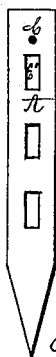
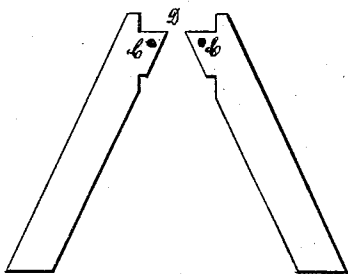
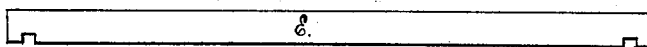
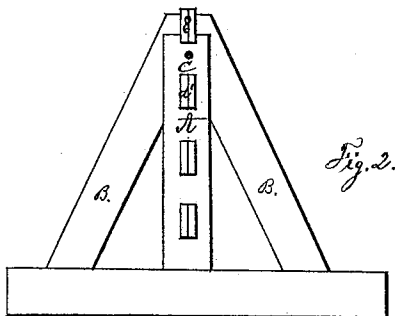
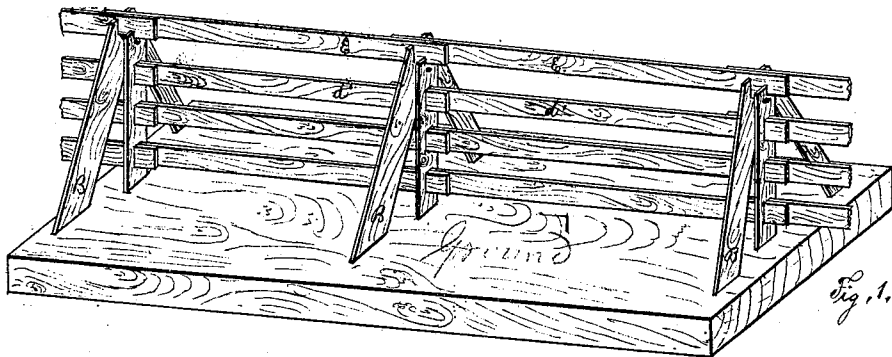


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IMPROVEMENT IN FENCE.

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

I, J. S. BURCH, of the city of Buffalo, in the county of Erie, and the State of New York, have invented certain Improvements in the Construction of Portable Fences, of which the following is a specification.

The nature of my invention consists in constructing portable fences, in such a manner that the same may be readily put up without the use of a single nail or its equivalent, and, also, may be taken down with the same facility.

The accompanying drawings show more fully the peculiarity of the improvement.

Figure 1, in the drawing, represents a ready put-up fence, in a perspective view.

Figure 2 represents a transverse section of fig. 1, showing those parts which constitute the post and supports of the same. They are jointed together with a bolt, in such a manner that the same may be folded together when the fence is taken up, and so easily stored away.

Figure 3 shows the post and supports and upper rail separately.

Letter A, in the respective figures, is the post, which is provided with a series of slot-holes, as may be seen, for the purpose of receiving the rails.

This post is secured to the supports B B, by means of bolt C, and is pointed on its lower end, that it may with ease be put into the ground.

B B are the supports of post A. They are constructed on the plan of a pair of tongs, and so arranged, that when they are spread apart on their lower end, they will close at their upper, where they form the jaws or mouth D to receive the upper rail, and there securely hold the same.

E is this upper rail, constructed for the purpose of supporting the fence lengthwise, and is, therefore, provided with two notches on its lower edge, (one on each end,) to lock in the supports B B.

It will be observed, that when the second rail E' is slipped into the slot-hole *d'*, after the upper rail is secured into D, the supports B B are locked firmly, and can neither be spread out any further, nor closed, and thus a very substantial and simple fence is obtained.

Having thus fully described my invention, I desire to secure, by Letters Patent, the following claim:

The construction and arrangement of the post A, the supports B B, and the joint C, all constructed in combination as described, and for the purposes and uses set forth.

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