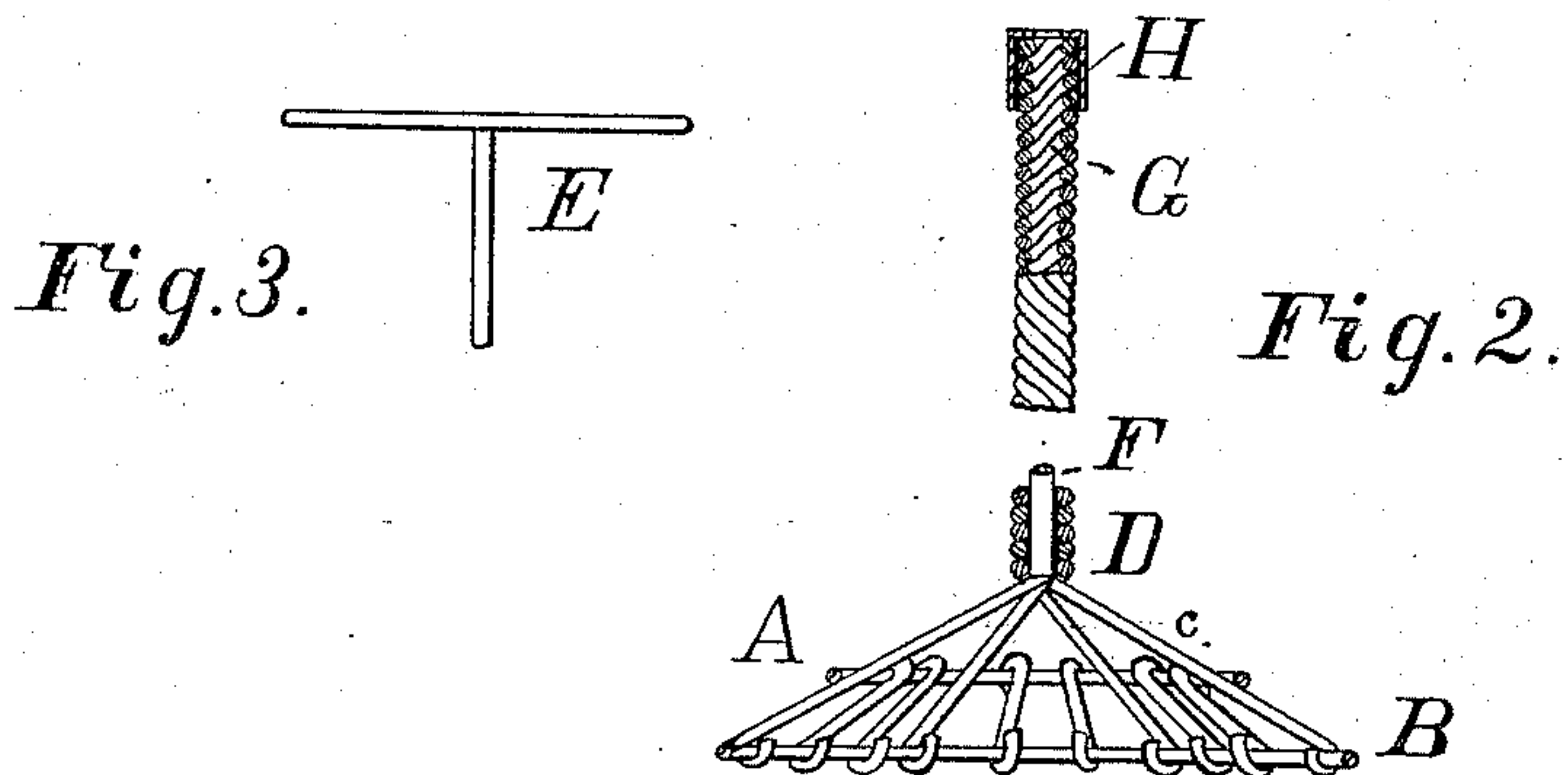
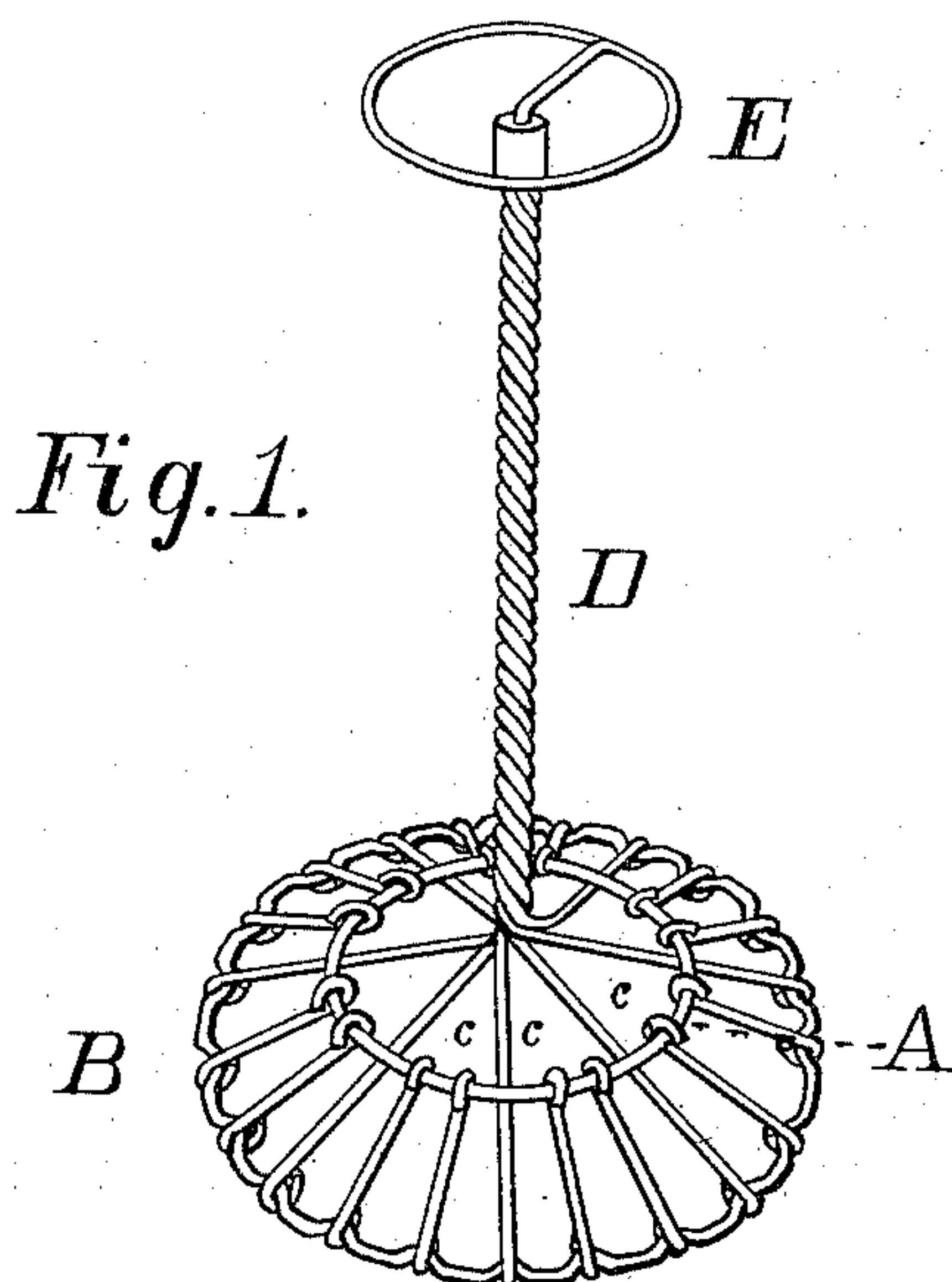


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL AYRES, of the city and county of Worcester, State of Massachusetts, have invented a Wire Show-Stand, of which the following is a specification.

My invention is designed for use in stores, and wherever it is desired to support bonnets, caps, hats, or similar articles for display or preservation.

The accompanying drawings show the construction of a stand embodying my invention.

In said drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view; Fig. 2, a vertical section, partly in elevation, of the base and socket, part being broken out and the top removed. Fig. 3 is a side view of said top.

A B are two rings connected by radial wires *b*, forming the conical base, radial wires *c c c* extending from the base-ring B to meet near the center, where they are twisted together round the core F, forming a stem, D, of any desired height, the core F being made shorter, leaving the wires to form a hollow socket, G, at the upper end, where they terminate in a ferrule or collar, H. The top E is made with a vertical pendent stem, fitting the socket G, as shown in Fig. 1, said top E being circular,

oval, T, or any desired form, and left removable or fastened in said socket G by solder or other means, as may be preferred. The stand, being tinned by dipping or similar means, is firmly soldered together at all adjacent parts, stiff and substantial.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim is—

1. In a wire show-stand, the combination of the base-rings A B, radial wires *b*, wires *c*, connected with one of the rings and twisted together near the center, and the core F, said core being shorter than the stem, whereby the wires form a socket, G, above it, substantially as set forth.

2. In a wire show-stand, the combination of circular and radial wires, forming a base, with a vertical stem formed of some of the radial wires connected with the base and brought together, the stem-wires forming a socket, G, at their upper end, and provided with a ferrule, H, at the top, substantially as set forth.

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