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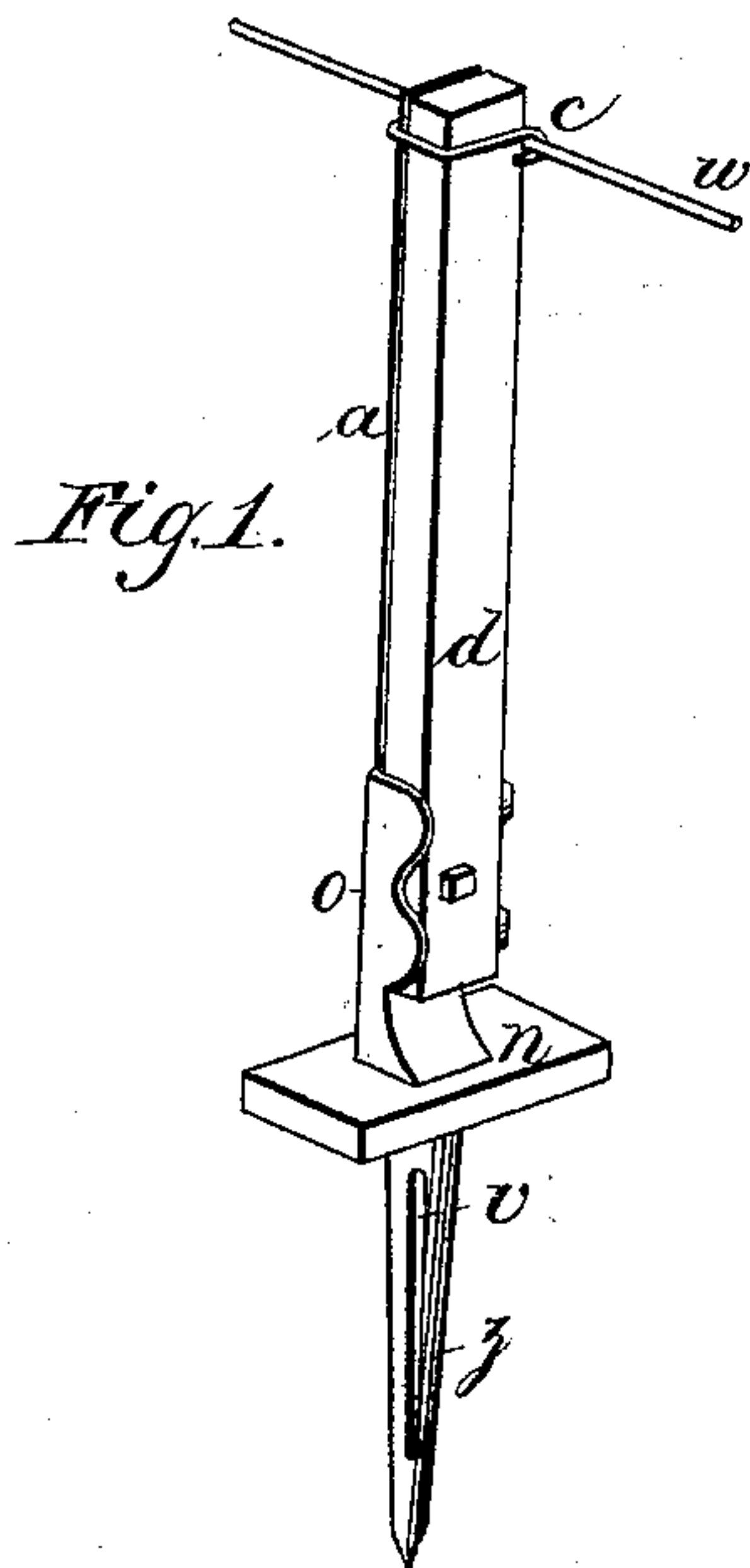


Fig. 3.

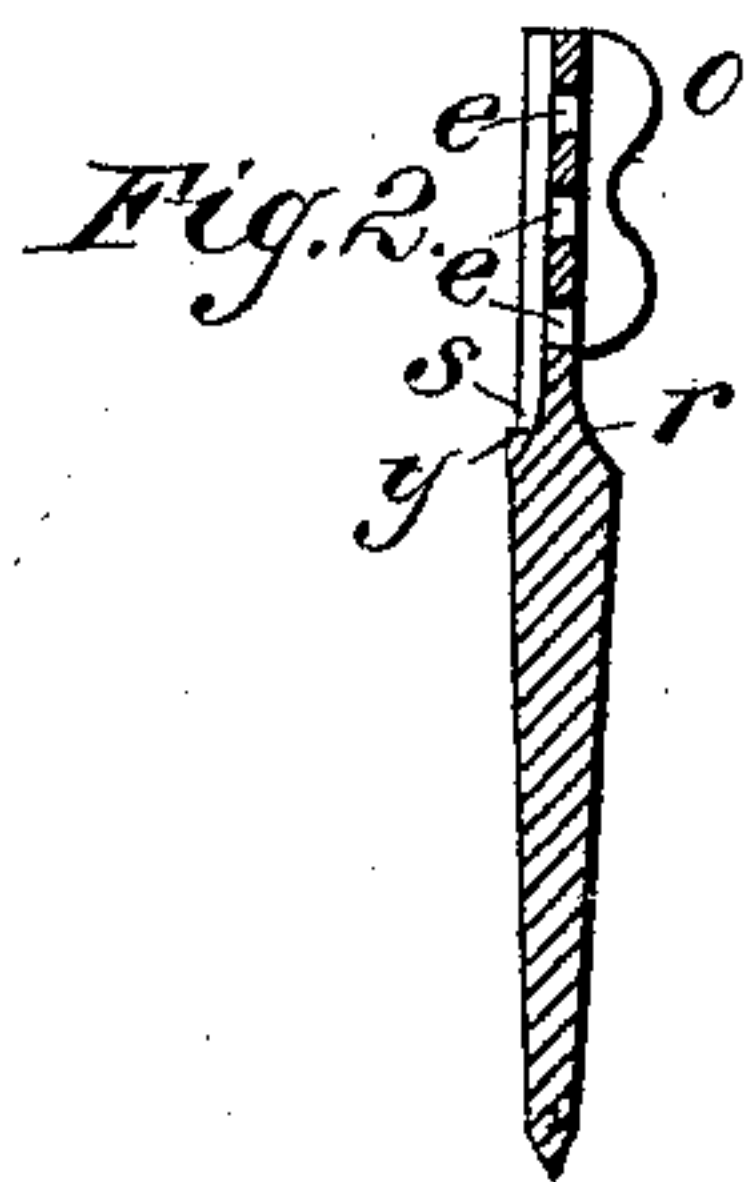
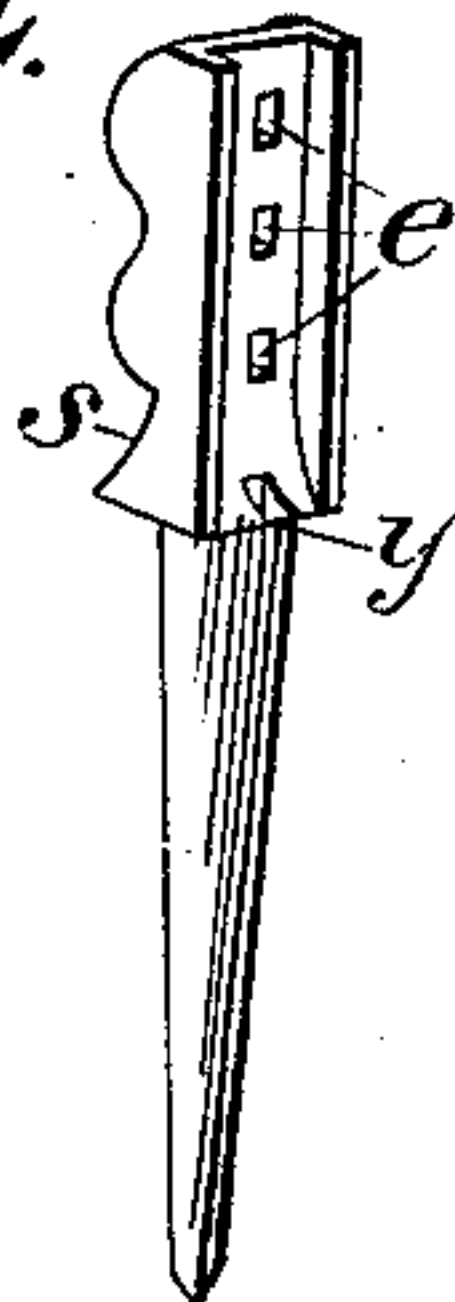


Fig. 4.



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FENCE-POST.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ISAIAH JOHNSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Alliance, in the county of Stark and State of Ohio, have
5 invented a new and useful Improvement in Fence-Posts, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a novel mode of anchoring fencing-posts in the earth, by means
10 of which they are made firm; also, in connection with the same, the metallic supports *a* and the wooden part *d*.

In reference to the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the improved
15 post with its connections. Fig. 2 is a cross-section of the metallic part of the post, showing its recesses, curves, &c. Fig. 3 is a view of the clamp *c*. Fig. 4 is a back view of the anchor or metallic part of said post, showing
20 the back recess, with its curve *s*, Fig. 2, and the letters *e*, *s*, *o*, *r*, and *z* exhibit the metallic base of the post which passes through the base *n*. The said metallic base is made of cast-iron, and is provided with the curved recesses
25 *r* and *s*. The object of said recesses is to hold the post firmly in its place, the curves being for the purpose of making the wooden portion, with its metallic support, self-adjusting, so that in case it becomes loose, either by wear or
30 shrinkage, it will sink down and tighten by

following the curves *s* and *r*, which form a swell.

n is a solid base formed of terra-cotta, stone, or other suitable material. The object of said base is to aid in rendering the anchorage of
35 said post firm. *c* is a self-adjusting clamp, which serves the double purpose of holding the metallic part *a* and the wooden part *d* together and at the same time holding the wire *w*.
40 *e e e* are holes in the said base for holding the bolts with which the base and the upright portion are connected. *v* is a groove in the metallic base, which aids in rendering the anchorage of said post firm. *y* is a V-shaped
45 swell which aids in holding the wooden portion of the post in its place.

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

In combination with a fence-post composed of the wooden parts *d* and the metallic strength-
50 ening-plate *a*, a cast-iron base to which said parts are bolted, the base being provided, for the purpose of receiving said parts, with opposite recesses *s* and *r* at its upper end, which recesses are curved outward at the bottom,
55 substantially as shown and described.

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