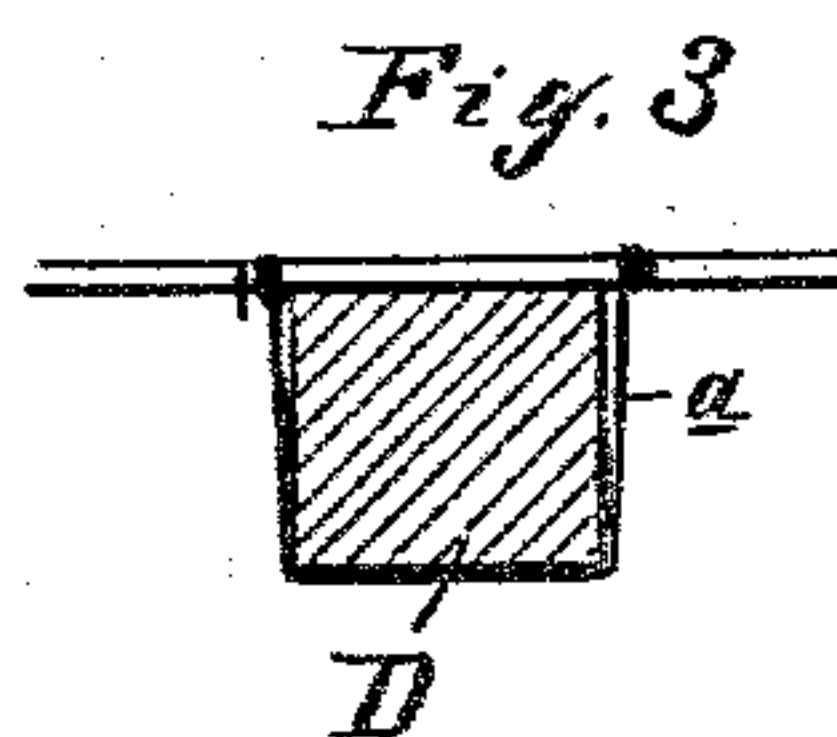
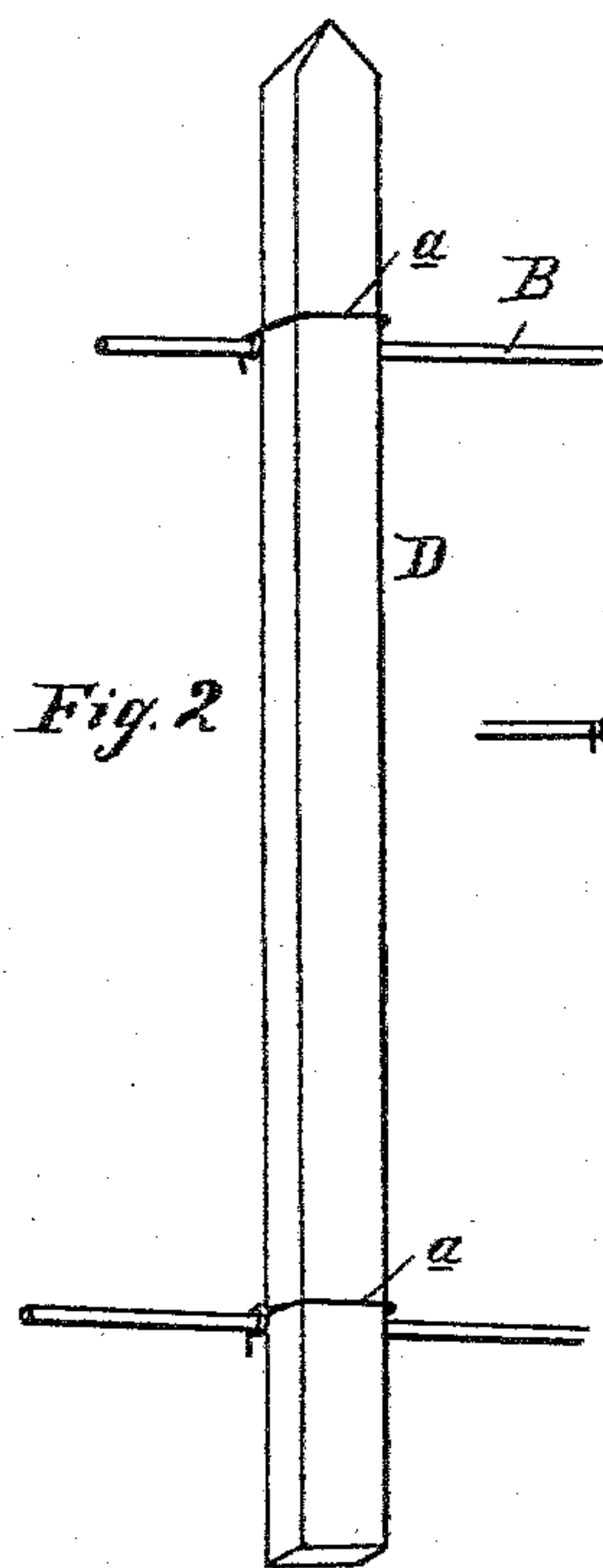
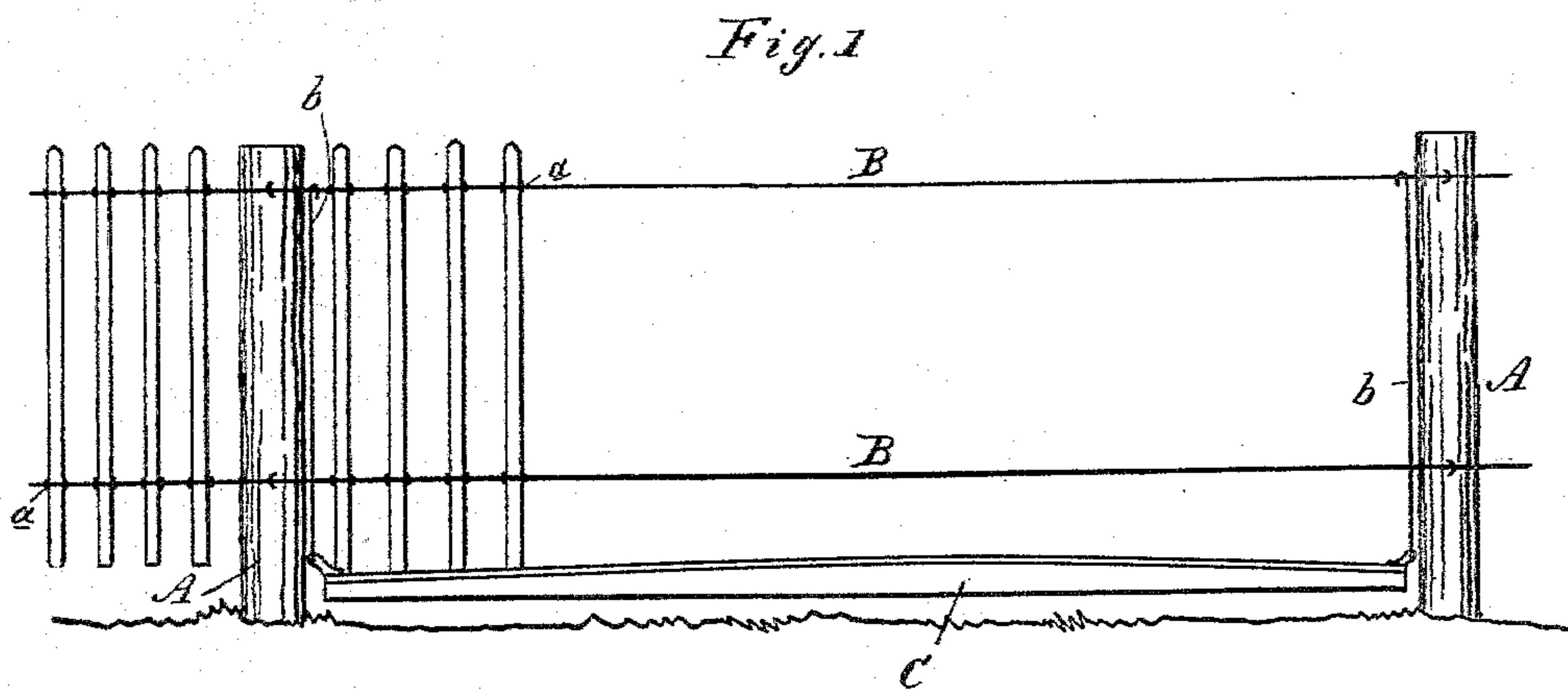


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN C. HAAG, of Lansing, in the county of Ingham and State of Michigan, have invented new and useful Improvements in Picket-Guides for Fences; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

10 This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in a picket guide and support to be used in the construction of that type of fences known as "wire-picket fences;" and the invention consists in the peculiar combinations and the novel construction and arrangement and adaptation of parts, all as more fully hereinafter described and claimed.

Figure 1 is a front elevation of my improved fence as shown in process of construction. 20 Fig. 2 is a reverse elevation of a section of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a cross-section on a line with the tie.

In the accompanying drawings, A represents two posts set firmly in the ground, between which are stretched two or more single strands of wire, B, at proper distances apart, such wires being preferably secured to the front faces of the posts, as shown. A bar, C, with its upper edge or side cambered or curved, as shown, to provide for the weight of the pickets, which tend to spring the same downward, is now hung, by means of suitable supports, *b*, upon either the upper or lower of the wires B, as may be preferred, and between the

posts A. The pickets D are now secured to the front faces of the wire strands in the following manner, successively, the bottom of the pickets resting upon the top of the bar C, which, being removed when the pickets in a panel have all been secured, the top of the pickets will be found to be on a level. The picket is placed against the wire strands and a piece of wire, *a*, is wrapped or twisted around the wire strand and then passed around three sides of the picket and its other end wrapped or twisted around the wire strand, thereby binding the picket to the wire strands. The more tightly this binding-wire is drawn around the picket the more firmly the latter will be held in position.

Mechanisms may be employed to accomplish this result, and these mechanisms may be of various kinds, although I prefer such as is shown in my application for a patent bearing even date herewith.

What I claim as my invention is—

1. The picket-guide and supporting-bar C, provided with means for detachably suspending the same, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

2. The bar C, curved upon its upper edge, and provided with hooked rods for suspending the same when desired, as set forth.

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