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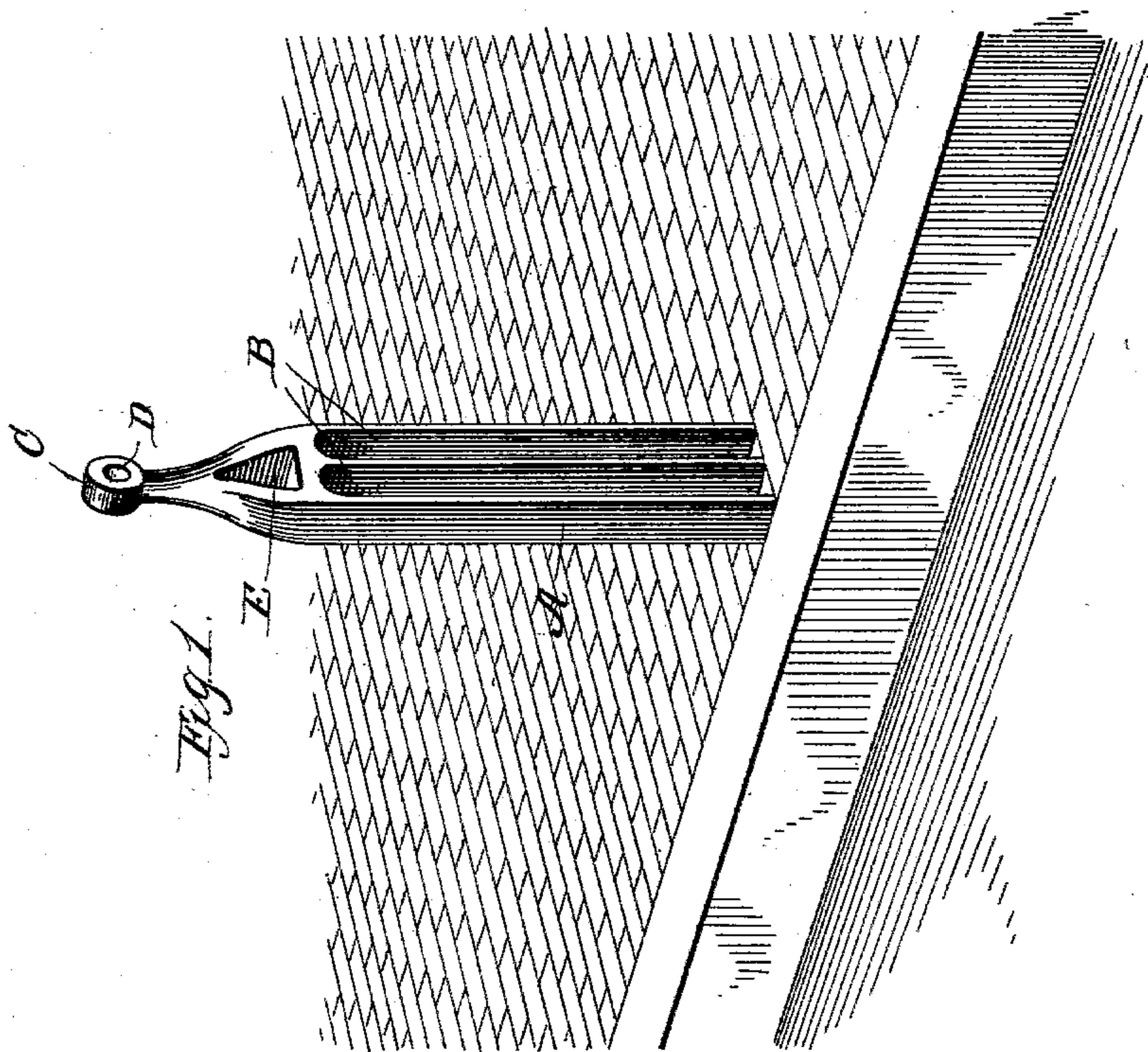
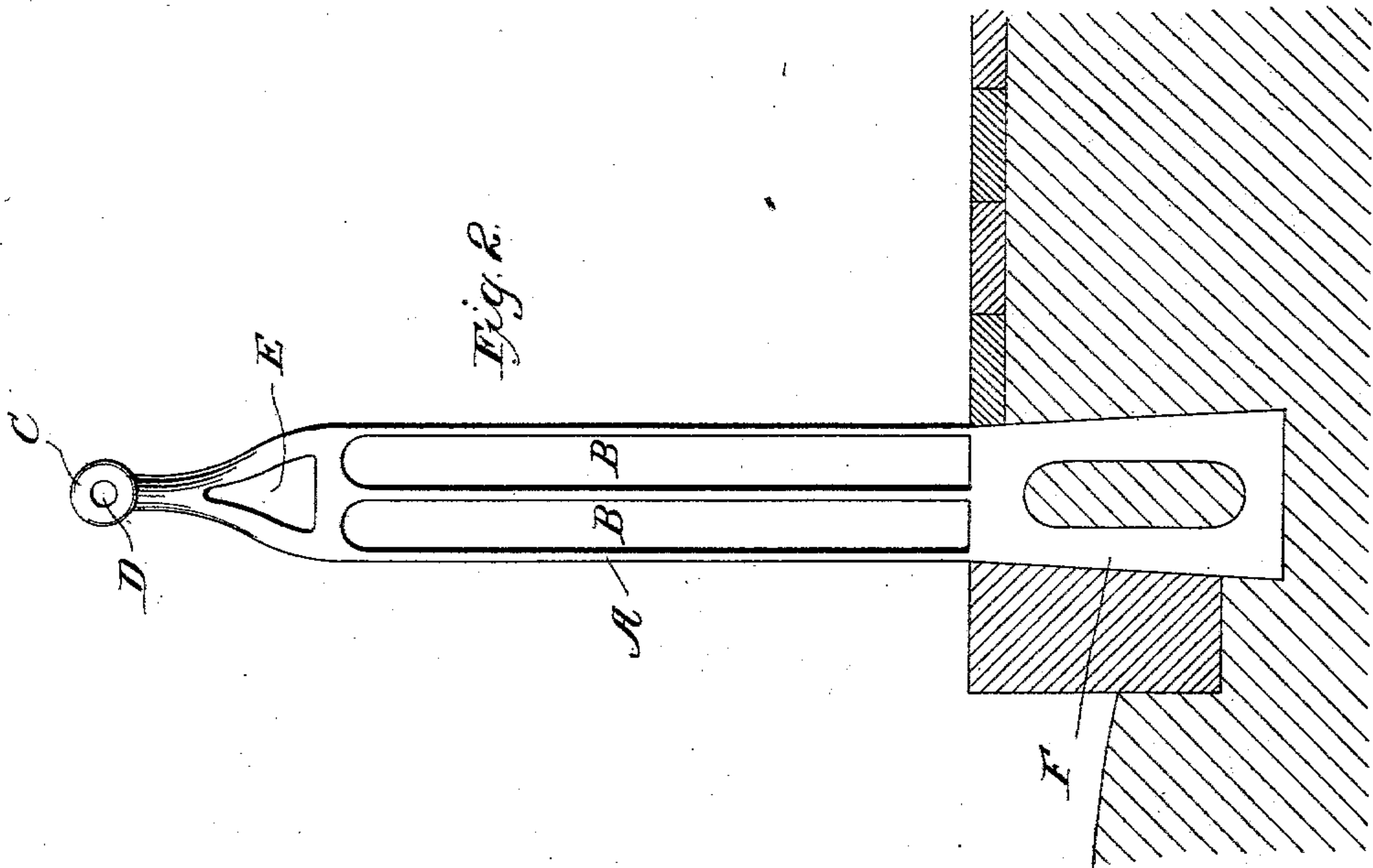
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COMBINED HITCHING-POST AND BICYCLE-RACK.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS RICE DAVIS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Burlington, in the county of Burlington and State of New Jersey, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in a Combined Hitching-Post and Bicycle-Rack, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a new and useful improvement in a combined hitching-post and bicycle holder or rack, and has for its object to provide an exceedingly simple and effective device of this description which will serve all the purposes of a hitching-post when properly located, and yet it will provide a convenient means for the holding of a bicycle in an upright position after the manner of an ordinary bicycle-rack without interfering with its usefulness as a hitching-post.

With these ends in view this invention consists in the details of construction and combination of elements hereinafter set forth and then specifically designated by the claim.

In order that those skilled in the art to which this invention appertains may understand how to make and use the same, the construction and operation will now be described in detail, referring to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective of my improved combined rack and hitching-post, represented as located near the edge of the pavement; and Fig. 2 is an elevation of my improvement upon a larger scale, the pavement being shown in section, so as to illustrate the manner of holding the post in position.

In carrying out my invention as here embodied, A represents the bicycle-rack, composed of three vertical ribs, forming the spaces B. The upper portion of these spaces is rounded, as clearly shown, in order that when the post is properly located a bicycle-wheel may be passed into either of these spaces a sufficient distance to sustain the wheel in an upright position.

The upper portion of the post terminates in a knob or head C, through which is formed a hole D, and said hole may serve as a means for attaching a rein in hitching a horse, or a ring may be secured in this hole, to which said rein may be attached.

I have also provided an opening E in the upper portion of the post, which serves partially as an ornamentation and lessens the weight of the post, while at the same time it may be used in tying a rein therethrough.

The lower portion of the post F is preferably flared and has an opening therethrough in order that when it is set in the ground and properly rammed it will be held against displacement.

Of course it is obvious that the post may be made of any width, embodying one or more of the spaces B, as best suits the fancy of the manufacturer or user, and I do not wish to be limited in this respect.

In practice I prefer to cast the combined hitching-post and rack in one piece, and in so doing the cost thereof is comparatively small and is little, if any, increased over the cost of an ordinary hitching-post, while serving the twofold purpose.

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

In a device of the character described, a base tapered upwardly and terminating in vertical ribs formed with the base, two of said ribs extending from the edges of the base and the other from the center thereof, said ribs being separated and terminating in a head and an apertured knob, as and for the purpose described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my signature in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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