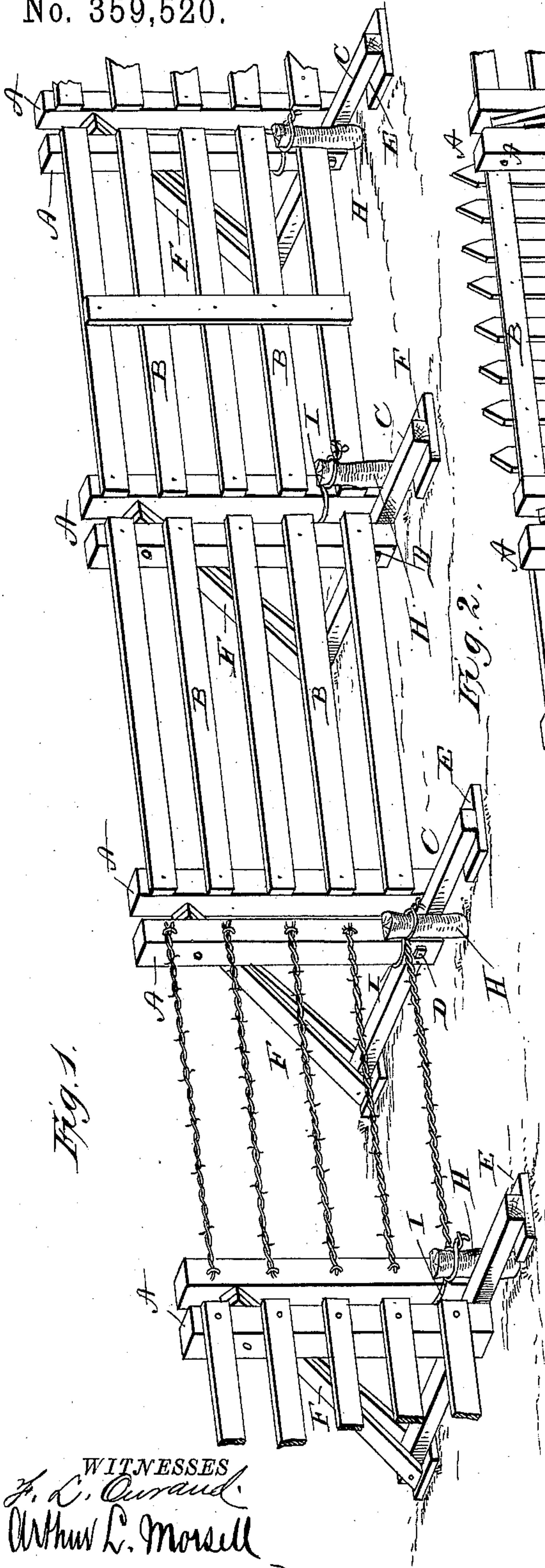


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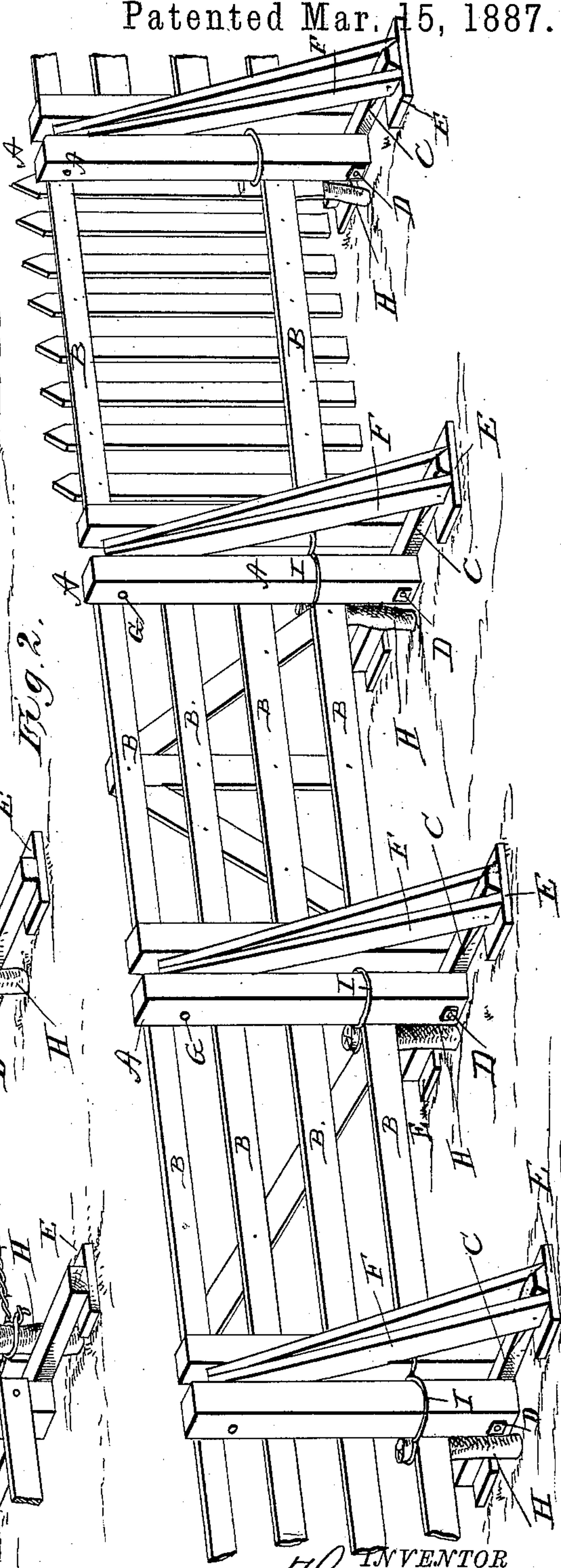
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY RONG, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Pleasant Hill, in the county of Miami and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Fences; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved fence from one side, and Fig. 2 is a similar view from the other side.

Referring to the drawings, in which the same letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both of the figures, A represents the end pieces, and B the rails or boards of the panels of a fence. These panels may be of any desired length, and may be provided with brace-pieces, and the intermediate rails or boards may be replaced with wires or pickets, thus making a lighter, cheaper, or more ornamental fence. The lower end of each of the end pieces, A, which are preferably made to project below the bottom rail, is secured to a foot-piece or ground-sill, C, by means of an ordinary bolt, D. Each end of these ground-sills C is supported on a stone or other supporting-piece, E, to keep it off the ground, and one end is beveled at its sides, upon which beveled parts the inclined braces F F are secured. These bevels on the sides of the foot-pieces or sills cause the braces to come together at their tops, where they are secured between the tops of the end pieces, A, by means of the bolts G, and as the braces are about half the thickness of the ground-sills, the two of them keep the tops of the end pieces as far apart as the sills keep them at the bottom, thus causing the top of the fence to be in a line.

At each end of every alternate panel adjoining the foot-pieces, and preferably upon

the side opposite the braces F, is a post or stake, H, driven firmly into the ground. The tops of these stakes are a little above the bottom rail, and a wire loop, I, is passed over the top of each of these posts and passed around one of the end pieces.

To make a more secure fastening, the wire is crossed between the end piece and the stake, forming a figure 8 loop. Instead of driving these stakes at each end of the alternate panels, one stake can be driven at the same end of each panel, as it is only necessary to secure one end of the two adjoining panels, the two being secured together by means of the bolt D; but I prefer driving the two stakes at each end of each alternate panel, as all lengthwise movement of the fence is prevented by having the stakes on opposite sides of the sills.

To remove the fence, the bolts D and G are taken out, the loops I removed, and the stakes H withdrawn, when each panel can be loaded entire and taken where it is wanted, where the fence is easily erected by securing the panels together and to the stakes, which are driven where wanted.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

The combination, in a fence, of a series of panels, foot-pieces secured at their middle portions between the lower ends of the end pieces of the adjoining panels, the sides of one end of each foot-piece being beveled, an inclined brace secured upon each beveled portion and secured together and between the tops of said end pieces, a stake driven into the ground at the side of each foot-piece, and a wire loop connecting said panels to said stakes.

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

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