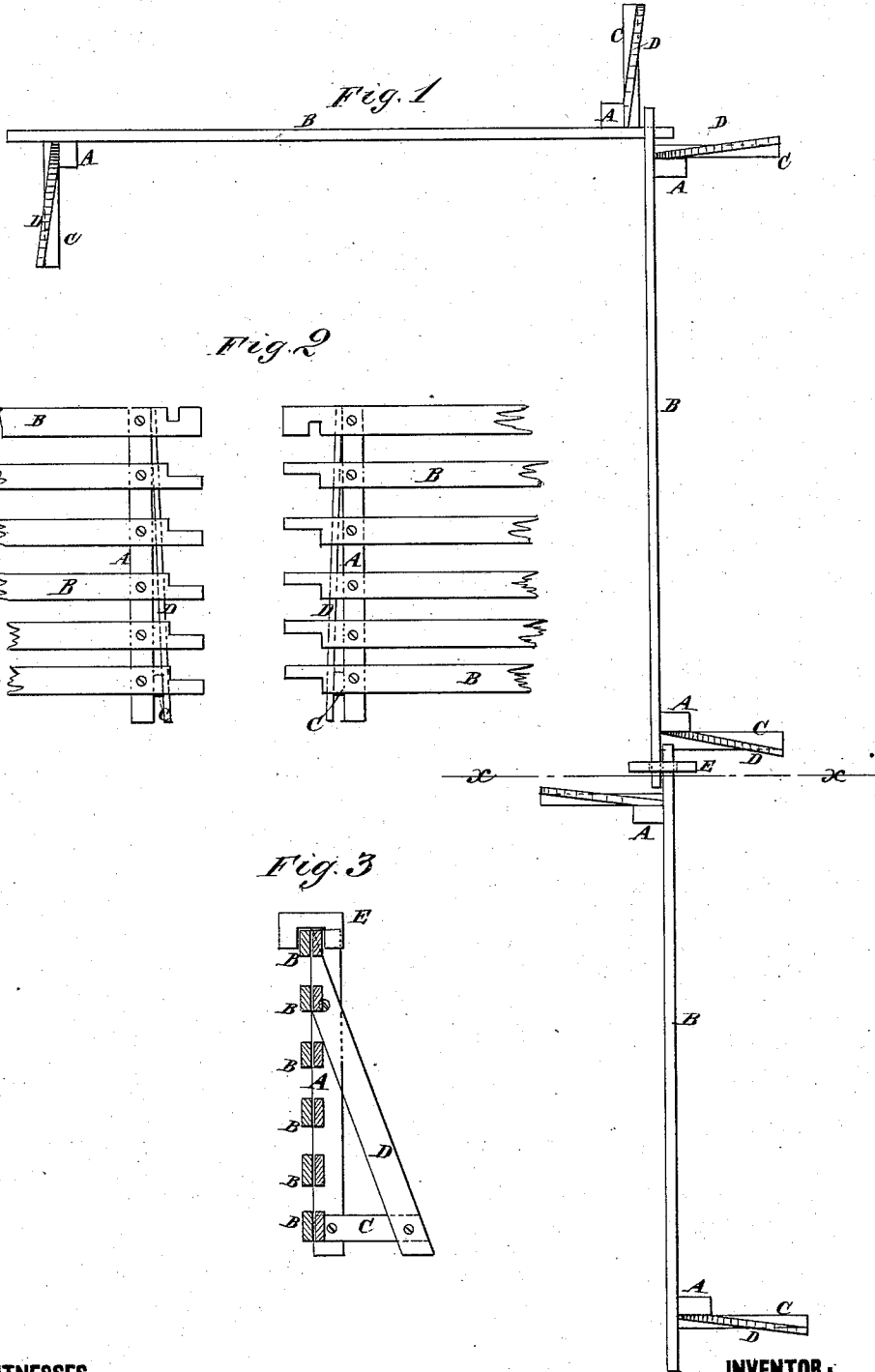


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IMPROVEMENT IN FENCES.

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To all whom it may concern :

Be it known that I, JOSIAH V. RICHARDSON, of Tuckerman, Jackson county, Arkansas, have invented a new and Improved Fence, of which the following is a specification :

Figure 1 is a plan view of my improved fence. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the corner-pieces; and Fig. 3 is a transverse section on line *x x*, Fig. 1.

The invention relates to the construction of the fence-panels, and the application of a clamp for securing them together, whereby they are made to form a line of continuous self-supporting fence, as hereinafter described.

In the drawings, A A are posts, to which the horizontal fence-boards B are attached by means of nails or screws. These posts are placed on opposite sides of the boards forming the panels, near their ends, and a short horizontal piece, C, is attached to the lower end of the posts.

A diagonal brace, D, is attached to the outer end of the piece C, and also to the top of the post A. These posts and braces, being placed on opposite sides of the boards com-

posing the panel, give it a firm bearing on the ground, and also facilitate packing the sections or panels when they are stored or loaded for transportation from place to place.

The overlapping ends of the panels are fastened together by a notched piece, E, which clamps the sections securely.

The ends of the boards forming the corner-panels are notched, as shown in Fig. 2, so that the boards interlock when connected together to form a corner.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The locking device E, in combination with the panels composed of the boards B and triangular posts A C D, attached to the ends of the latter, on opposite sides thereof, as shown and described, whereby panels may be secured together to form a continuous line of self-supporting fence.

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