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Imp^d Extension & Clamp Clothes Post.

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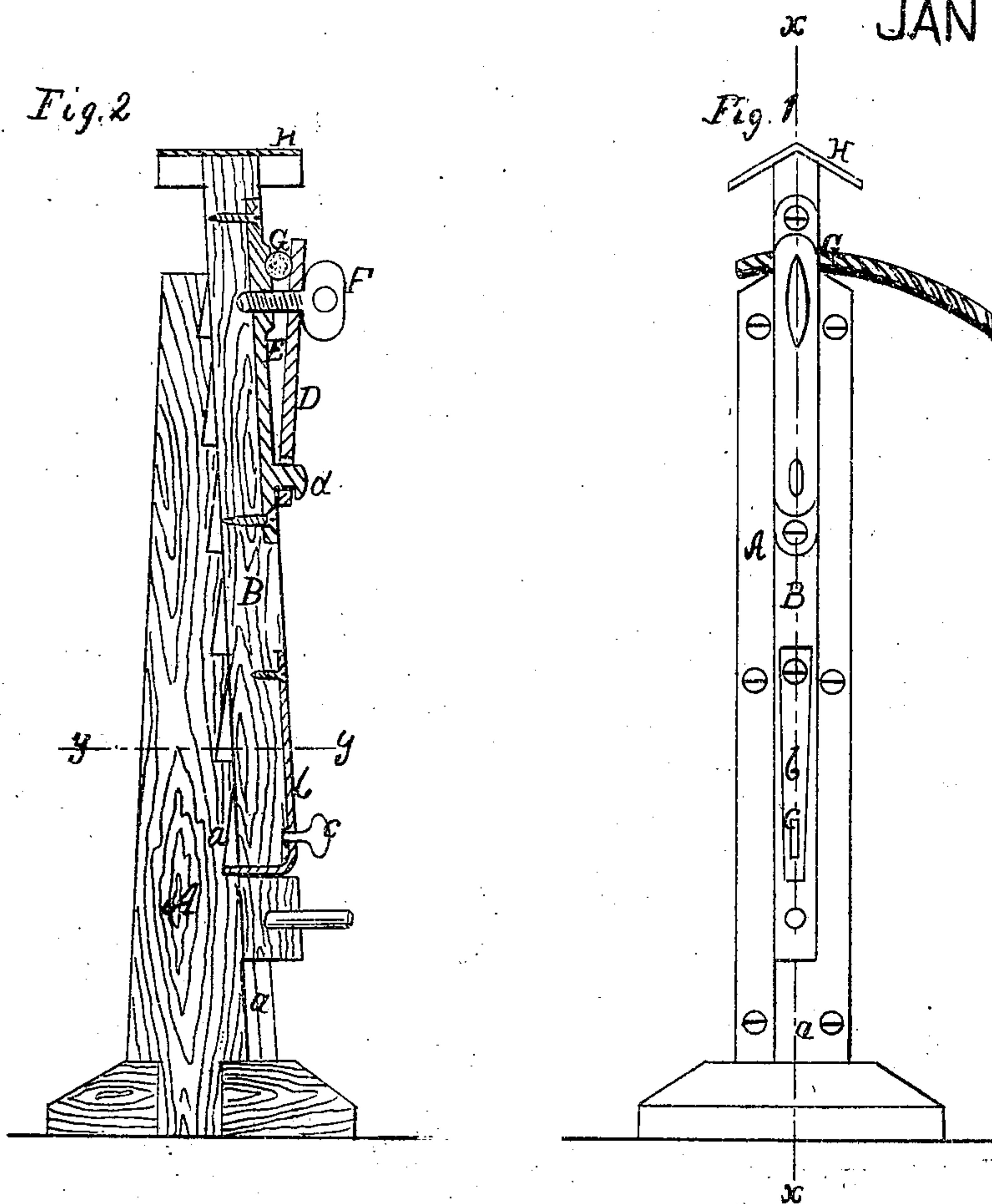
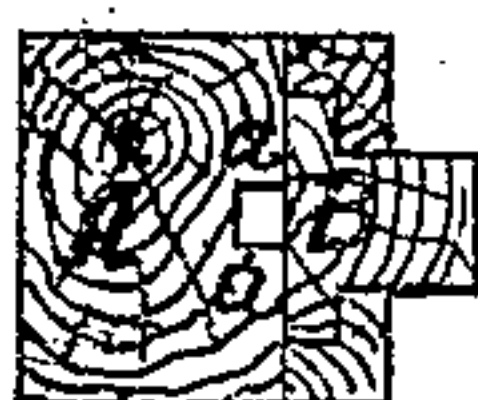


Fig. 3



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IMPROVED EXTENSION CLOTHES-POST.

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 DITTENHAVER, of Napoleon, Henry county, Ohio, have invented a new and improved Extension and Clamp Clothes-Post; 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.

This invention relates to an improvement in clothes-posts, and consists in a post working in a groove, and of a clamp for securing the line. In the accompanying drawings—

Figure 1 is a front view of my improved clothes-post,

Figure 2 is a vertical section thereof at line *x x*, and

Figure 3 is a transverse section at line *y y*.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A A are a post, rail, or wall, having the ratcheted groove *a a*, in which the extension-post B slides, held at the required height by the spring-pawl *b*, which can be raised from the ratchet, to allow the post B to slide, by means of the thumb-piece C. D is a clamp, hinged, or adjusted in some equivalent method, at *d* to plate E, countersunk in the post B. A thumb-screw, F, bolts the clamp D to the plate E, and clamps the rope or line G received between them. A cap, H, serves to protect the metal work and joints from the rain.

The advantages of this improved clothes-post are manifold. The line can be more expeditiously hung and removed, whatever be the state of the weather, there being no knots to secure or untie; the clothes can be hung without the person hanging them standing off the ground, and the posts then hoisted till line and clothes are altogether out of the way.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination of the sliding part B, provided with the spring-pawl *b*, and having the removable clamp D secured to its upper end, and adjusted by means of the thumb-screw F, all constructed and operating substantially as described for the purpose specified.

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