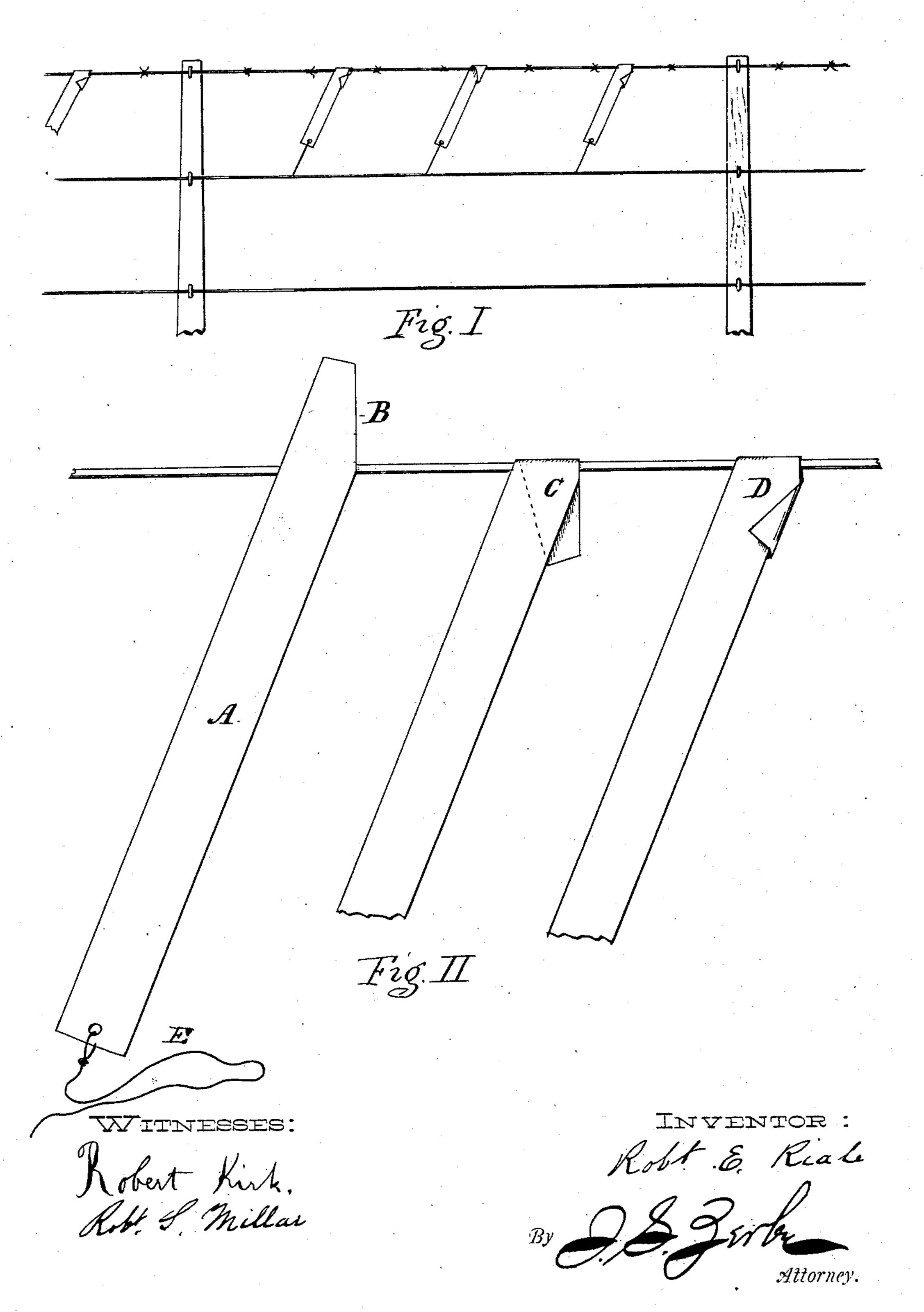
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BARB-FENCE SIGNAL.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT E. RIALE, of Topeka, in the county of Shawnee and State of Kansas, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Barb-Fence Signals, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure I is a side view of a barb-wire fence with the signals attached thereto, and Fig. II illustrates the method of attaching the signals to the fence.

This invention relates to improved attachments for barb-wire fences; and its object is to remove the chief objection to said fences by providing a cheap, durable, efficient, and easily-applied device, whereby the fence is rendered plainly visible at all times, so that cattle and other live stock may see the danger and avoid injury.

In the accompanying drawings, A represents the signal, which consists of a strip of thin hoop-iron, which should be galvanized or otherwise protected from oxidation. To prepare the strip, it is only necessary to cut one end in the form shown at B. In this shape it is easily and quickly attached, and at the same time, being slightly inclined from the perpendicular, it is retained in position by its own gravity. The strip is doubled over the up-

per wire of the fence, as at C, and finally locked by folding back the corner or lip, as at D. The lower end of the strip is perforated and provided with a wire, E, which is coiled around the fence-wire below.

I am aware that heretofore, and for the same general purpose I have in view, narrow strips of metal have been attached vertically and diagonally to fence-wires by bending the upper and lower ends of same over said wires and 40 then riveting them thereby in position. Such strips I do not claim, nor such a method of attaching same in position.

What I claim as new is—

In combination with fence-wires, a signal consisting of a narrow metal strip, A, cut away at its upper end, at B, and having attached at its lower end a wire, E, whereby said signal can be secured on the fence-wire at the upper end by merely doubling it over the wire and at its 50 lower end by the wire E, substantially as shown.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 26th day of April, 1887, in the presence of witnesses.

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Witnesses:

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