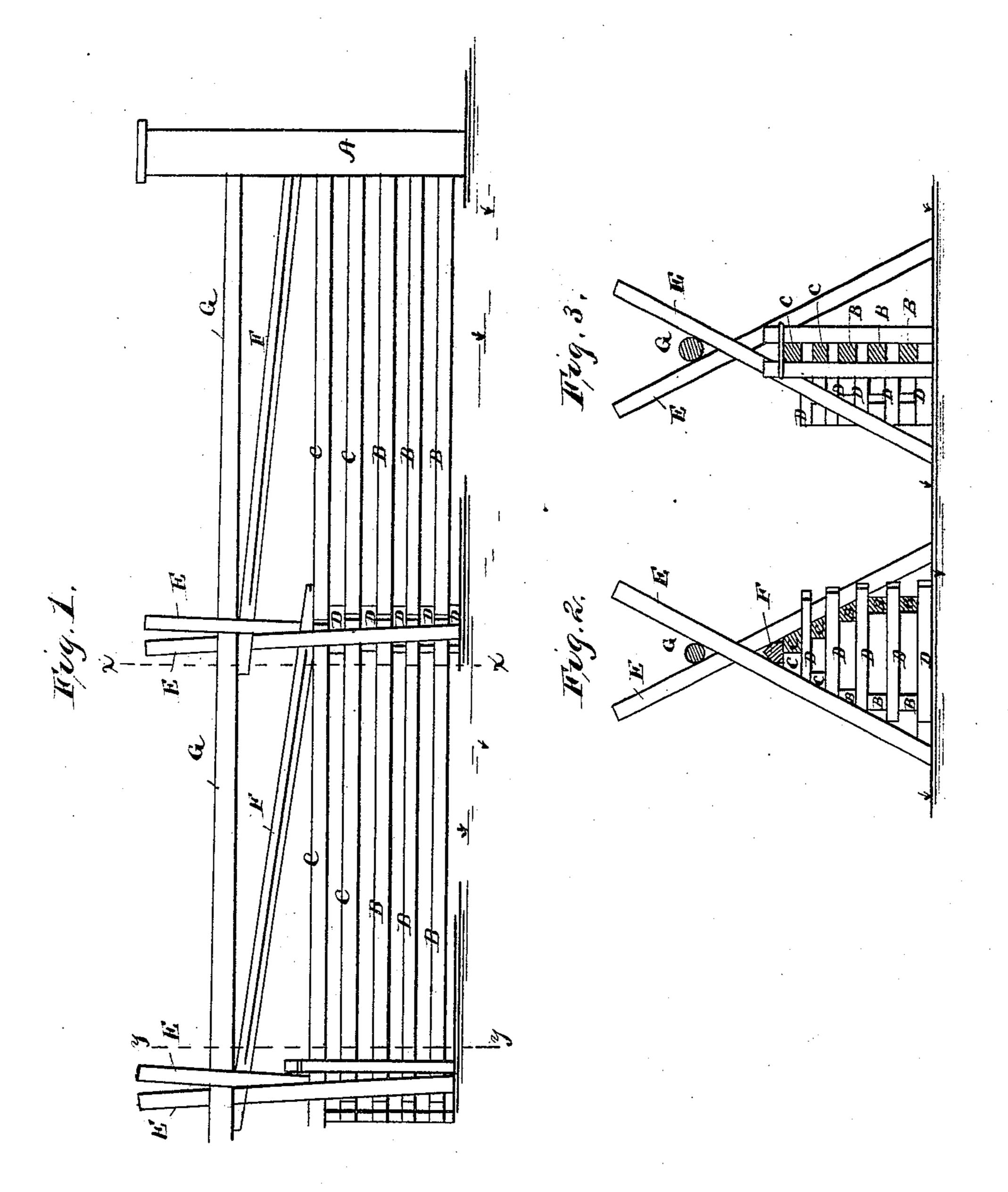
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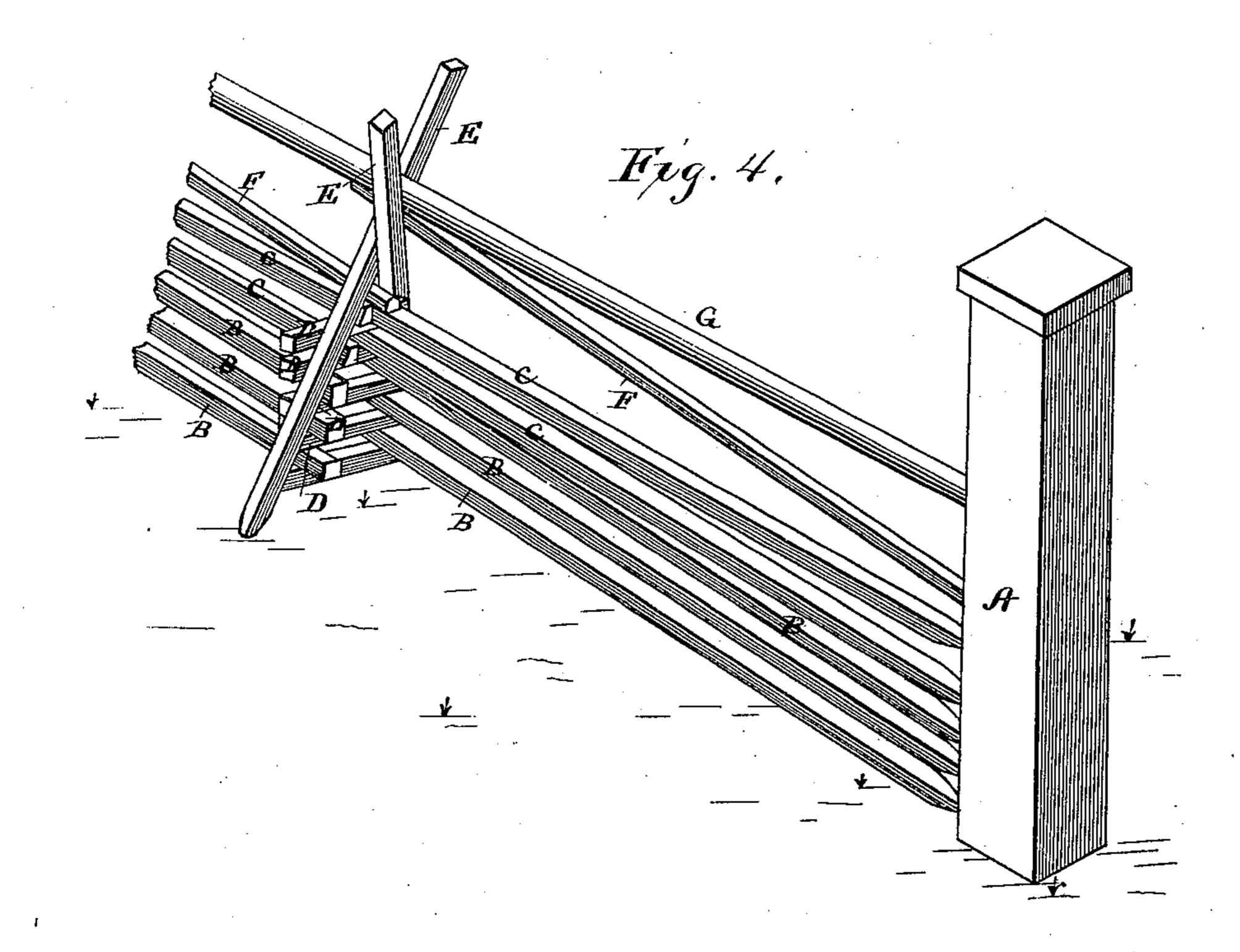
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Andrew R. Stormont, of Princeton, in the county of Gibson, and in the State of Indiana, 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, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked to thereon, making a part of this specification.

This invention relates to certain improvements in fences; and it has for its object to provide a fence which is economical in construction, convenient to build, and which will form an impassable barrier to stock. These objects I attain by the means illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a side elevation of my improved fence; Fig. 2, a sectional view taken vertically and transversely on the line x x of Fig. 1; Fig. 3, a vertical transverse section on the line y y of Fig. 1, and Fig. 4 a perspective view of my improved fence.

The letter A indicates a vertical post, forming the starting-point of my improved fence. The said post is suitably socketed for the reception of the ends of the first section of rails, which are arranged as more fully hereinafter specified. The lower rails, as indicated by the letters B B B and C C, are arranged in zigzag sections, their ends resting on short obliquely laid cross-pieces D, and held thereon by means of the crossed stakes E, driven in the ground on opposite sides of the fence. The three lower rails, B B B, of each section are arranged vertically one above the other; but the rails C C of the respective sections set inwardly,

as indicated in Figs. 1 and 4 of the drawings. From the lower crotch between each of the crossed stakes extends an inclined rail, F, into 40 the upper crotch between the next succeeding stakes. The lower end of each rail F bears upon the upper rails, C, and the upper ends of said rails F are confined in their seats by means of a longitudinal bar or rail, G.

As constructed, it will be perceived that the fence-sections are irregular on each side, forming a fence that cannot be readily climbed from either side like the ordinary fences of this class, as the inclined position of the lower rails, 50 which ordinarily form an easy means of ascent for small animals, is offset by the continuous straight position of the upper rails, F and G, the whole forming an insurmountable barrier to the passage of such small animals. 55

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination, in a fence, of the rails B B B, arranged in line one above the other, the 60 rails C C, located above the rails B B B and out of line with the same to serve as a barrier to prevent animals from jumping the fence, the inclined rails F and crossed stakes E, the longitudinal rail G, and the cross-pieces D, in-65 terposed between the rails B B B and C C, substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature, in presence of two witnesses, this 8th day of October, 1881.

ANDREW R. STORMONT.

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