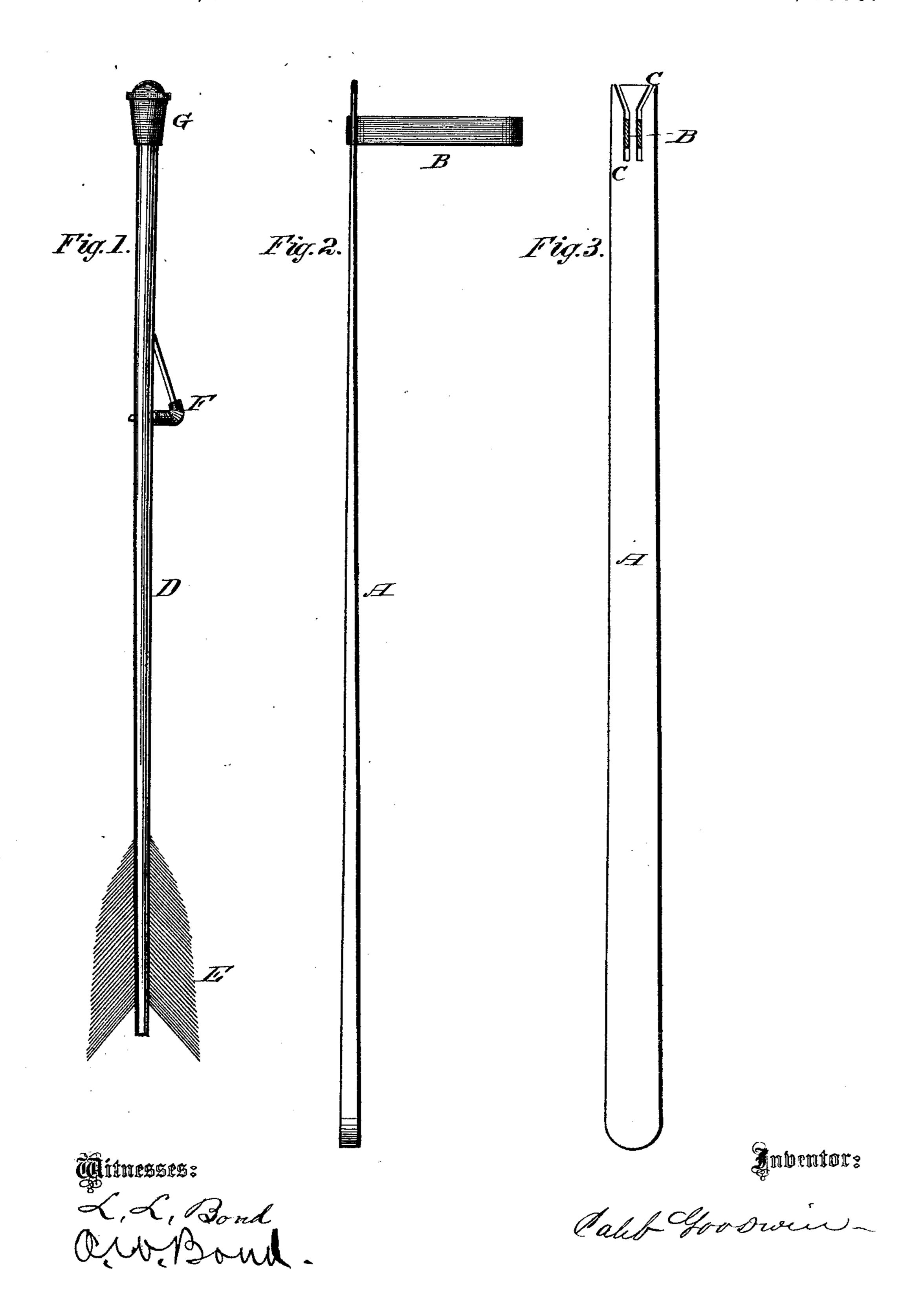
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## BOWS AND ARROWS.

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## IMPROVEMENT IN BOWS AND ARROWS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CALEB GOODWIN, of the city of Chicago, Cook county, State of Illinois, have invented anew and useful Improvement in Bows and Arrows, of which the following is a full description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is an elevation of an arrow; Fig. 2, an edge view of a hand bar or spring; Fig.

3, a side view of the same.

The nature of this invention consists in providing a hand bar or spring with an elastic loop, and in providing the arrow with a side projection and an elastic head, as hereinafter more fully described.

In the drawings, A represents the hand bar or spring; B, the elastic loop; C C, the grooves for attaching the loop; D, the arrow; E, the feather; F, the side projection or catch;

G, the elastic head.

The hand bar or spring A may be made either of wood or spring metal. At its outer end it is provided with slots C, for holding the loop B in place. The loop B is made of a rubber band of such size and strength as may be desired.

The arrow D may be made in the form shown, or it may be tapered both ways from the catch F. Its tip is provided with a pasteboard or other suitable feather, which may be attached to the side; or the shaft may be slit, so as to form both sides of the feather of a single piece.

The head of the arrow is provided with a rubber tip, G, to prevent the arrow from causing damage when used in the house; and this head furnishes a means of chalking or blacking the end of the arrow, so as to have a mark in shooting at targets.

The catch F may be made of a piece of bent wire, driven in as shown. When so made, it is wound with a piece of leather or cloth to prevent its cutting the rubber or elastic loop B.

In operation, the catch F is placed in the loop B, and the arrow drawn back till a sufficient strain is obtained, when it is released in the usual manner. By this arrangement a double spring is obtained, so that the arrow may be propelled with considerable force, if desired.

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

1. The combination of the hand-bar A, provided with the slots or openings C, with the spring-loop B, constructed and attached together substantially as described.

2. The combination of the springing handbar A, provided with the detachable springloop B, with the arrow D, provided with the catch F, substantially as set forth.

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