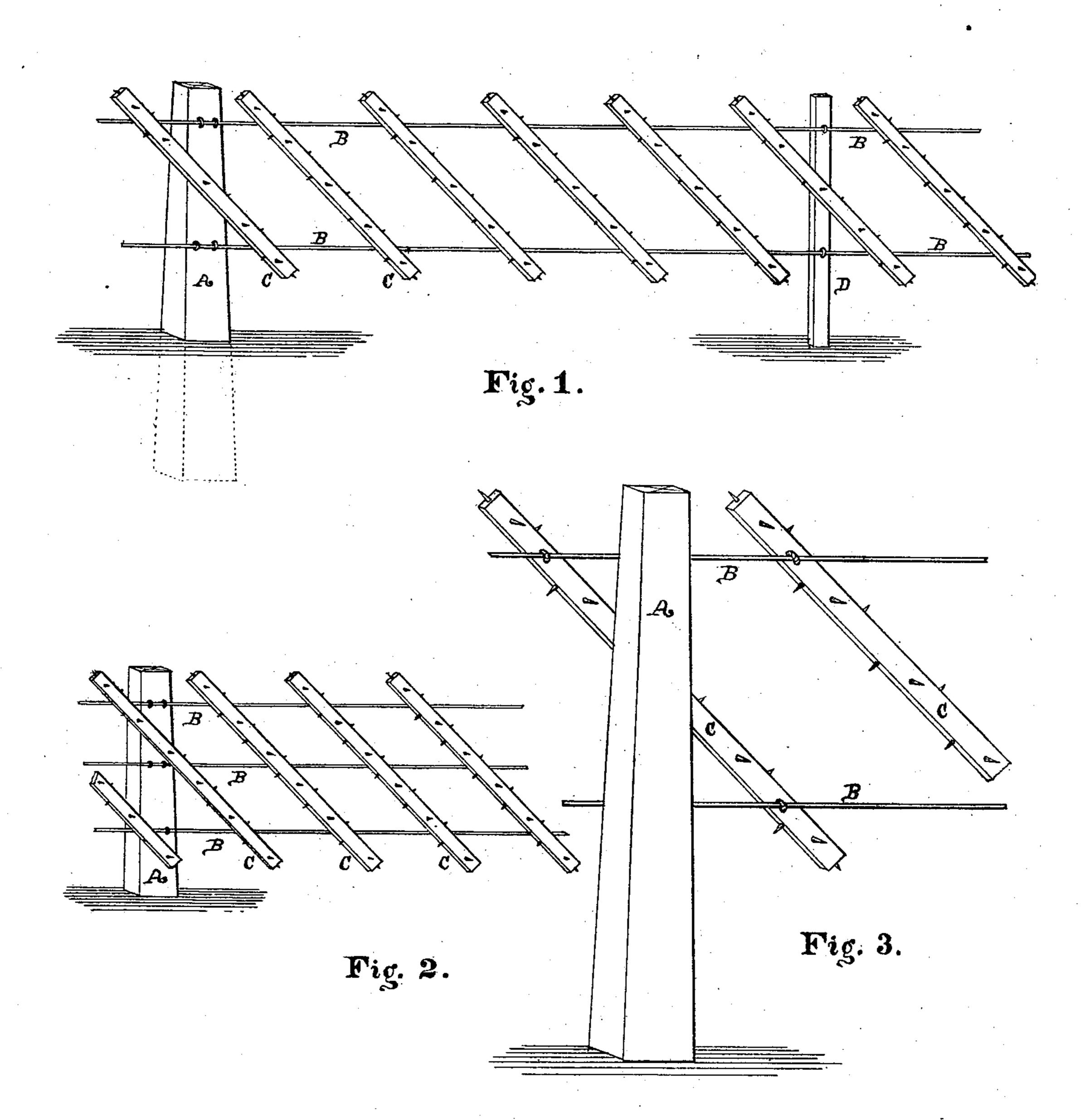
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IMPROVEMENT IN WIRE FENCES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Lyman B. King, Jr., of Lincoln, in the county of Lancaster and State of Nebraska, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Fences; 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 which it pertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention consists in combining with a wire fence, composed of two or more wires, diagonal barbed pickets, which are secured to said wires, all as hereinafter fully described.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents part of a section of my improved fence as made to turn cattle, horses, &c. Fig. 2 represents a fence made upon the same general plan as the above, but of closer construction, while Fig. 3 shows on a larger scale the appearance of the fence, Fig. 1, as seen from the rear.

In the several figures, the wires B B are fastened to the posts A A with staples in the usual manner, two staples being used for each wire. Midway between the posts A A I place a light support, D, which rests upon the ground, and is fastened to the wires with staples. The slats C C, &c., are made of one-inch by two-inch slats of wood, and armed

with steel barbs, which should project about three-quarters of an inch. The slats C C should be about four feet in length, and, armed with the barbs, as above referred to, they should be placed diagonally across the wires, and secured in place by means of staples.

Special attention is called to the diagonal position of the slats CC, by which they are held firmly in place when stapled to only two plain wires, or doubly so by a third wire, as shown in Fig. 2. The distance between the slats, measured on the wires, should be about two feet for the style of fence shown in Fig. 1, and from twelve to sixteen inches for the style shown in Fig. 2; also, for the latter style of fence, the slats should be from five to six feet in length.

Having thus fully described my invention, I claim—

The combination, with a wire fence, consisting of the posts A and two or more wires, B, of the diagonally-arranged barbed pickets C, secured thereto substantially as described, for the purpose herein specified.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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Witnesses: W. W. Holmes, ARTEMAS ROBERTS.