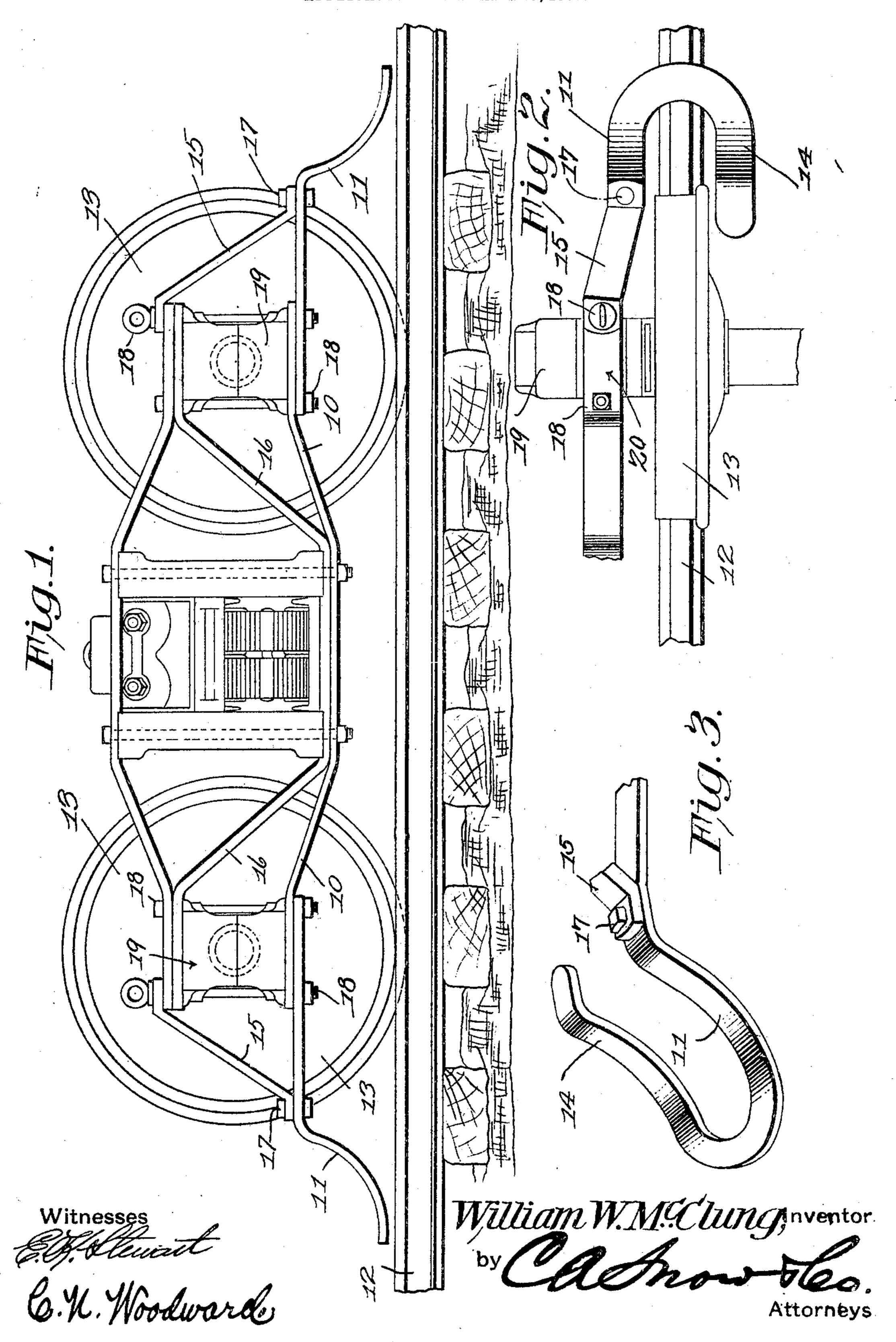
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM W. McClung, a citizen of the United States, residing at Butler, in the county of Butler and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Car-Fender, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to fenders for rail-way-cars, and has for its object to improve and simplify the construction of devices of this character.

With this and other objects in view, which will appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, the same consists in certain novel features of construction, as hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and in which corresponding parts are denoted by like designating characters, is illustrated the preferred form of embodiment of the invention capable of carrying the same into practical operation, it being understood that the invention is not necessarily limited thereto, as various changes in the shape, proportions, and general assemblage of the parts may be resorted to without departing from the principle of the invention or sacrificing any of its advantages.

In the drawings thus employed, Figure 1 is a side elevation of a conventional form of cartruck with the improved fender construction embodied therein. Fig. 2 is a plan view of a portion of the same. Fig. 3 is a detail perspective view of a portion of the improved

The improved device comprises a bar 11, attached at one end beneath the truck-frame, preferably beneath the pedestal tie-bar, represented at 10, and extended to a point in advance of the wheels 13, and thence downwardly to a point near the rails 12 and transversely above the rails and back again parallel to the curved portion of the bar, as at 14. The fender-bar thus projects at both sides of the flanged wheels and amply guards the same from the contact of objects or persons which

may lie upon or across the rails.

The fender members are preferably connected to the truck-frame by the same bolts to 18 which secure the axle-boxes 19 in place,

or fender is provided moving with the trucks and relatively close to the rails and in advance of the wheels 13 and operating to brush persons or objects from the rails and preventing them from passing beneath the wheels. By extending the fender member upon both

and as a further means of strengthening the

fender members diagonal braces 15 are con-

nected between the outer bolts 18 above the

arch-bar 20 to the fender members to which

By this simple means a very effective guard

they are bolted or riveted, as at 17.

By extending the fender member upon both sides of the wheel objects or persons will be thrown away from the wheels from both sides as well as from in front of the wheels, thereby 65 very materially increasing the efficiency and value of the device without materially increasing the weight or expense of construction.

The device may be readily adapted to all 7° the various forms of car-trucks manufactured and without structural changes therein.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is—

1. A fender for car-wheels comprising a 75 cross-sectionally flat U-shaped bar having its arms spaced apart to lie on opposite sides of the vertical plane of an interposed wheel, and means for attaching one of the arms to the car-truck, the looped portion of the bar being so inclined outwardly and forwardly to dispose the transverse front portion thereof adjacent to the rail-tread.

2. A fender for cars comprising a U-shaped bar having sides of unequal length, and means 85 for connecting the longer of said sides to the lower member of the truck-frame of a car with the looped end depending nearly to the rails and in advance of the flanged wheels and the spaced sides disposed at opposite sides of 90 the wheel, and a diagonal brace connecting said bar with the upper member of the truck-frame.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in 95 the presence of two witnesses.

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