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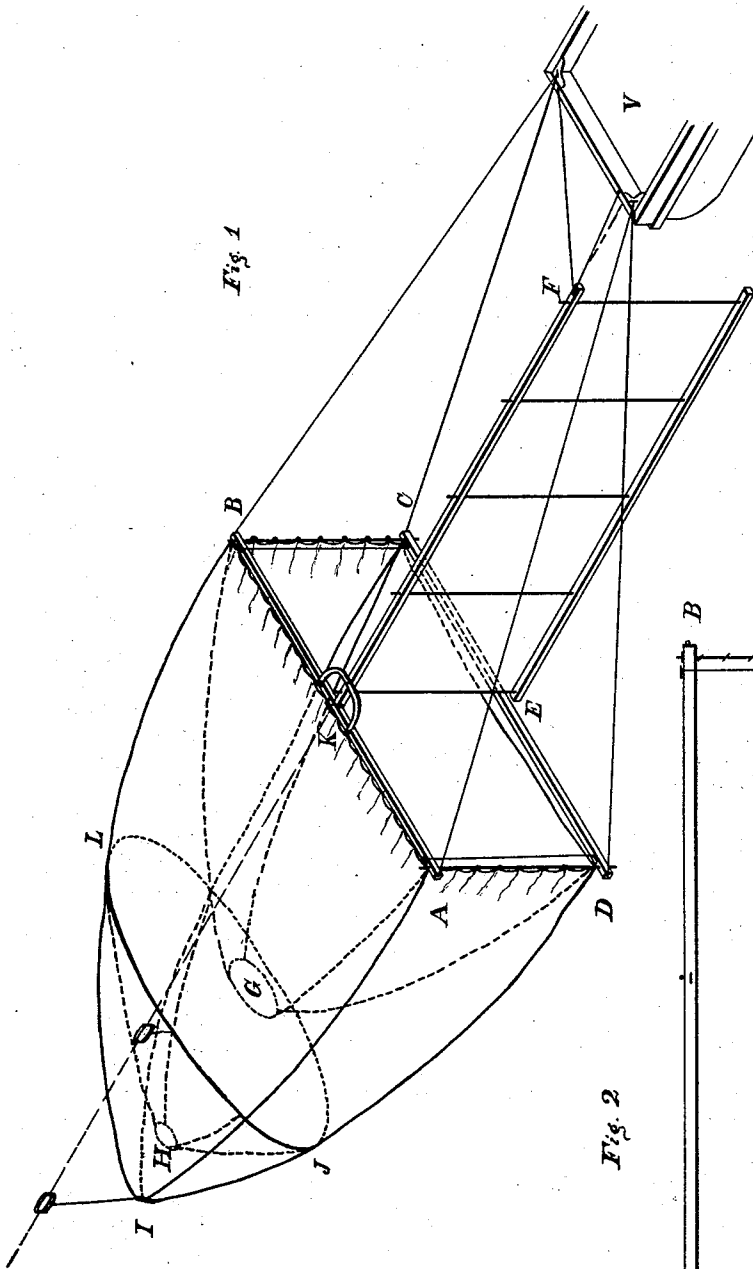
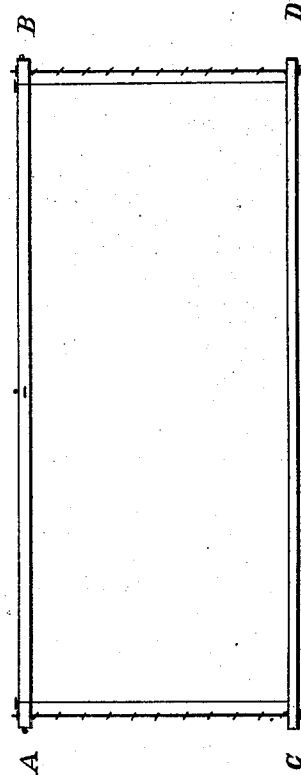


Fig. 2



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IMPROVEMENT IN FISHING APPARATUS FOR VESSELS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES BREWSTER, of Orland, in the county of Hancock and State of Maine, have invented a Fishing-Machine, of which the following is a specification:

The object of my invention is to catch fish in bays, harbors, rivers, and tideways by impounding.

I have constructed my machine so that it can be used by attaching it to a vessel; and the construction of said machine is fully explained and shown by the accompanying drawings.

The machine is illustrated in detail in plan view, Figure 1, and in the cross-sectional view, Fig. 2.

The machine is constructed with two pounds, made of marline, the larger of which is forty feet from its mouth to the mouth of the smaller pound. The smaller pound is twenty feet from its mouth to the end of the pound. These pounds are connected, and are attached to a frame made of wood and iron. That part of the frame that forms and shapes the mouth of the largest pound is represented in Figs. 1 and 2 by the letters A B C D, and consists of a wooden beam, as represented in Fig. 2 by letters A B, and a wooden beam, as represented in same figure by letters C D. These beams are forty feet in length, and are connected by iron rods, which form the sides of said frame, and are represented by letters A C and B D in Fig. 2. Said rods are sixteen feet in length. The frame A B C D in Fig. 1 is joined to E K F, which is constructed in same manner as A B C D in said Fig. 1. Said E K F is covered by marline, which forms a hedge, and said frame, as represented by A B C D and E K F, attaches to the vessel by an iron shank fastened to said vessel by eyebolts. Said

shank is represented by lines from the point F to the stem of the vessel V. The frame is held in place and regulated by guys that extend from the points A V B V C V D V.

The machine is regulated as to its depth in the water by shortening up on the guys, which causes the iron shank which attaches the frame to the vessel to turn in the eyebolts, and thus presses the frame under water. The semicircular brace at K connects the frame and strengthens it.

The largest pound is represented in Fig. 1 by G B C D A, the smaller pound by H L J, and both pounds are represented by I J D A and I L B C.

The mouth of the larger pound is opened and closed by pulleys running from A D and B C in Fig. 1, and made fast at points A and B. The machine is attached to the iron rods by rings.

The machine can be floated by buoys, or sunk by weights, when necessary.

I claim as my invention—

1. In a fishing attachment for vessels, the combination of the net-frame A B C D E F with a connecting metal shank, substantially as described and shown.

2. In combination with the net-frame A B C D E F, the nets or pounds I J D A I L B C, and the guys A V B V C V D V, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

3. In combination with the net-frame A to F, and the pounds I J D A I L B C, the rings connecting the nets and frame, substantially as herein described and shown.

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