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Fig. 1.

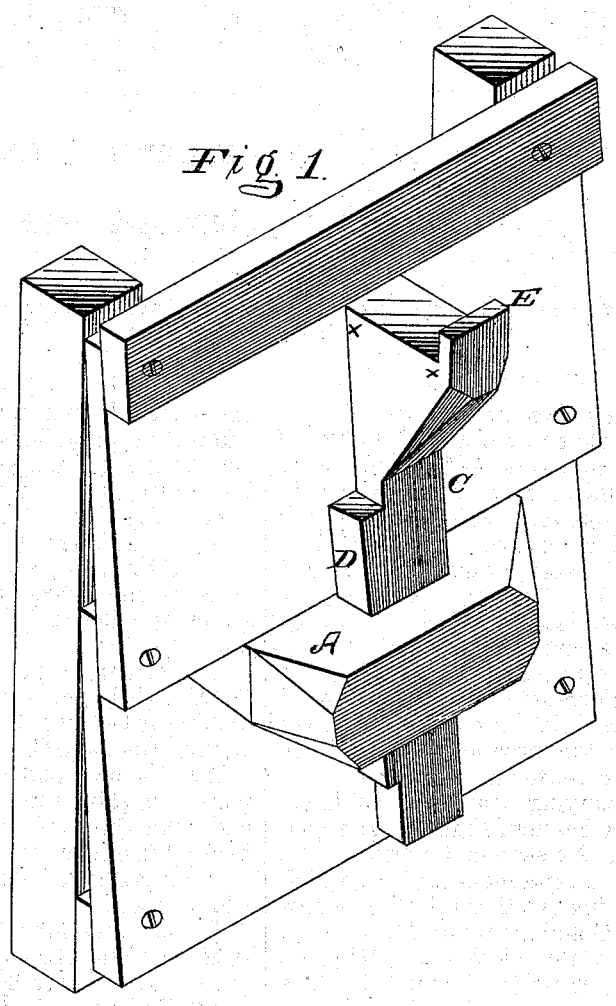
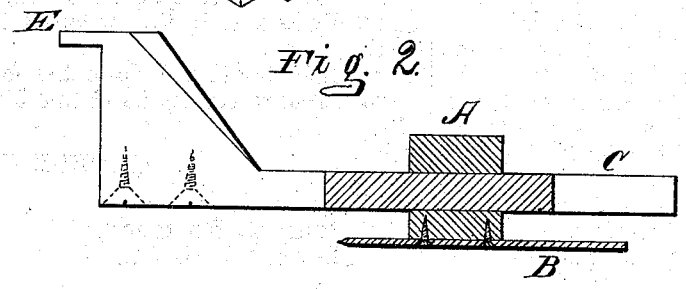


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN SIDING-GAGES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE GREEN, of Elizabeth, in the county of Jo Daviess and in the State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Siding-Gages; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction and arrangement of the several parts of an adjustable support and gage for weatherboarding, the peculiarities of which will be hereinafter set forth.

In the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective, and Fig. 2 a sectional, view.

In the figures, A represents a block, which has a slot or opening cut through it to receive the sliding gage C and the wedge D. Secured to the inner face of this block is a metal plate, B, the ends of which project beyond the sides of the block, as seen in Fig. 2. C represents a sliding graduated gage, which has a flat head, as seen, from *x* to *x*, and a flange, E. The shank of this gage passes through the opening in block A, and is secured in any desired position by means of the wedge D, which passes in by the side of it.

In using this gage the plate B has one end inserted between the last board nailed on and the preceding one, so that the upper edge of the block will rest against the bottom edge of the last board nailed on. The gage C is then set at any required point, and is there secured by the wedge D. The board to be nailed on is now placed with its bottom edge upon the head of the gage, where it is kept from slipping off by means of the flange E. When both ends of the board have been regulated by gages the board is easily nailed in proper place.

The wedge D can be made to clamp the board tightly between it and the plate B by making it bear against the board as well as against the gage C.

It will be seen and understood that the metal plate B is thin, and beveled at the upper end, and, when inserted between the boards, it is held by frictional contact.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim is—

The combination of the slotted block A with rigid friction-plate B, the adjustable sliding gage C with flange E and the wedge D, substantially as and for the purposes herein set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 30th day of May, 1876.

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