

H.K. FLINCHBAUGH'S IMPROVEMENT IN FENCE POSTS.

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Fig. 1

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Fig. 2.

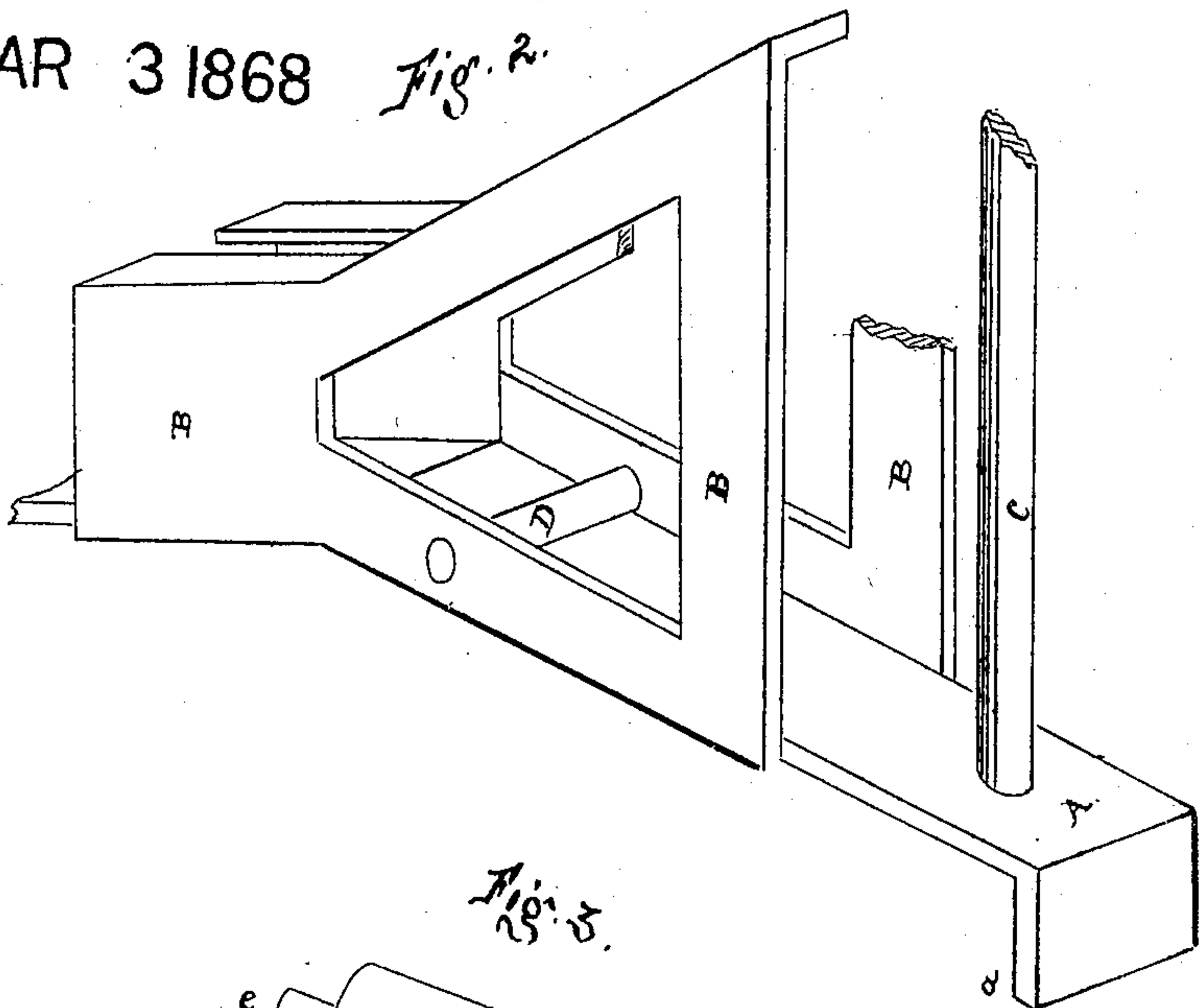
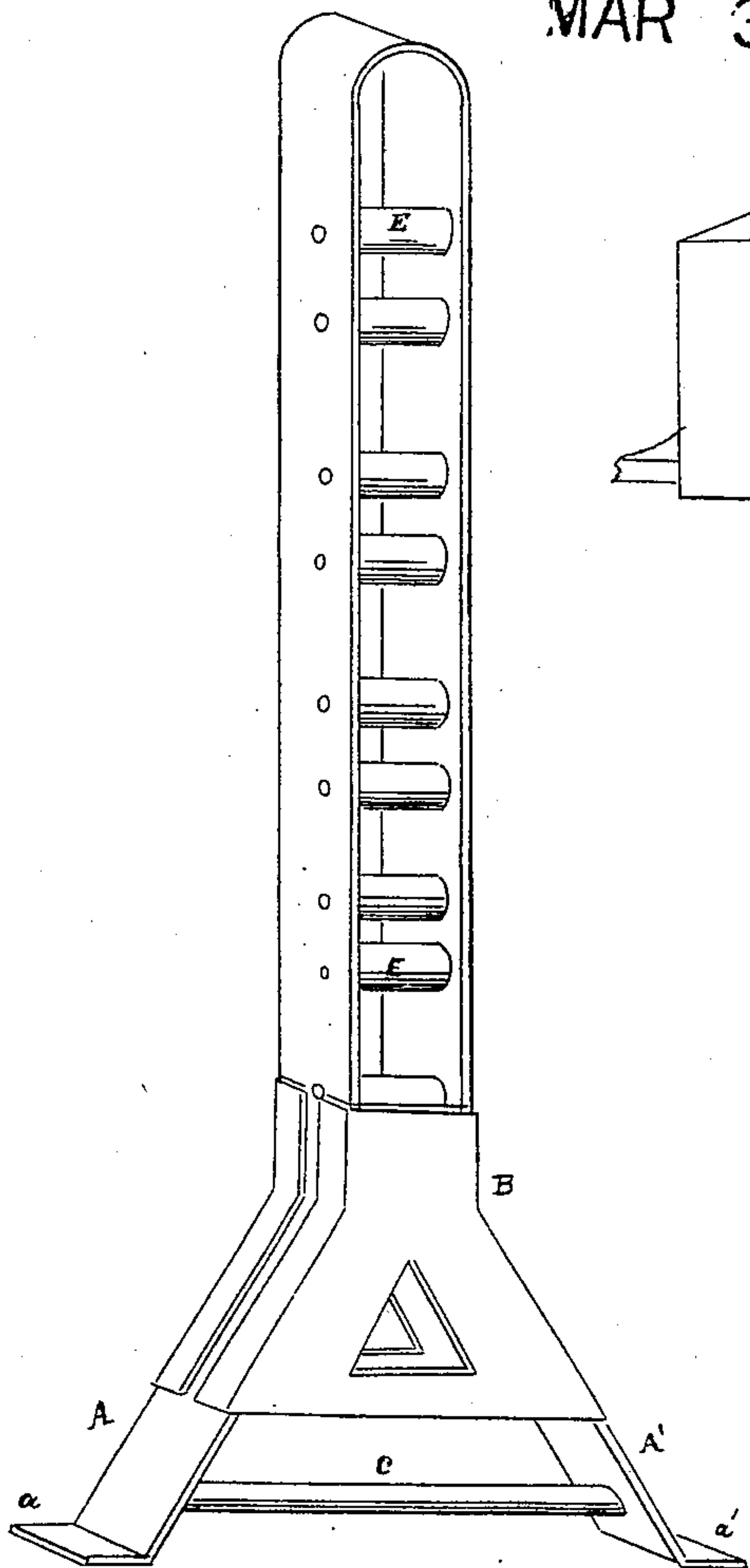
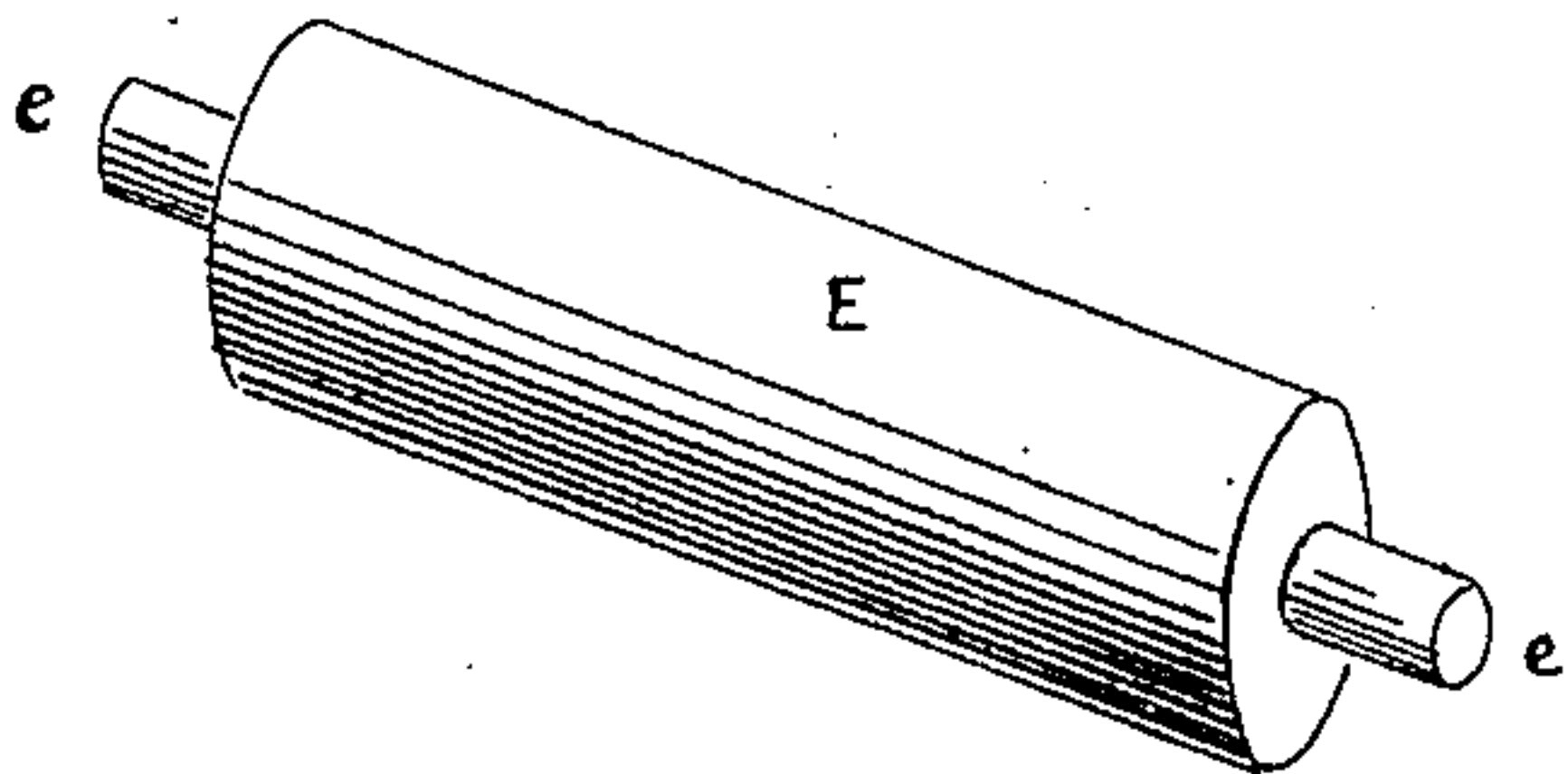


Fig. 3.



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IMPROVEMENT IN FENCE-POSTS.

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, HENRY K. FLINCHBAUGH, of Conestoga Centre, in the county of Lancaster, and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and improved Mode of Constructing Metallic Posts for Fencing Purposes; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my post,

Figure 2 the construction of the spread base,

Figure 3, an intermediate rail-support, as shown.

The nature of my invention consists in constructing a post for a rail fence out of strap-iron, one inch wide and one-fourth of an inch thick, bent round above in a continuous piece, to form two sides and a spreading base, with intervening rests for the rails.

The drawings will enable any one skilled in the art to make and use my invention.

I have previously a supply of hollow cylinders, E, cast, and a supply of strap-iron cut to the desired length, and a guide-measure for drilling the holes for the cross or rail-supports *e* or cylinders E. The strap is first bent to form a foot, *a*, the side A carried up and rounded at top, and bent parallel to form the other side A' and foot *a'*. The cylinders E are introduced, and round iron or headed bolts *e* passed through the sides and cylinder, and secured by riveting or otherwise. To stiffen the spread base, I affix triangular caps B and cross-braces C D in the manner shown. This forms the post.

I am aware that the simple drawing may seem the same as when posts are made of two rails, with intervening blocks and a braced or spread base; such I do not claim. The novelty of my post consists in the manner of its construction and combination of the material specified.

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

The manner of constructing the sides A of a post for a rail fence from strap-iron, in combination with the cap B on the spread base, with its feet *a* and braces C D arranged substantially in the manner shown and specified.

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