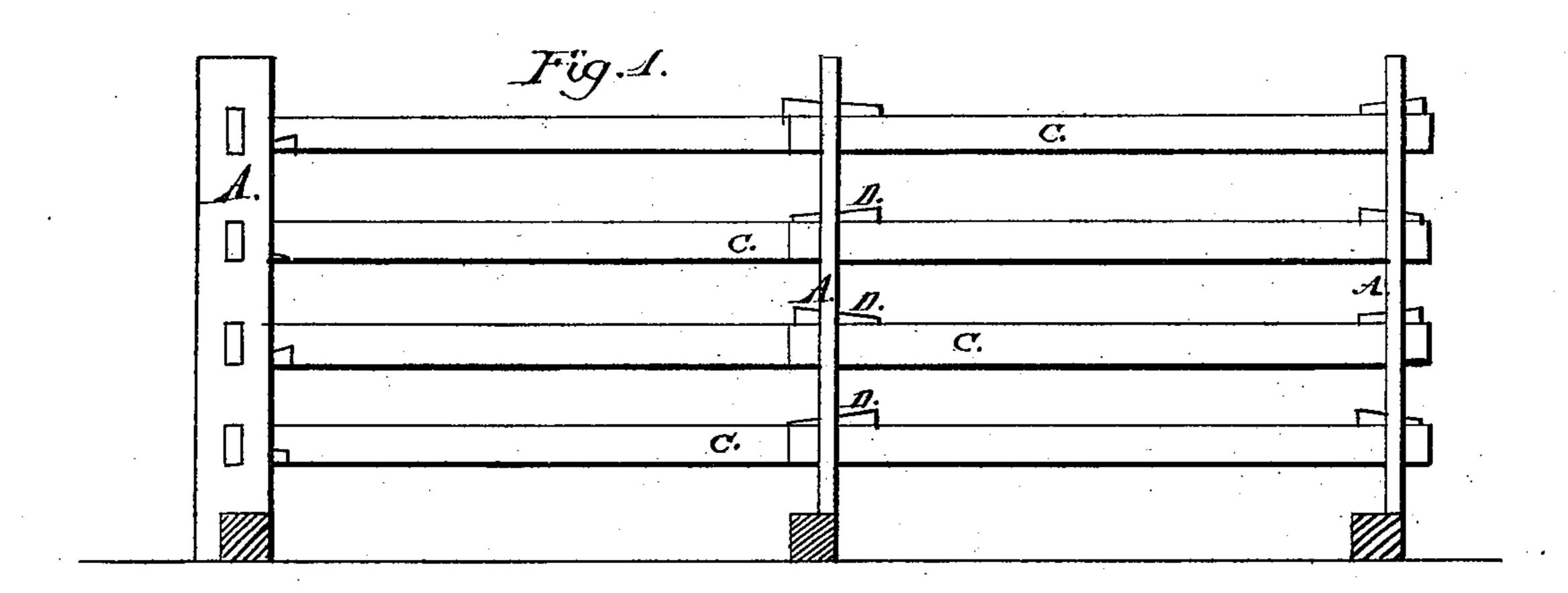
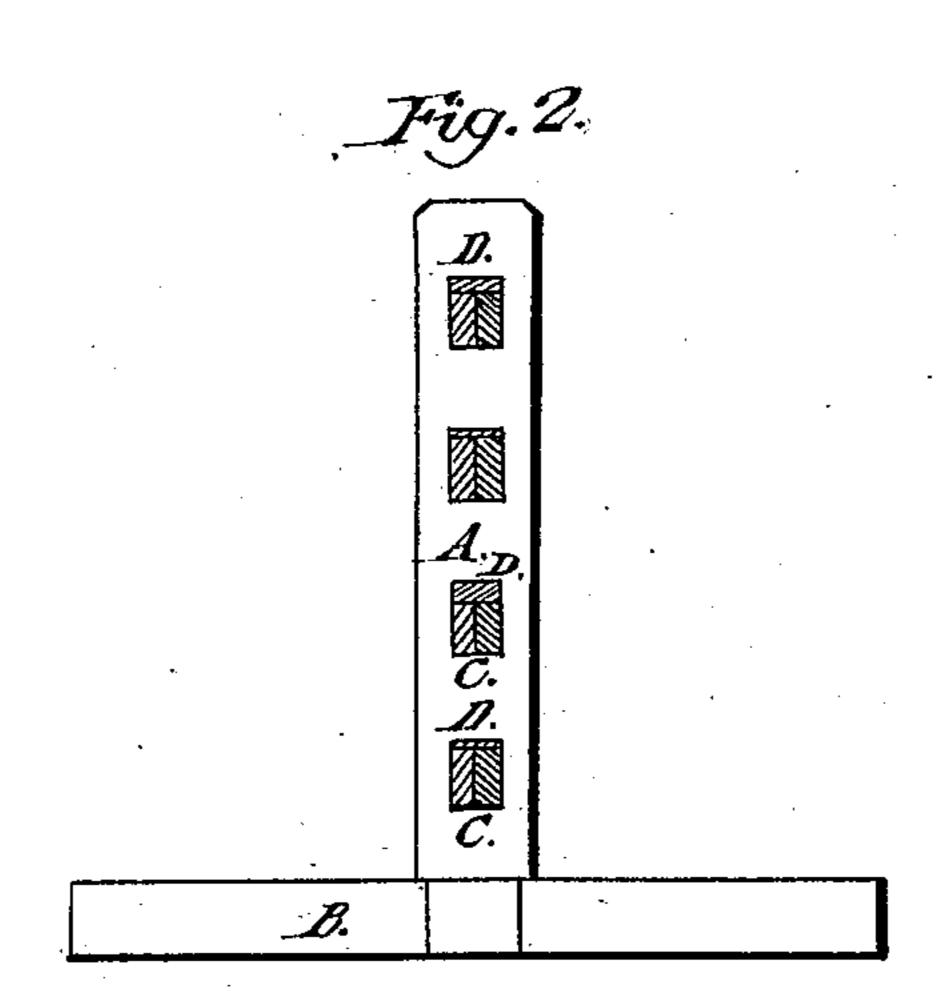
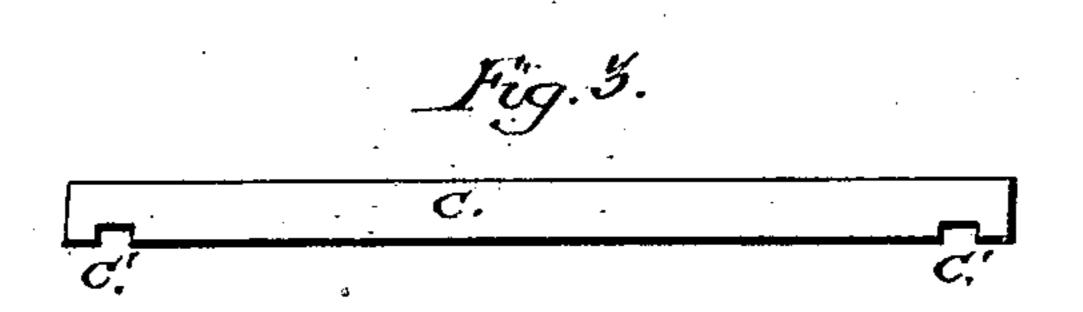
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IMPROVEMENT IN FARM-FENCE.

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, WILLIAM JASPER, of Columbia, in the county of Lorain, and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Farm-Fence; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and complete description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a side view of the fence.

Figure 2, an end view.

Figure 3, a detached section.

Like letters of reference refer to like parts in the different views.

The nature of this invention relates to a farm-fence, so constructed that the rails or boards thereof are secured to the posts thereof by gains and wedges, thereby dispensing with the use of nails, &c.

In fig. 1, A represents the posts, which are nailed to

or otherwise secured to the sills B.

In said posts are cut holes, more or less in number, according to the number of rails C to be used, and in which they are inserted, as shown in the drawing, fig. 2.

In each end of the boards is cut a notch, or gain, C', fig. 3, whereby the rail is secured to the post as fol-

lows:
The end of the rail is inserted in the matrix, with
the notch downward, so that the said notch will em-

brace the lower edge of the hole. This being done, the opposite end is received by a post, in the same way, thus completing one panel of the fence.

The second panel is put up by inserting the ends of the rails in the same holes or mortises, alongside of those aforesaid, in which they are then keyed by the wedges D being driven in upon the upper edges of the two rails, as shown in fig. 1, thereby firmly securing the rails to the post.

It will be observed that the wedges are driven in on each side of the postalternately, thereby adding greatly to the strength of the lock or joint of each panel.

A fence, thus constructed, is simple, durable, and very convenient, as one panel can be easily taken down for a passage-way, without disturbing those on either side.

What I claim as my improvement, and desire to se-

cure by Letters Patent, is—

The herein-described fence, when constructed substantially as herein described, consisting of the notched rails C, wedges D, posts A, and sills, for the purpose set forth.

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