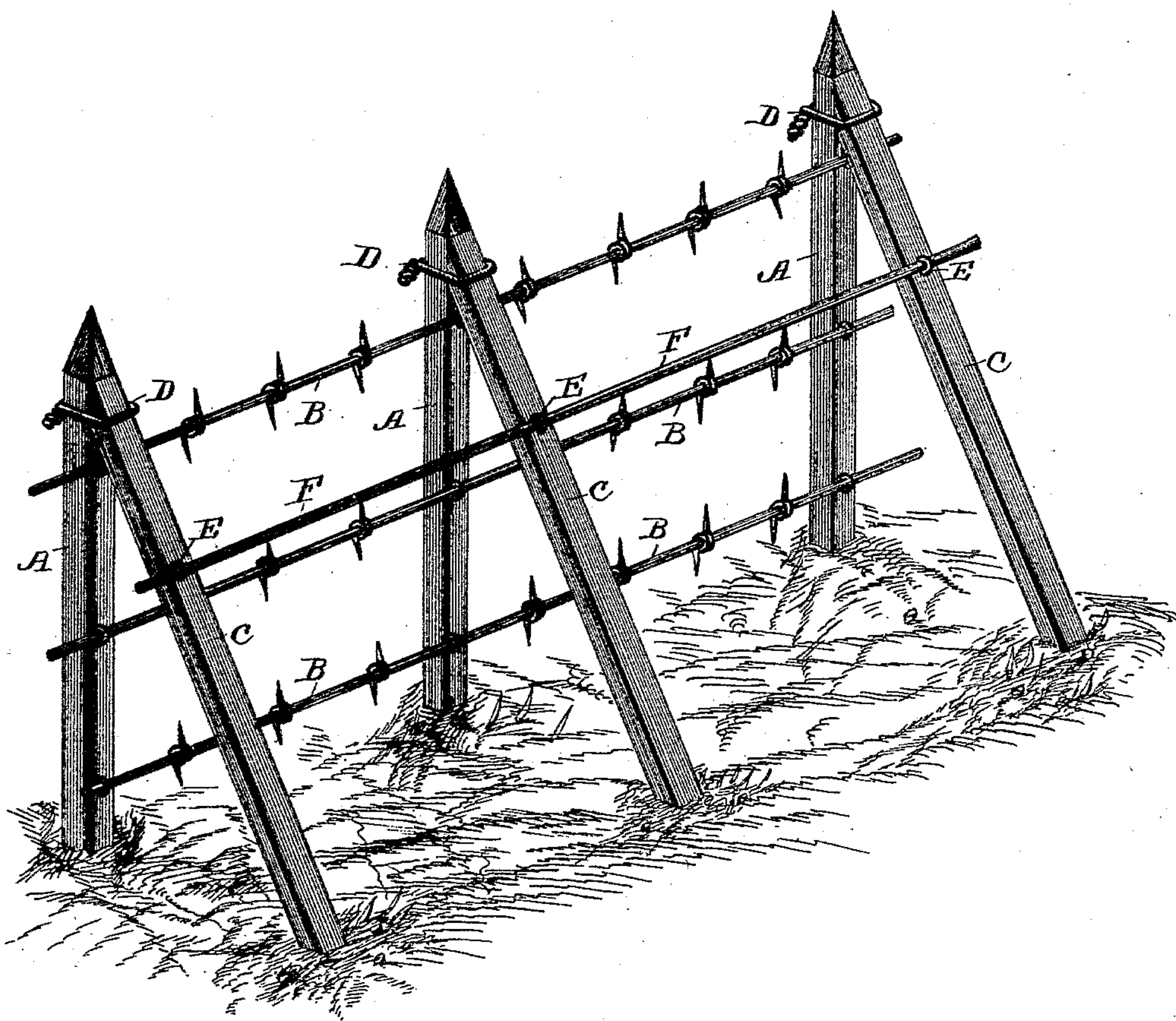


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SIDNEY B. GRUBBS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Munn, in the county of Cedar and State of Iowa, have invented a new and useful Fence-Guard, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in fence-guards; and it consists in certain novel features hereinafter described and claimed.

10 In the accompanying drawing I have shown a perspective view of a fence embodying my invention.

15 The posts A A are set in the ground in the usual manner, and the barbed fence-wires B are secured thereto, as shown. Along the line of the fence I arrange a series of inclined posts C, the lower ends of which are set in the ground, and the upper ends of which rest against the post A and are secured thereto by means 20 of the tie-wires D, wrapped around the upper ends of the posts. On the outer sides of the inclined posts C, I arrange the staples E, through which a smooth wire F passes, the said staples serving to secure the said wire to 25 the inclined posts. It will be observed that

this smooth wire will be held at some distance from the barbed wire of the fence, and consequently the animals in the field will be prevented from running against the fence and lacerating themselves with the barbs. 30

My device is very simple and its efficiency and cheapness are obvious.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is— 35

The combination of the fence-posts, the inclined posts or braces having their lower ends set in the ground and their upper ends bearing against the fence-posts, and the smooth wire secured on said inclined posts or braces 40 below the upper ends of the same and running parallel with the lines of the fence, as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in 45 presence of two witnesses.

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