

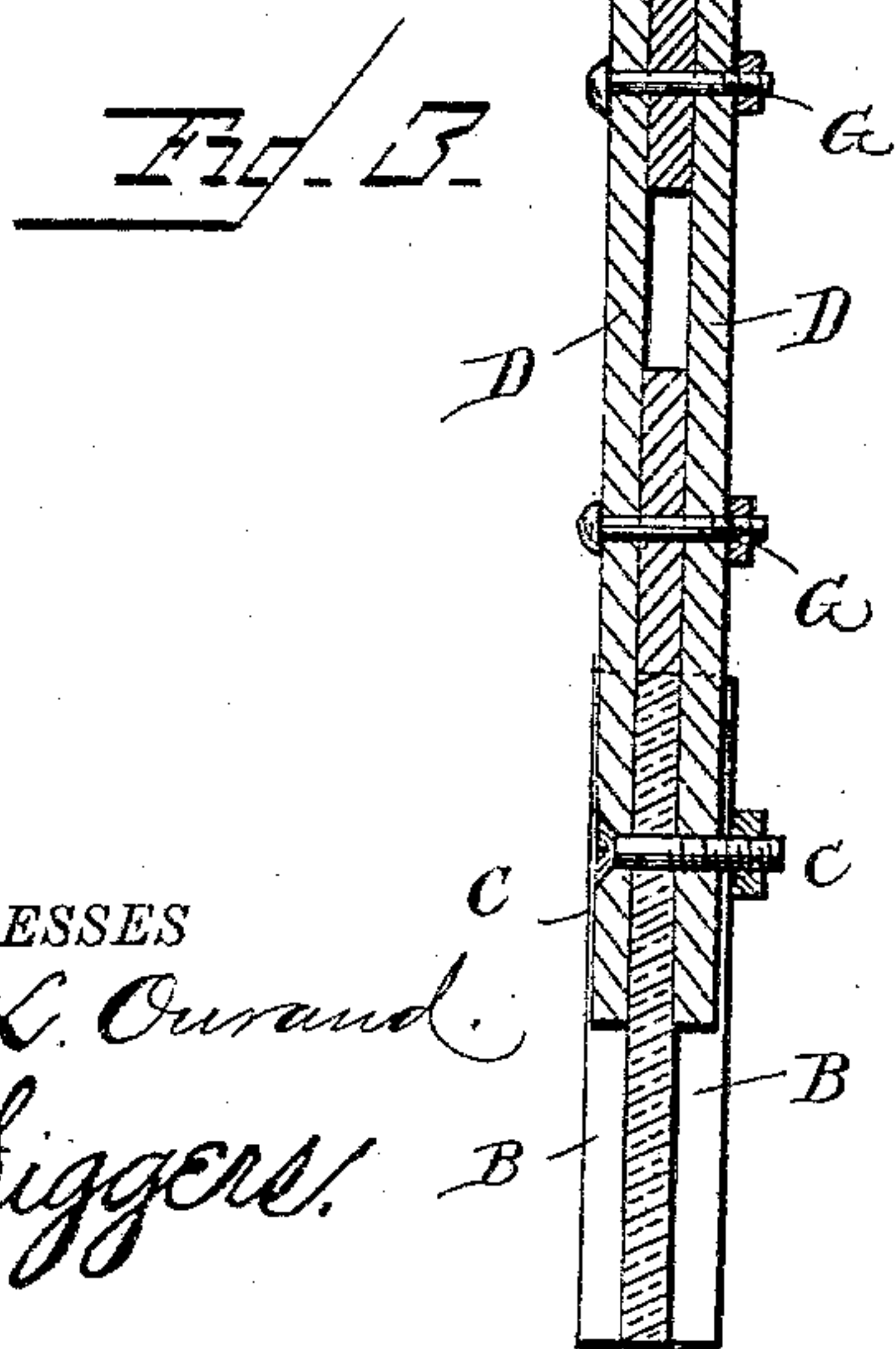
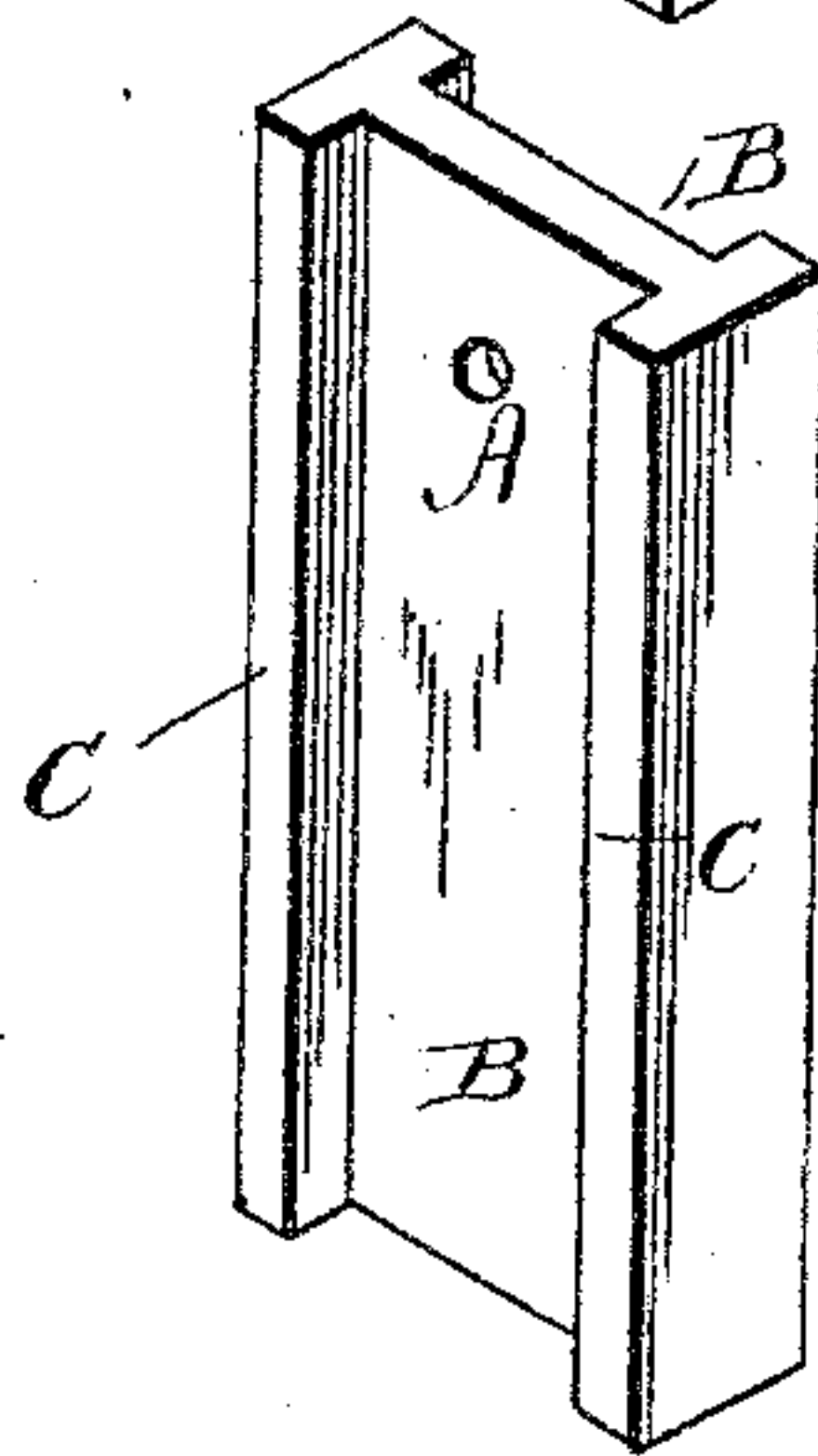
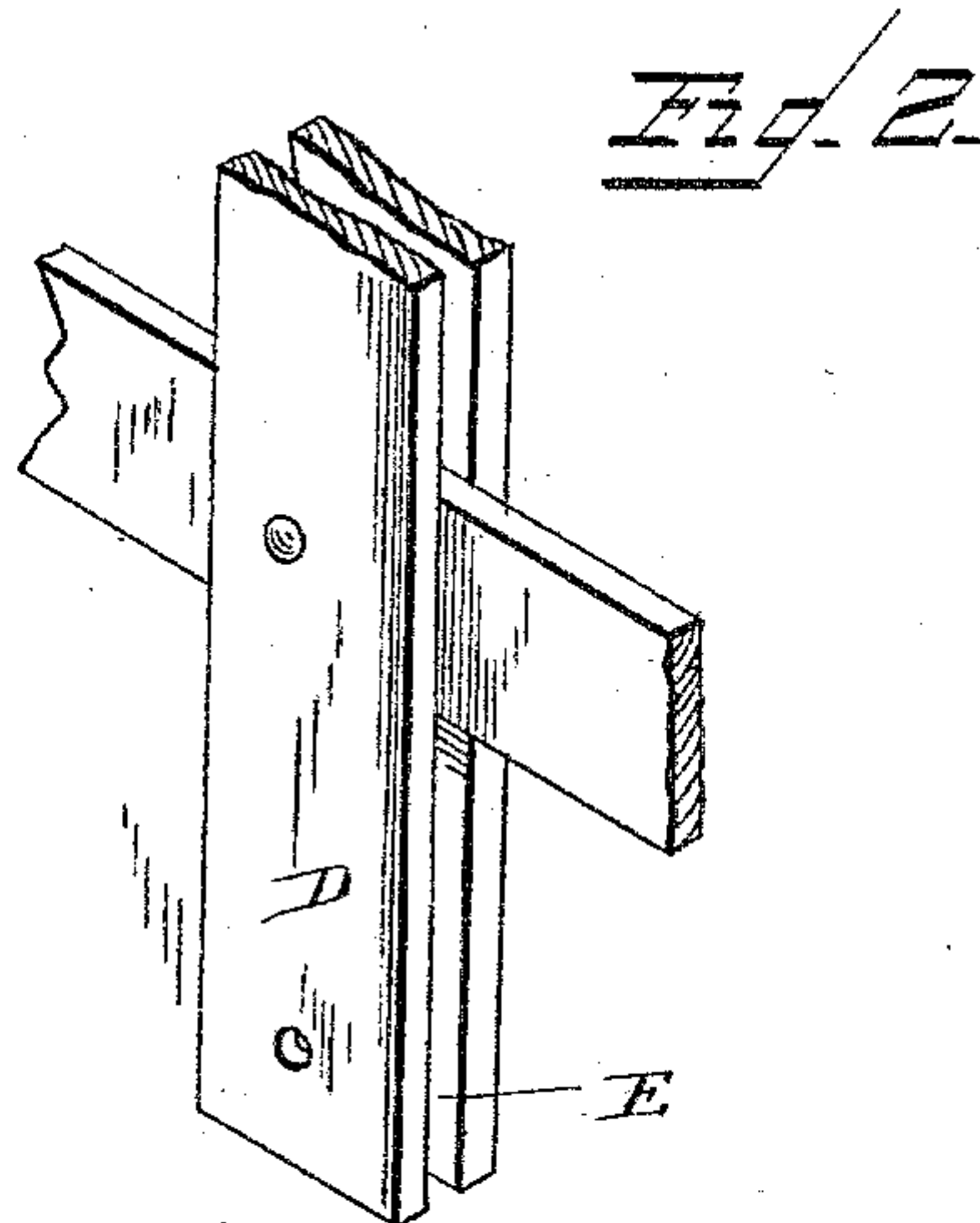
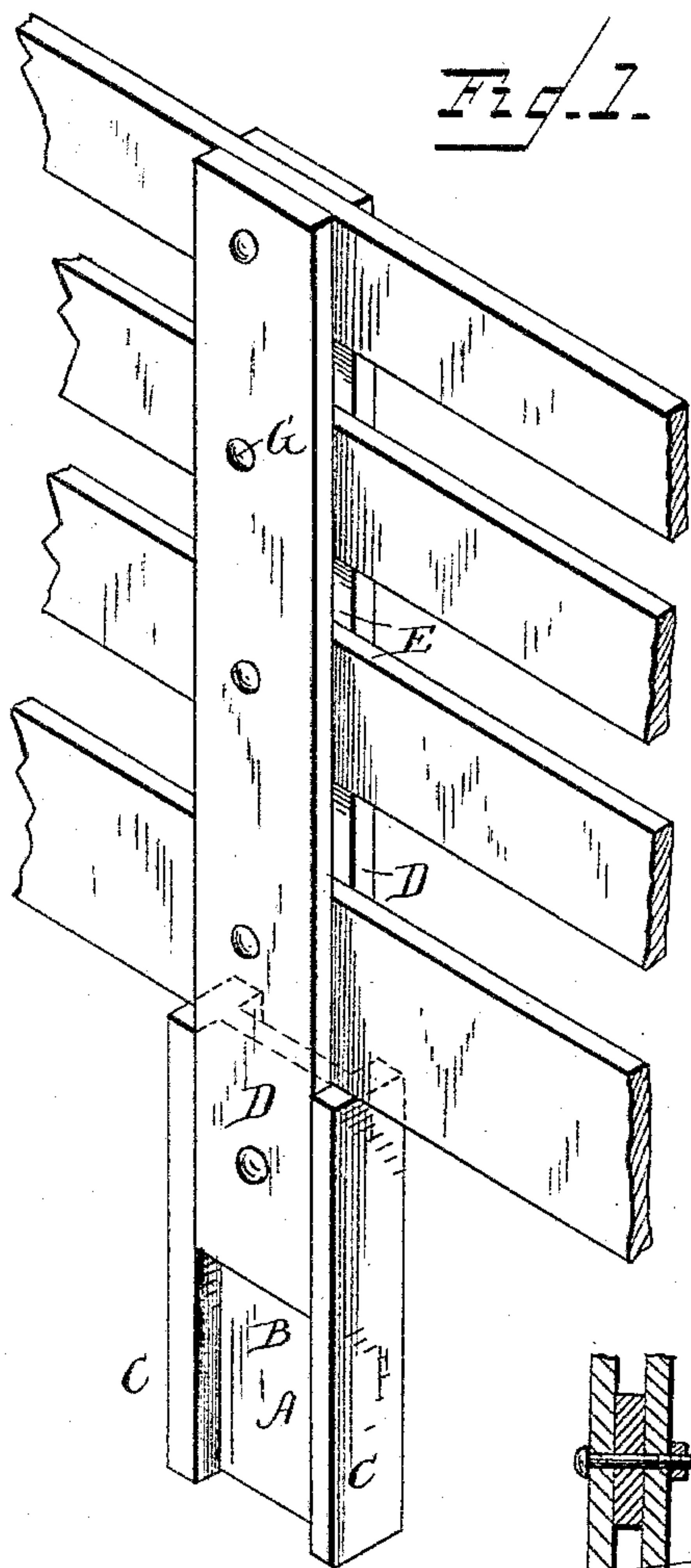
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FENCE-POST.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ABRAHAM C. HARRISON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Providence, in the county of Lucas and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Fence-Post, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to posts for fences, &c.; and it has for its object to provide a post of simple and inexpensive construction, that will be imperishable in its character, and can be adapted to various uses.

With these and other objects in view the said invention consists in constructing the base of the post from earthenware or tiling, which has been previously hardened by a thorough and intense heat, and forming vertical recesses in the front and rear faces of the base, and in combining the base with the standards adjustably secured within the recesses, the sides of said base forming flanges to retain the standards in place, as set forth.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a portion of a fence illustrating my invention. Fig. 2 is a detail perspective view of the post. Fig. 3 is a vertical transverse sectional view of the same.

Like letters refer to corresponding parts in the several figures.

Referring to the drawings, A designates the base of my improved post, constructed from tiling, but burned harder than the latter, so as to be imperishable. It is formed by means of suitable dies or molds, in the shape shown, in any ordinary tiling-machine, and when finished it has an appearance somewhat similar to the ordinary sewer-pipe. Said base A is formed on its front and rear face with vertical recesses B, extending the entire length of the same, the sides of the base forming flanges C, which extend outward on each side of the recesses.

D designates upright bars or standards, secured at their lower ends within the recesses B of the base A, and extending upward parallel with each other, as shown. A space, E, is left between the upright standards, through which may be passed the rails F of the fence, as shown, the rails being secured therein by

means of bolts G, which pass through the rails from one standard to the other. By this means of securing the rails of the fence they are held securely in place and the standards are connected together, and thus there will be less liability of breaking the post, which often occurs in the old form of nailing the rails against the sides of the same.

When it is desired to use the post in connection with a wire fence, the top ends of the upright standards D are secured together, so as to make the post solid, and the wires may then be strung or connected either between the standards or to the sides of the same.

The purposes and advantages of my invention are numerous. By means of the recesses in the sides of the earthenware base A the latter may be secured in the ground and the upright standards adjusted within the recesses to suit the height of the fence and secured at any desired point. Thus, when it is found that the fence-post should be a certain degree lower above the ground, the standards are merely permitted to slide downward in the recesses and secured at the desired point. By this means there will be no necessity of digging a larger or deeper hole—a course generally pursued in order to adapt a post to the required height.

The base, being constructed, as above stated, like the ordinary sewer-pipe, is imperishable in its character, and can be made of any suitable size or shape by merely changing the dies of the tiling-machine in which earthenware articles are made. In their position within the recesses of the base the upright standards are held not only by the securing-bolt, but by the flanges C of the base, which serve to retain the standards in place and prevent lateral movement of the same.

I do not limit myself to the application of my invention to a fence, since my improved post may be applied wherever by its use it might be found serviceable and inexpensive.

My invention admits of the construction of a post which is very simple and can be manufactured at a slight expense, is adapted to various uses, and will last a life-time.

Having described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

In a post for fences and the like, the base constructed of earthenware or tiling and provided with vertical recesses formed in its front and rear faces, the sides of said base forming
5 flanges to retain the standards in place, in combination with the standards adjustably secured within said recesses, as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in 10 presence of two witnesses.

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