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HEDGE FENCE.

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Fig. 1.

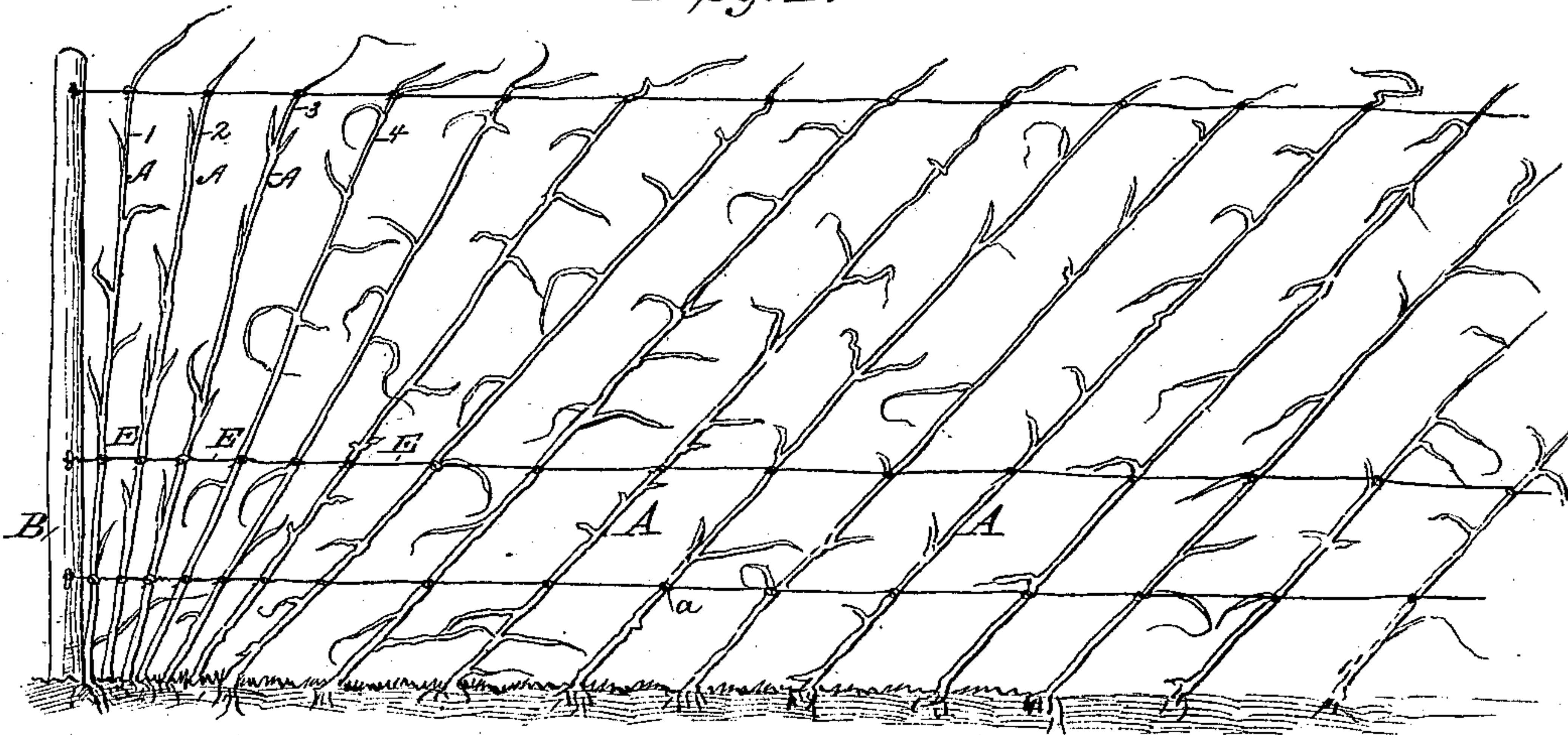


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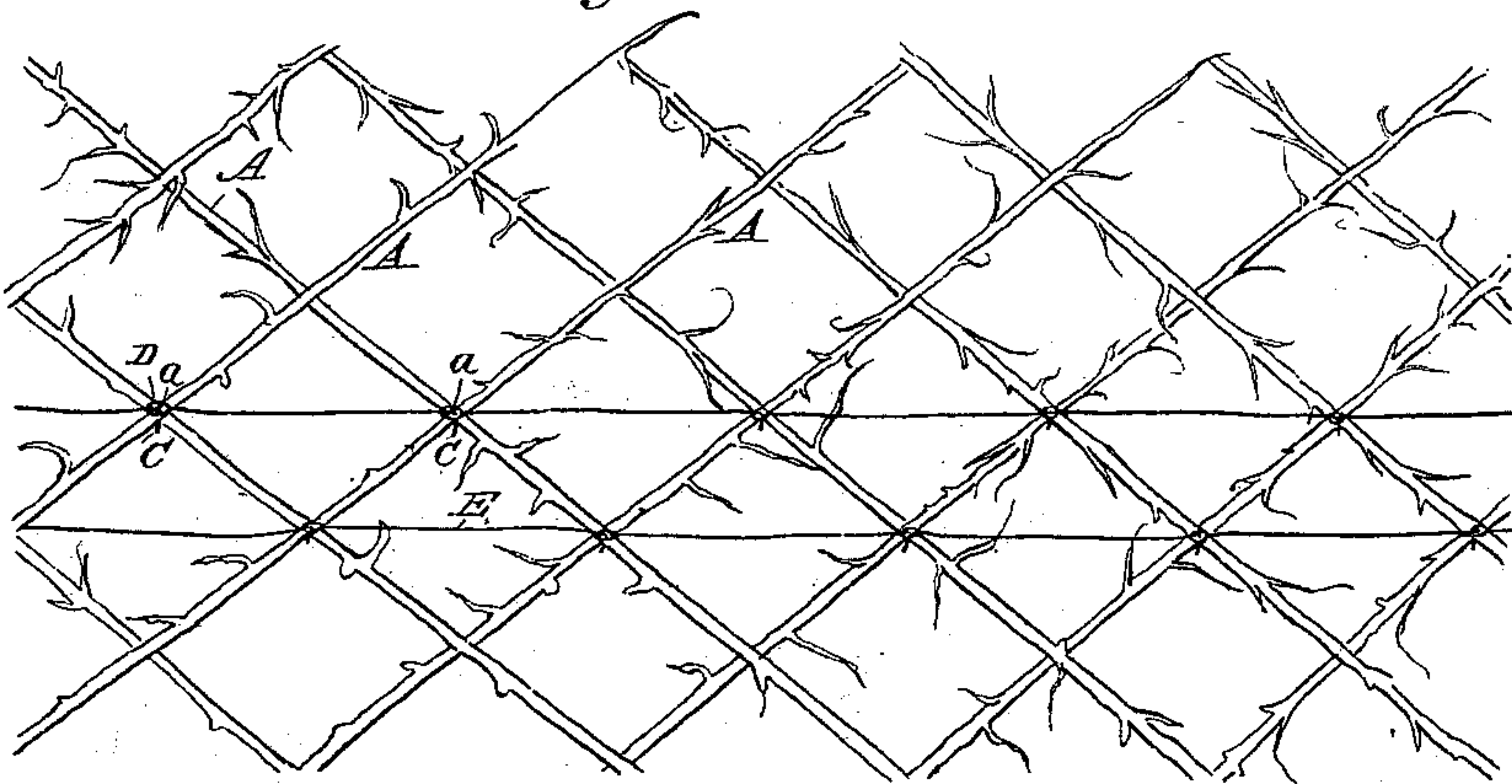


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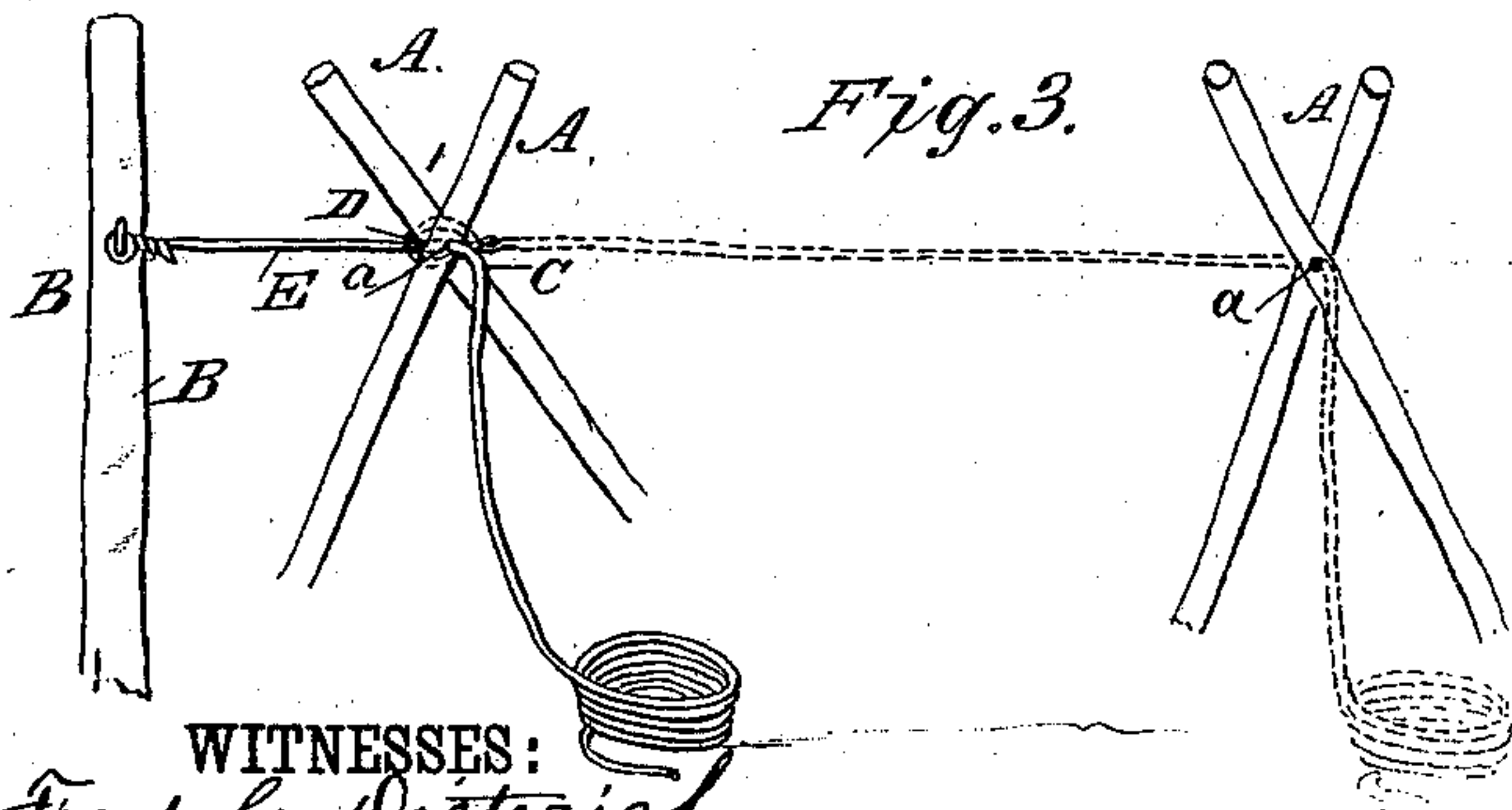
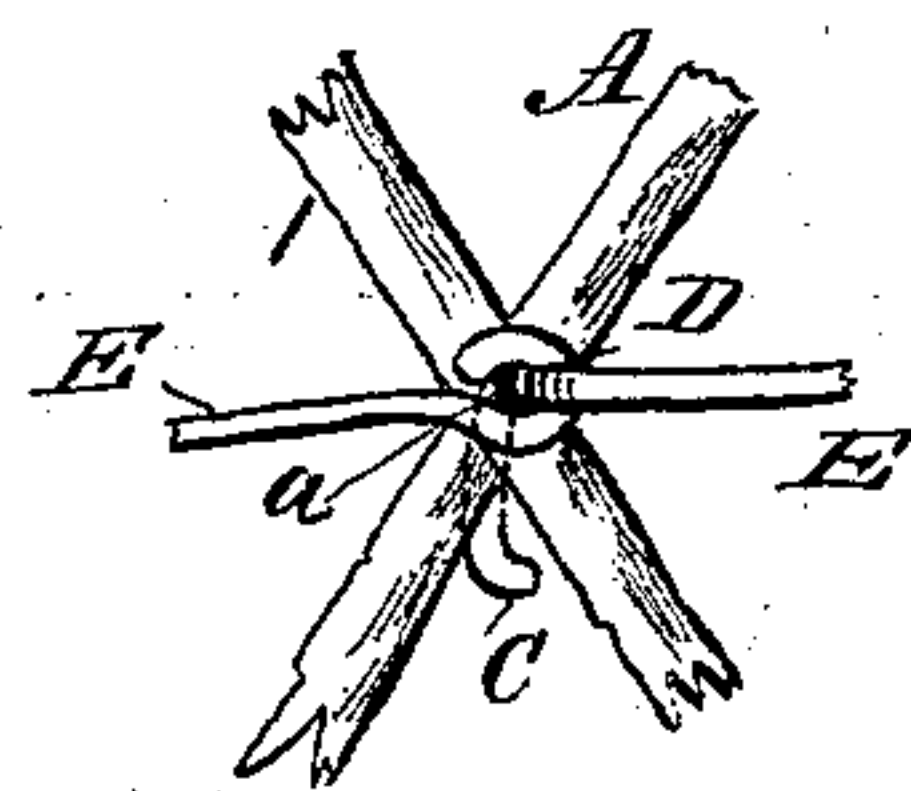


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HEZEKIAH TAYLOR, of Shadwell, in the county of Albemarle and State of Virginia, have invented a new and useful
5 Improvement in Hedge Fences, of which the following is a specification.

My invention is an improvement in hedge fences; and it consists in the improved construction hereinafter more fully described, and
10 pointed out in the claim.

In the drawings, Figures 1 and 2 are side views of my fence. Fig. 3 is a detail view enlarged, illustrating the method of bracing the same, and Fig. 4 is a detail view.

15 My invention seeks to provide a simple, convenient brace for re-enforcing hedge fences and to apply said brace devices with ease and facility, as will be hereinafter specifically set forth.

20 In practicing my invention the canes A, which have been trained properly, as shown, are bored, forming openings *a*, fitted to permit the passage of the bracing-wire, and such openings are usually formed in line with each
25 other, as shown.

The bracing-wire, being suitably coiled or otherwise conveniently disposed for use, has its free end passed through the first bored cane from the anchor-post B, and is carried toward
30 the anchor and suitably secured, usually to the post B, as shown. For convenience of reference I will mark this first bored cane 1, and the succeeding ones 2, 3, &c., in proper numerical order. After this wire has been properly
35 secured to the anchor-post it is drawn taut between said post and cane 1 and bent to form hook C, usually in the rear of said cane, to prevent its passing back through the opening *a*, and is then cut, leaving a new free end
40 of wire on the coil. This free end is now passed through the opening *a* in cane A 2, and is carried toward cane 1 and looped at D, on the first brace-wire at the juncture of said wire with cane 1 and on the side of said cane opposite the hook C. The wire thereafter being
45 properly strained is bent to form a new hook for the cane 2 and cut, and the succeeding brace-wires are applied in similar manner to the second section or brace wire, as above described.
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It will be noticed that by the above method I form a number of brace wires or sections E, which are connected and form a chain, which in practice extends between two anchor-points, which anchors may be posts, as shown, or other
55 suitable expedients. These anchors may be arranged at points where the direction of fence changes and at such intermediate points as may be found desirable. By forming this brace in these sections or of the wires connected, as
60 described, in case the chain becomes broken from any cause a new section may be easily applied.

It is my purpose to arrange the loops D on the front of the canes and the hooks C at the
65 back of the same, as thereby the braces when seen present the best appearance.

By the described method of bracing the operation may be more expeditiously effected, and effected with greater ease and more
70 securely, as will be understood from the foregoing. Manifestly the canes may be trained in a single series parallel to each other, or in two parallel series crossing each other; also, the hooks C may be bent or formed before or after
75 the cutting of the wire.

By forming the sections by the method described wire is saved, as all loss or waste of wire is avoided, the wires being cut off just the necessary length. These lengths of brace-wires
80 form the fence into a number of independent sections.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new is—

A fence consisting of a number of canes having
85 openings, a brace-wire anchored at one end and extended at its other end through an adjacent cane and having its end bent, a second wire secured at one end to the first-named wire and having its opposite end extended
90 through an adjacent cane and secured, and the succeeding wires arranged in similar manner to the said second wire, substantially as set forth.

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