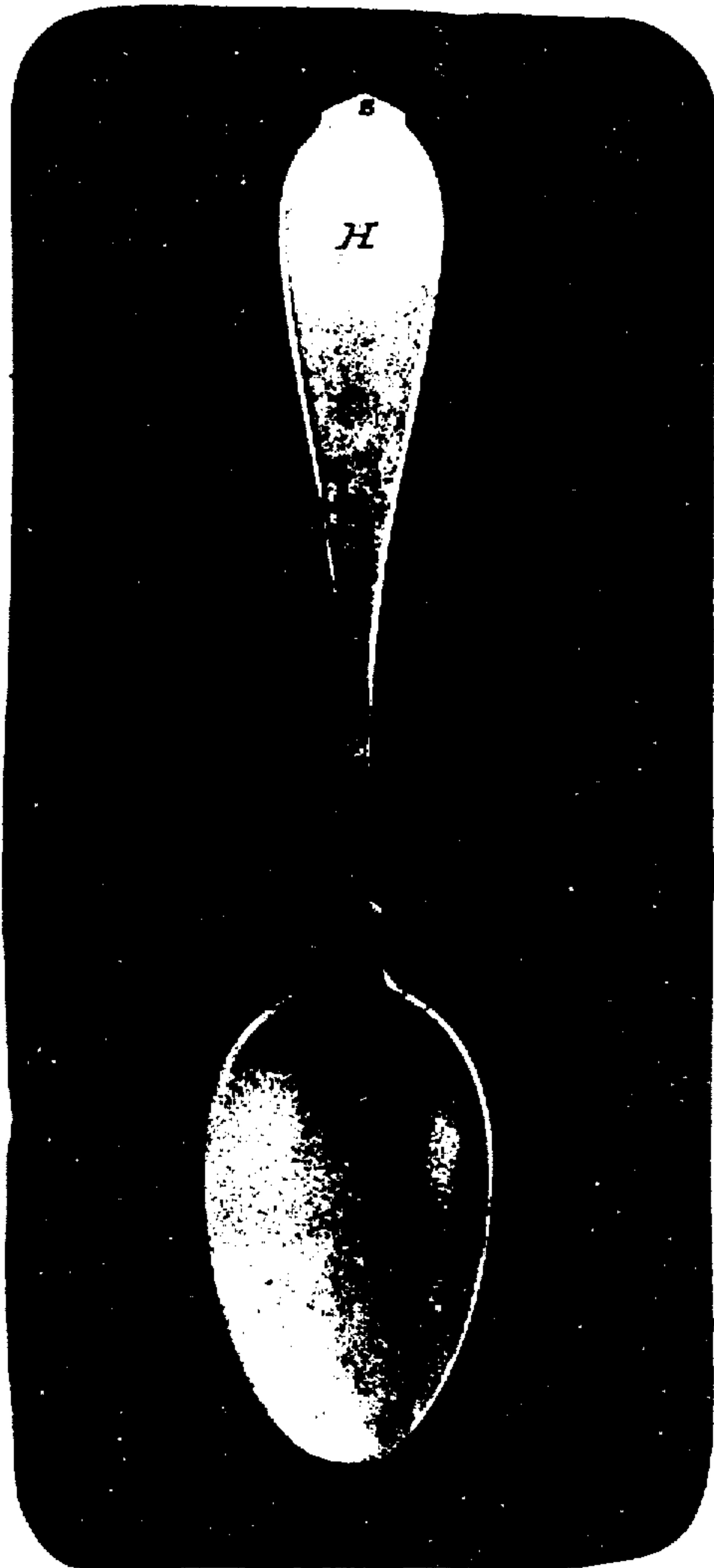
GORHAM MANUFACTURING CO.

ASSIGNEES OF

GEORGE WILKINSON'S

"Italic" Design for Handle of Spoons Forks and other Table Ware.

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GEORGE WILKINSON, OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND, ASSIGNOR TO THE
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Design No. 2,995, dated April 7, 1868.

DESIGN FOR A FORK OR SPOON-HANDLE CALLED "ITALIC."

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, GEORGE WILKINSON, of the city and county of Providence, and State of Rhode Island have originated a new Design for Articles of Silver, and other metals and plated ware, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying specimens or drawings, making part of this specification; that is to say, for a design called the "Italic," for the handles of spoons, forks, and other table-ware and implements, of which—

Figure 1 of the said drawing is a view of the front side of the said design.

The said design consists of the general outline, shape, form, or contour of the handle, as represented, with ornamental configurations of a character suited thereto.

The said outline comprises a flat stem or shaft, J, contracted from the shoulders *f*, and expanding gradually, with an almost imperceptible curve, to the width required for the blade H, thence curving easily toward the extremity of the handle, which terminates in a half-diamond shape peak S.

The surface and edges of this design are without ornamentation of any kind, except so far as is represented in the drawing, that is, with a slightly-rounded or bevelled edge on the front side, extending from the diamond peak S to the point *n* of the stem or shaft, where it commences to expand.

Claim.

I claim the design for the handles of spoons, forks, &c., as herein set forth and shown.

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