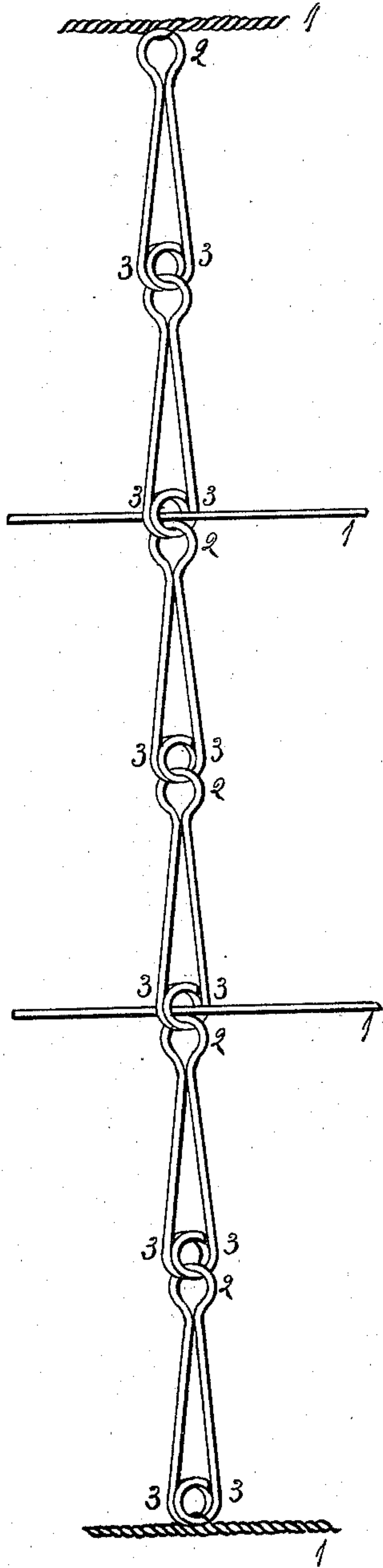


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE C. BOVEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Mount Morris, in the county of Ogle and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Stays for Fencing, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this invention is the construction of a stay for forming a connection between the lengthwise wires of a wire fence.

In the accompanying drawing I have shown a perspective view of one series of stays and their application to the fence-wires.

The fence is made of lengthwise wires 1, the top and bottom wires being twisted.

The links forming my improved stay are all of the same construction, and a description of one will be given. Each link consists of a single piece of wire bent at its center, forming an eye 2, its branches extending in the same plane and gradually widening, having their ends formed in closed eyes 5 and turned in opposite directions.

The lengthwise wires are located in the eyes of the link and the eye 2 of one link receiving the eyes 3 of the link above it. The

links when connected together form a stay and are located in a vertical manner.

The eyes of the branches are somewhat open while being placed in position and are afterwards closed, and by turning the eyes in reverse directions the strain applied cannot open them, which would be the case were they both turned in the same direction, and by forming an eye at the center of the link it is held from displacement.

I claim as my invention—

In wire fencing, the combination of the lengthwise wires 1, thereof, stays arranged in a vertical manner connecting the lengthwise wires, each stay consisting of several pieces of wire, each bent at its center forming an eye 2, its branches extending in the same plane and gradually widening having at their ends closed eyes 3, and turned in opposite directions, the lengthwise wires passing through the eyes of the branches, and the eye 2, of one link receiving the eyes 3, of the link above it.

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