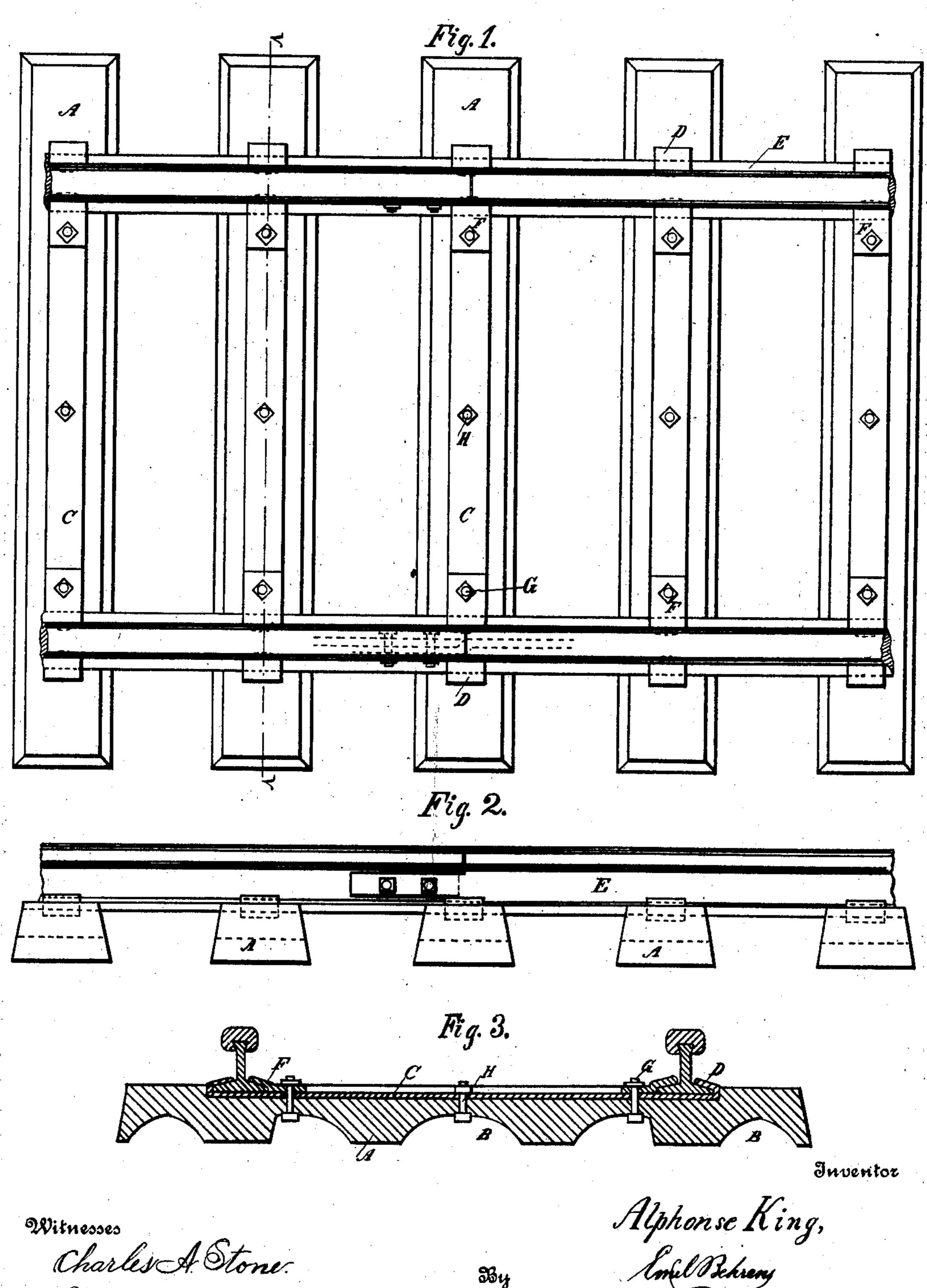
A. KING. RAILWAY TRACK CONSTRUCTION. APPLICATION FILED MAY 15, 1906.



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To all whom it may concern:

tain new and useful Improvements in Railway-Track Construction, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in 10 railway-track construction in which the ties or stringers are made of composition—such as concrete, slag, or vitrified clay-having arches underneath. The two chairs for the parallel rails are combined in one, sunk in 15 and fastened with bolts to the ties.

The object of my invention is to construct inexpensive ties which are strong and durable and not liable to slide, also easy to adjust and portable. I attain this object by the 20 construction illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a top view of a part of a complete railroad-track. Fig. 2 is a side view of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a section on line V V of 25 Fig. 1.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

For the railway-track, as shown in Figs. 1, 2, and 3, A are ties or stringers of the usual 30 size made of concrete, slag, or vitrified clay, having several arches B cut across from the middle of the height to the bottom to take away the unnecessary weight of the ties and prevent the same from sliding. Steel plates

C extend lengthwise in grooves on top of the 35 Be it known that I, Alphonse King, a citi- | ties A, underneath and across the rails, in zen of the United States of America, and a | such length that when their ends are bent to resident of San Antonio, in the county of hooks D to fit the outside base of the rails E 5 Bexar and State of Texas, have invented cer- | the latter are placed at the right gage. Clamps F and bolts G fasten the rail-base at 40 the inside to the ties. Also the steel plates are fastened to the center of the ties by bolts II.

The special structure of rails and mode of uniting them are not claimed herein, but in a divisional application filed January 30, 1907. 45

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

A composition tie, for railroads, having transverse arches on its lower side and hav- 50 ing a longitudinal depression in its upper side of less extent than the tie, both in length and breadth, in combination with a rail-supporting plate located in said depression and having recurved ends to receive the outer edges 55 of rails, clamps to be secured to said plate against the inner edges of said rails, and bolts for securing the clamps in place and for securing the plate in the recess and having their heads located in the said arches on the 60 under side of the tie, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

Signed at San Antonio, Texas, this 10th day of May, 1906.

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Witnesses:

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