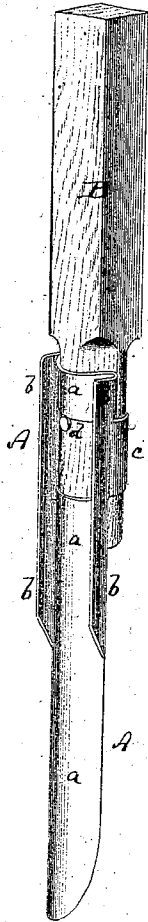


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IMPROVEMENT IN FENCE-POSTS.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ORVILLE L. LARKIN, of Otto, in the county of Cattaraugus and State of New York, have invented a new and improved Fence-Post; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing forming part of this specification.

The drawing represents a perspective view of my improved fence-post.

This invention has for its object to reduce the expense and increase the durability of fence-posts, and consists in making the foot or lower part of each post of metal, while the upper part is made of wood, to allow the nailing on of planks, &c.

The metallic foot is made light and simple, and can be made much cheaper than an equal length of wood; besides being more durable and reliable.

A, in the drawing, represents the metallic foot of a fence-post. It is either cast or stamped of sheet metal, the latter mode being preferable.

The foot is corrugated longitudinally at its upper

part, the middle trough *a* extending downward. The side corrugations *b b* steady the post in the ground.

One or more loops, *c*, are formed on the upper part of the foot, by stamping out cut portions, as shown. These loops form sockets for holding the wooden head B of the post.

A pin, *d*, projecting from the wood B through a slot of the foot, will serve to lock the two parts firmly together.

The form of the foot A may be more or less modified, and I do, therefore, not confine myself to the precise construction shown.

Having thus described my invention,

I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The metal foot A, corrugated as described, and provided with sockets *c* for holding the wooden head B, as specified.

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