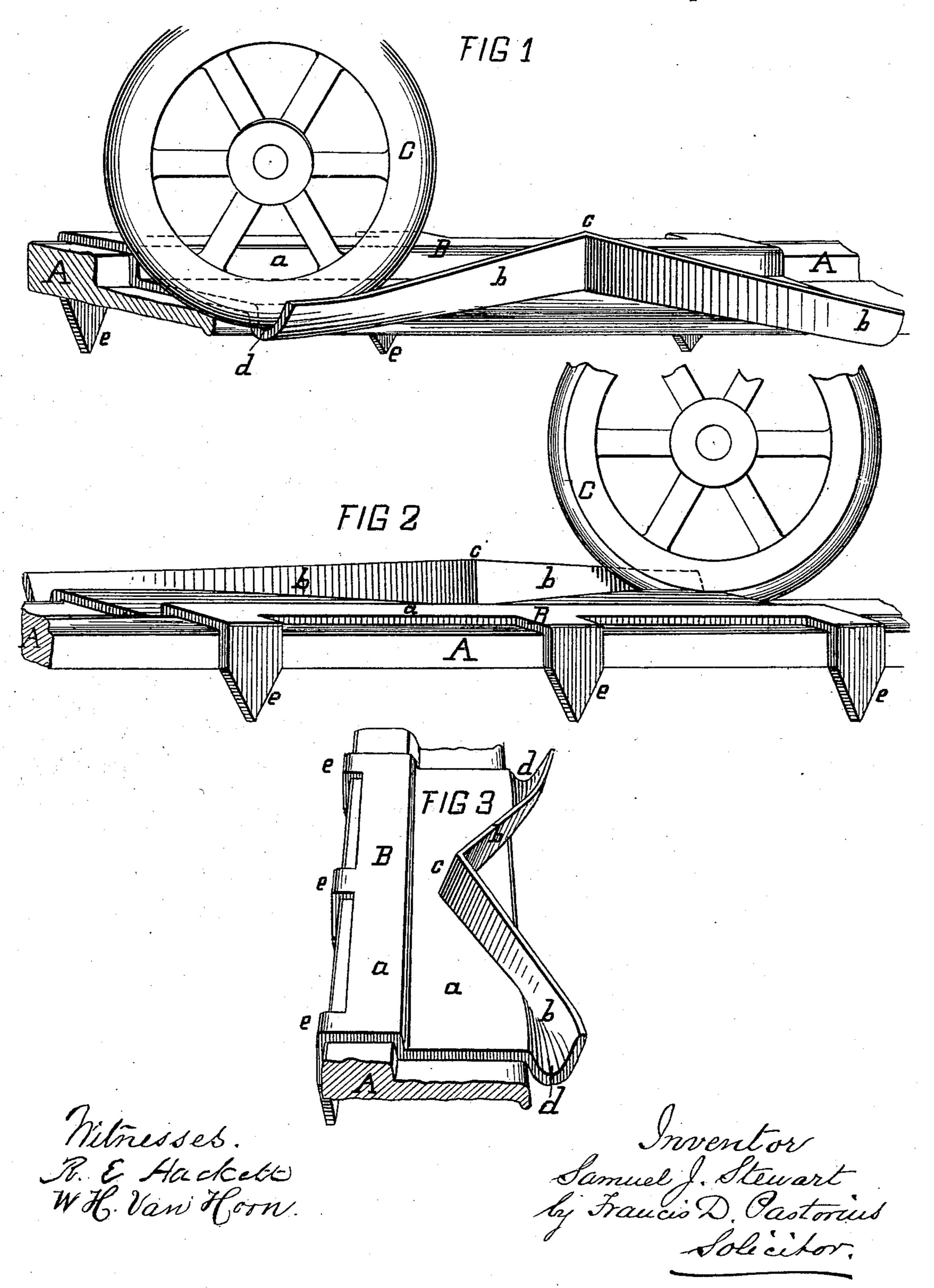
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CAR TRACKER.

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CAR-TRACKER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL J. STEWART, a citizen of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Car-Tracker, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to replacing railwaycars on their tracks. I accomplish this by temporarily fixing a guide-plate at the point of displacement. The general arrangement of the rail and tracker will be understood from the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation, viewed from between the rails. Fig. 2 is the same as Fig. 1, with the exception that it is taken from outside the rails; and Fig. 3 is a plan view.

Similar letters refer to similar parts in the several views.

A is a railway-track of any pattern. B is a tracker, the plate a of which should, if possible, differ but little from the shape of the rail A. It has, in this instance, two upwardly-projecting flanges, b, which incline to a suitable point, c, and terminate in depressions d. When placed on the rail A it is maintained in position by means of depending holdfasts e, which take against the outside of the rail, and the depressions d of the flanges bearing on the inside of the same.

When a car gets off the track the device B can be fixed on the rail A before the front off wheel, C, between the rails. On starting the car the wheel will be caught in the depression d, and by running against the flange b it will 35 be forced in that direction until it takes its place on the rail. The effort replaces the other wheels.

I have illustrated and described the device B constructed with two diverging flanges, b, to so that it can be used on either rail. I wish it distinctly understood that I do not confine myself to one or two flanges, but will use either or both, as circumstances may require.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to 45 secure by Letters Patent, is—

The car tracker or replacer B, consisting of the plate a, formed to fit the upper surface of the rail, and provided with the holdfasts e, one or more oblique flanges, b, projecting from the 50 inner edge of said plate, and the depressed portions d at the outer end of said flanges, substantially as described.

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