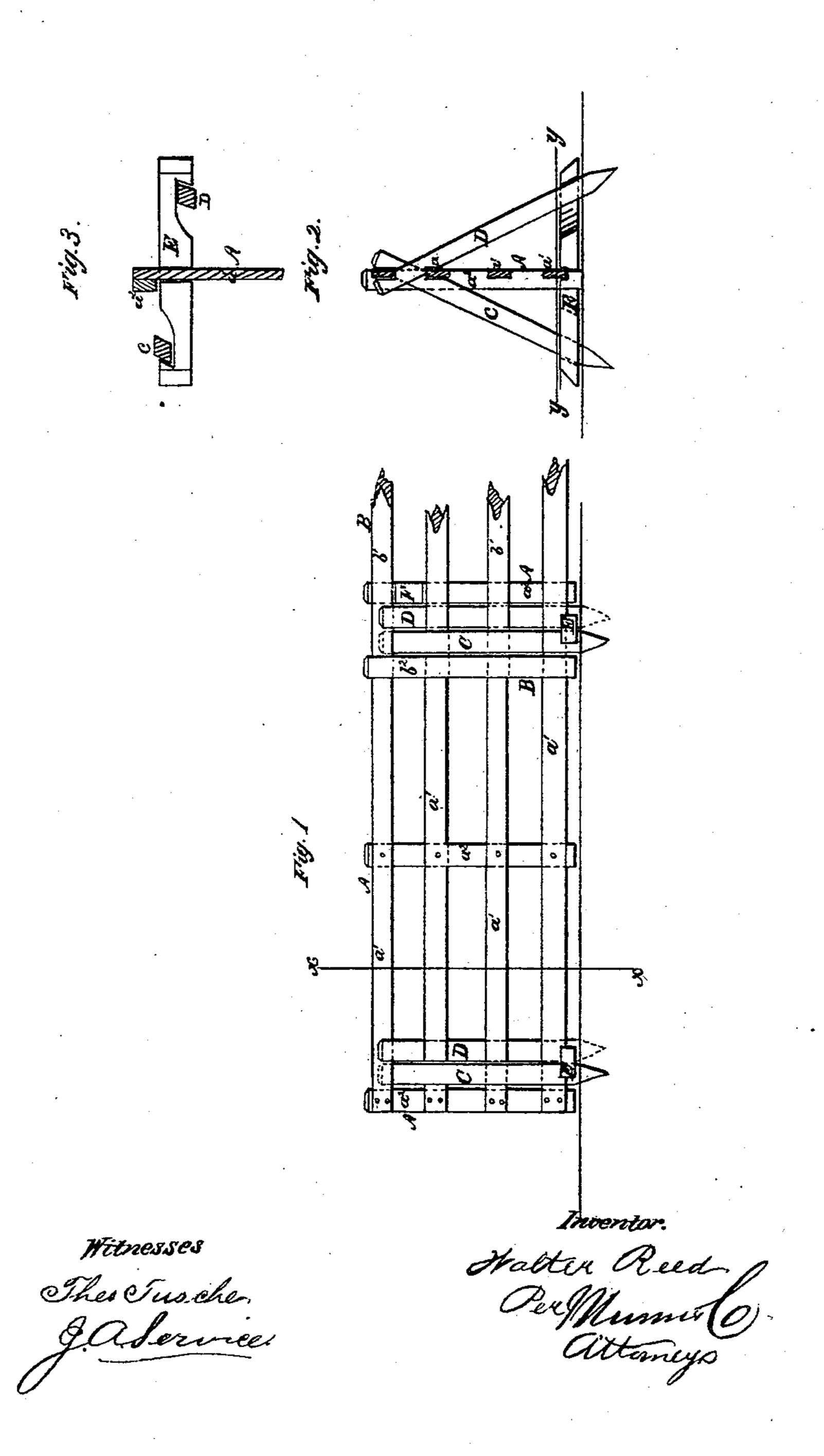
## W. REED.

Portable Fence.

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#### IMPROVEMENT IN FENCES.

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

#### TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, Walter Reed, of Wayne, in the county of Steuben, and State of New York, have invented a new and improved Fence; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a side view of a portion of my improved fence.

Figure 2 is a vertical cross-section of the same taken through the line x x, fig. 1.

Figure 3 is a detail horizontal sectional view of the same taken through the line y y, fig. 2.

Similar letters of reference indicate like parts.

My invention has for its object to furnish an improved fence, simple and cheap in construction, easily and quickly put up and taken down for storage or transportation; and it consists in the combination of the inclined stakes and notched lock-bar with each other, and with the panels of the fence in the manner hereinafter more fully described.

A and B are adjacent panels of the fence, which said panels are formed by attaching the norizontal bars a' and  $b^1$  to the vertical bars  $a^2$  and  $b^2$ , and the panels are connected in such a way that the vertical bars of one panel may be upon the opposite side of the fence from the bars of the adjacent panel or panels, so that the overlapping ends of the said panels may fit closely to each other. C are stakes set or driven into the ground in an inclined position, so that the panel, as A, may hang as suspended from the notches formed in the upper parts of said stakes for the reception of the lower edge of the upper horizontal bar of said panel. D are stakes passed through the panels of the fence in the same manner as the stakes C, but from the opposite side of the panels, so that each pair of stakes may cross each other beneath the upper horizontal bar of the fence. The lower ends of the stakes D may rest upon the surface of the ground or may be slightly driven into it, as may be desired. E is the lock-bar, which is notched near its ends, as shown in fig. 3, to receive the lower parts of the stakes C and D. If desired, the parts of the said stakes that enter notches in the lock-bar E may be chamfered to enable the said bar to take a firmer hold upon them. F is a block attached to the end cross-bar of one panel in such a position as to come between the two upper horizontal bars of the overlapping end of the adjacent panel, so as to keep the two panels in proper relative positions. The lock-bar E has a notch formed in the middle part of its upper side to receive the lower edges of the lower horizontal bars of the panels. When the parts of the fence are all connected, the tendency of the lock-bar E is to slip up upon the stakes C and D; this brings the said bar close up against the lower edge of the fence, binding it firmly together. To remove a panel to allow the passage of teams or cattle, all that is necessary is to spring off the lock-bars E and remove the stakes D; this allows the panel to be lifted off the stakes C and set to one side, thus opening a passage way with less labor and in less time than would be required in removing the bars of an ordinary bar way.

I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent-

An improved fence, formed by the combination of the stakes C and D and lock-bar E with each other and with the panel or panels of the fence, substantially in the manner herein shown and described and for the purpose set forth.

The above specification of my invention signed by me this 30th day of January, 1867.

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