

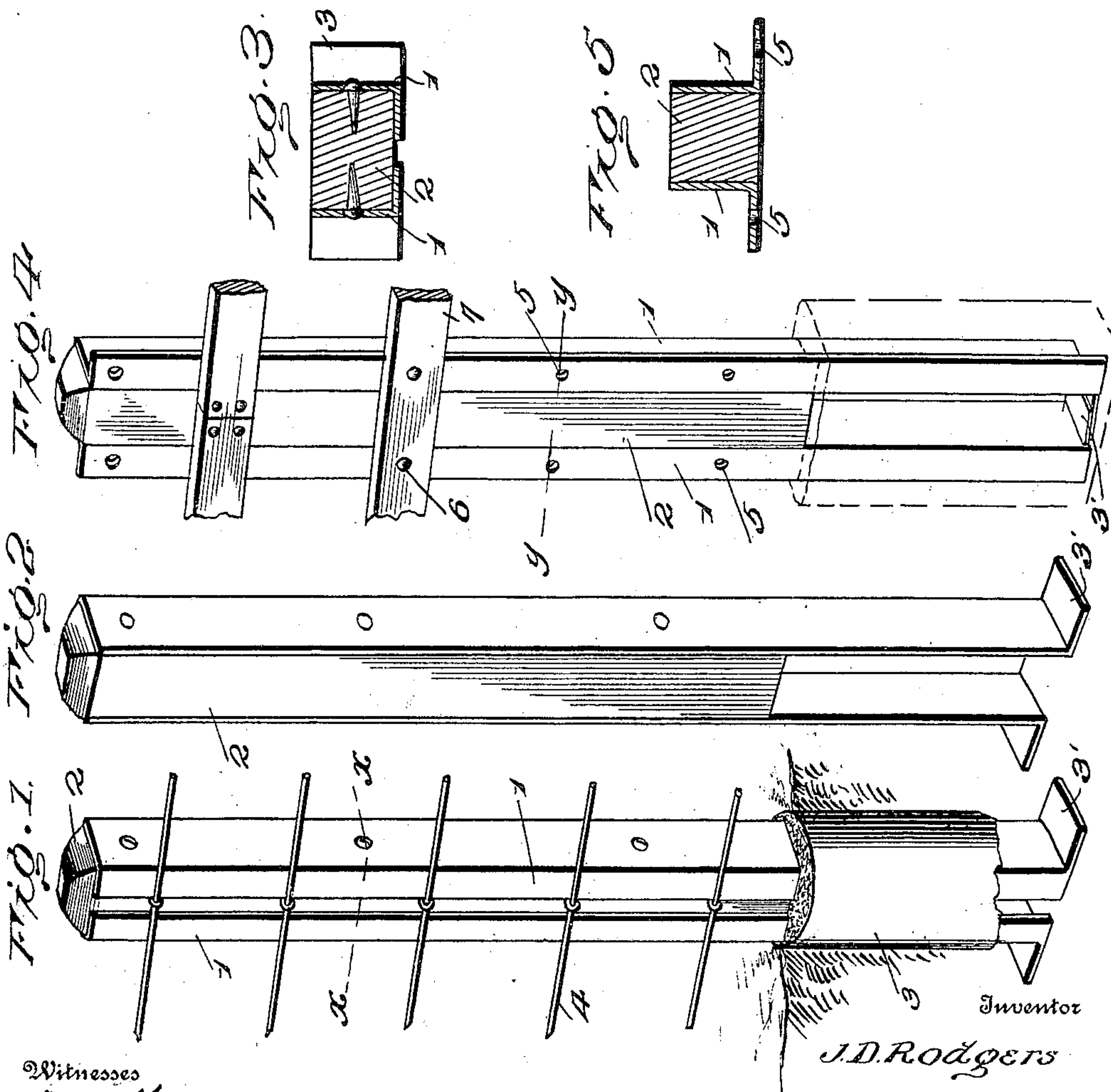
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES D. RODGERS, citizen of the United States, residing at Georgetown, in the county of Scott and State of Kentucky, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Fence-Posts, of which the following is a specification.

The present invention provides a composite fence post which is practically indestructible and which may be used in connection with fences or inclosures either of wire or rails, the fence post embodying a base of cement or like material and a body portion composed of a combination of metal and wood, the latter serving to receive the fastenings by means of which the fencing is attached to the post.

The invention consists of the novel features, details of construction and combinations of parts which hereinafter will be more particularly set forth, embodied in the appended claim and shown in the drawings hereto attached, in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of one form of post embodying the invention; Fig. 2 a perspective view of the post shown in Fig. 1, as it appears from the rear side; Fig. 3 is a horizontal section on the line $x-x$ of Fig. 1; Fig. 4 is a perspective view of a different form of post; Fig. 5 is a horizontal section on the line $y-y$ of Fig. 4.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to in the following description and indicated in all the views of the drawings by the same reference characters.

In accordance with this invention, the fence post consists of angle irons or plates 1, a wooden body 2, and a base 3 of cement or like material which may be set in the ground and not affected by moisture. The angle irons or plates 1 project beyond the lower end of the wooden body 2 and receive the mass of material forming the base 3. The lower ends of the plates or irons 1 are bent at 3' and may extend outward, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, or inward, as indicated in Fig. 4, the purpose being to provide secure anchorage in the plastic material comprising the base.

As shown in Figs. 1 and 2, the angle irons or plates 1 embrace three sides of the wooden body 2, the fourth side of said wooden body

being wholly exposed, as clearly indicated in Fig. 2, thereby admitting of rails being nailed or otherwise fastened thereto, as also providing easy means for placing the wooden body in position or removing it from the metal members when required for any purpose.

As indicated in Fig. 1, fence wires 4 are stapled to the side of the wooden body adjacent to the inner flanges of the irons or plates, said flanges being spaced apart a distance to admit of the staples being driven into the said wooden body.

In the construction shown in Fig. 4, the angle irons or plates 1 are placed with their flanges facing outward, said flanges having openings 5 to receive fastenings 6 by means of which rails 7 are attached thereto. The meeting ends of adjacent rails may be nailed to the wooden body 2, as clearly indicated near the top of Fig. 4.

From the foregoing it will be understood that the invention provides a composite fence post of novel formation which may be constructed in an economical and expeditious manner and which is practically indestructible and capable of not only withstanding strain and shock, but also resisting climatic changes and conditions and which post may be supplied at a slight increased cost as compared with wooden posts or as usually constructed. It is to be understood that the angle irons or plates are secured to the body of the post by suitable fastenings, such as bolts or lag screws.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is:

A composite fence post comprising a fibrous body, angle plates extended the entire length of said body, each having a flange placed against a side of the body and secured thereto, said plates having their lower ends extended beyond the lower extremity of the body, the flanges attached to the body having their lower ends bent laterally to provide anchoring lugs, and a base of cement molded upon the lower extensions of the angle plates and the bent ends of the flanges thereof.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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