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Fence-Post.

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FIG. 2.

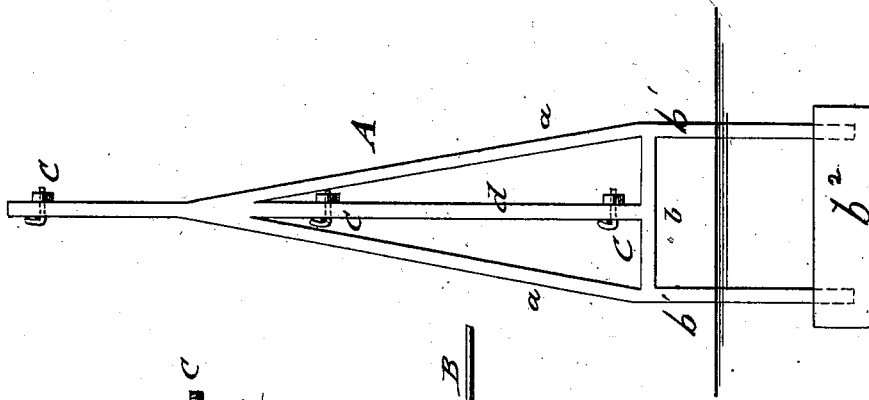


FIG. 3.

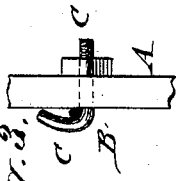


FIG. 4.

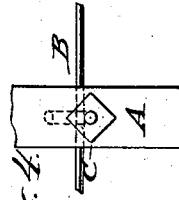
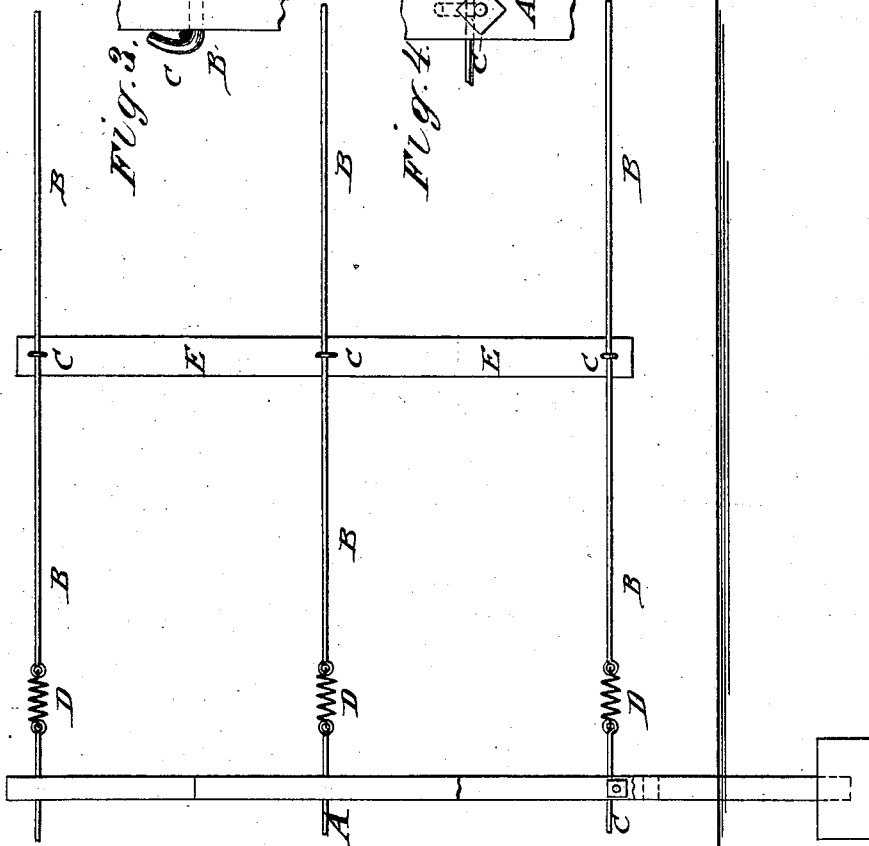


FIG. 1.



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IMPROVEMENT IN FENCE-POSTS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DARLEY C. JOHNSON, of New Providence, Union county, New Jersey, have invented an Improvement in Wire-Fence Posts, of which the following is a specification:

Figure 1 of the drawings represents a wire fence in side elevation, and Fig. 2 an elevation of the improved post. Figs. 3 and 4 represent detail views of the post with its clamps.

The novelty of the invention consists, essentially, in the integrality of structure jointly with the particular form of the post.

In the drawings, A represents the improved post; B, the wire rails; C, the intermediate bar that holds the rails at the proper distance apart, and D the springs that automatically take up the slack.

The post A is composed of the perpendicular bar *c d*, the inclined side bars or braces *a a*, the horizontal cross-bar *b*, and the down-

ward projections *b¹ b¹*, that are fastened in a base-piece, *b²*. These bars are all made of malleable iron, welded together, and forming a solid, substantial structure. The central bar *c d* receives the clamps by which the wire is secured to the bar, while the divergent limbs or braces *a a*, with the parallel extremities *b¹ b¹* and the cross-bar *b*, serve to brace and support it in a very effective manner.

What I claim as new is—

The improved post A, composed of the central vertical bar, divergent limbs or braces, with parallel extremities, and the cross-bar, the same being integral and of malleable iron, as shown and described.

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