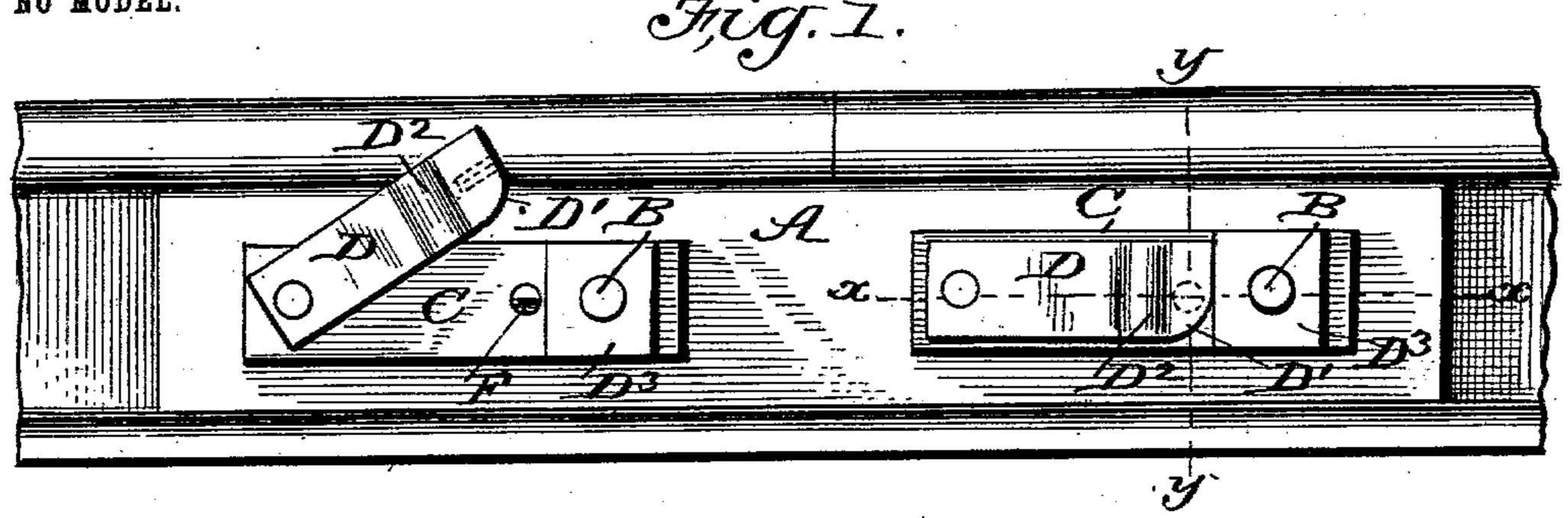
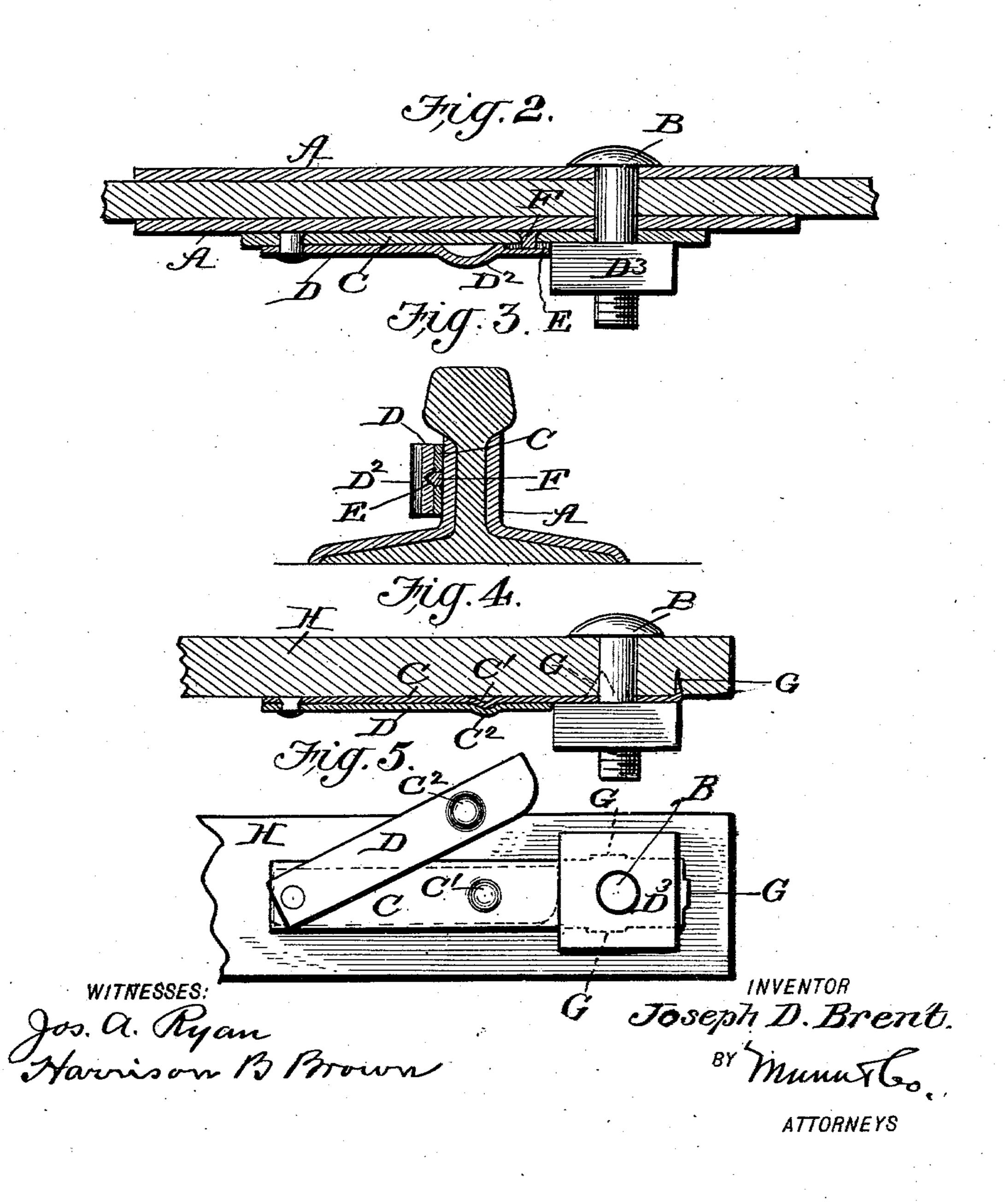
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Joseph Dennis Brent, a citizen of the United States, residing at Raymond, in the county of Hinds and State of 5 Mississippi, have invented a new and Improved Nut-Lock, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to means whereby a nut may be locked against reverse or unscrew-

ro ing action on its bolt.

The invention consists of the new and simplified nut-locking means, involving improved construction, arrangement, and combination of parts, which will hereinafter be fully de-15 scribed, and the novel features pointed out in the claim.

Reference is had to the accompanying draw-

in which—

Figure 1 is a view illustrating my invention in side elevation and showing it in locked and unlocked position. Fig. 2 is a horizontal sectional view taken on line xx of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a transverse sectional view taken on line 25 y y of Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a longitudinal sectional view showing a modified form of my invention; and Fig. 5 is a plan view in illustration of the modified form, the locking-button being shown in full lines at unlocking posi-30 tion and dotted in locking position.

In the practice of my invention splice-bars A may be employed as commonly used at railjoints, having perforations therethrough adapted for receiving securing-bolts B.

On the outside of the splice-bars A, I arrange an elongated plate C, having near one end thereof a suitable perforation adapted for receiving the securing-bolt B. To the other end of plate C, I pivotally secure an elon-40 gated turn - button D, having its free end curved, as at D'. The free end of the turnbutton may be provided with a transverse bend D², adapting it in locking position for yielding engagement with the nut D3. In further car-45 rying out my invention I may provide the

free end of the turn-button on its under side with a groove E, adapted for engagement with

any suitable lug F on the plate C.

I do not desire to be limited in the use of my invention to the lug and groove just de- 5° scribed, since for many uses the bend D2 in the turn-button when in locking position would effect binding action of its free end against the nut D3, and thereby obviate unlocking of the nut by accident or from jarring 55 action. The construction above described may be further modified by providing the securing or bolt end of the plate C with bent teeth, barbs, or the like G to enter suitable depressions in a metal surface or adapted to be driven 60 into a wood base or beam H.

It will be understood that the plate C may ings, forming a part of this specification, and | be constructed of thin metal with a struck-up projection C, adapted for engagement with a like-shaped depression C² in the turn-button D. 65

The use of my invention will be understood from the above description. With the turnbutton turned down against the nut it is apparent that the latter will be securely locked against reverse turning on its bolt, and while 7° the groove or recess on the turn-button and projection or lug on the plate C is desirable a turn-button having a yielding engaging end so rendered by its bent portion D2 will engage the nut with friction sufficient to hold it 75 in locking position.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters

Patent, is—

The combination with the bolt and nut, of a 80 perforated plate adapted to receive the bolt, a longitudinally-yieldable spring turn-button on the said plate, a projection on the plate and a recess in the turn-button, substantially as described.

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