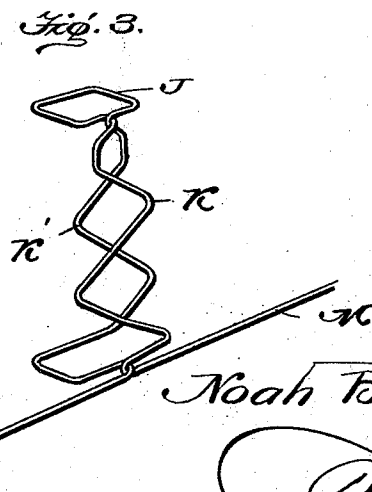
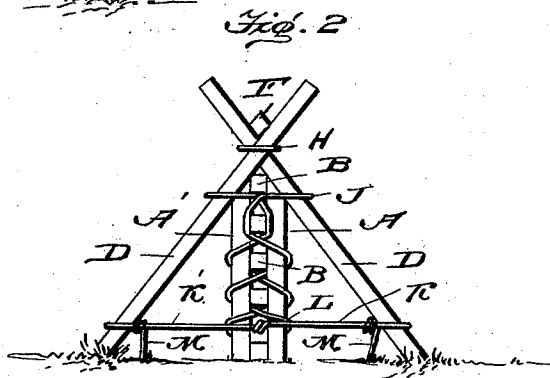
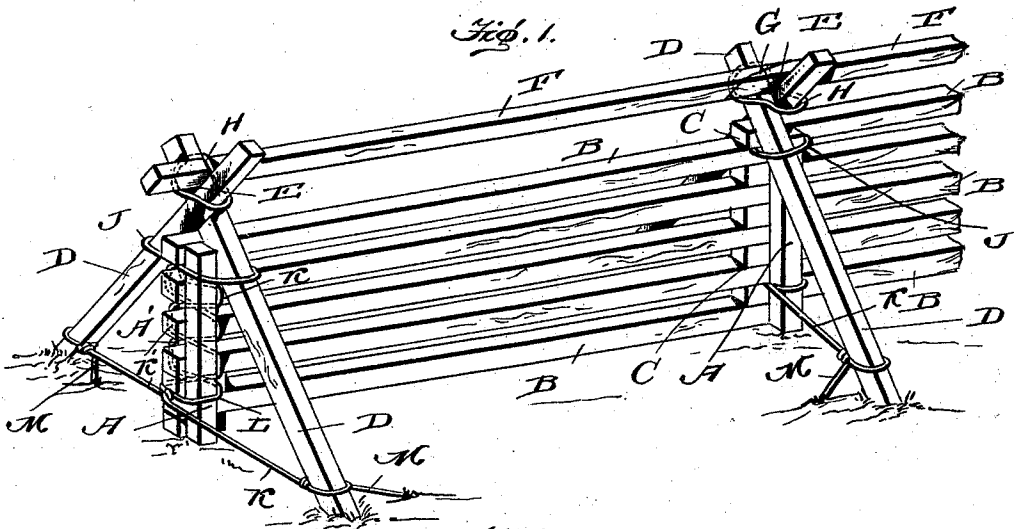


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, NOAH BOWSMAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Portland, in the county of Jay and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Fences; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to improvements in fences, and the object of my invention is the provision of a fence which will be strong and durable to withstand the damaging influence of the weather, which can be quickly built and at a moderate cost thus insuring a practical and useful fence.

To obtain the desired objects the invention consists of a fence embodying a novel construction, combination and arrangement of parts as will appear from the following description and drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of a portion of my fence complete. Fig. 2 represents an end elevation thereof, and Fig. 3 represents a detail view of the binding and bracing wires.

Referring by letter to the drawings—A and A' designate the ground or supporting posts of my fence which are driven to a suitable distance in the ground and are arranged parallel with and diagonally to each other.

B designates the longitudinal rails which are supported between the posts with their ends overlapping as shown at C, and thus forming a perfect support one upon the other.

D designates the bracing or inclined posts which cross near the top and provide the crotch or seat E in which rests the ends of the rider rails F, which are tapered at their abutting or meeting ends G causing them to

fit snugly together as a single rail and the rider rail is supported in and secured to the brace posts by the binding wire loop H, which passes around the tapered ends of the rider rails and around the upper ends of the brace or inclined posts and rigidly secures the parts together, as is evident.

To securely bind or fasten the posts and rails together I employ the binding wire having the loop J which passes around the inclined posts, the vertical posts and under the end of one of the rails. From thence the branches K and K' pass down and twine around the posts and rails as shown, then are bent to form the binding loop L, and finally the free ends M pass into the ground and act as bracing as well as binding wires. From this construction it is evident that I provide a farm fence which can be quickly and cheaply constructed, which is strong and durable and will withstand the hard usage and wear and tear.

I claim as my invention—

A fence consisting of the vertical posts, the longitudinal rails supported therein, the inclined posts having their upper ends crossing to form seats, the rider rails resting and supported therein, the binding loop passing around the ends of the rider rails and the upper ends of the inclined posts, the loop passing around the inclined posts, vertical posts and the rails, the branches leading from the loop and twined around the vertical posts and rails, the lower loop passing around the vertical posts and rails, and the branches leading from the loop into the ground, all as shown.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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