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Fig: 1.

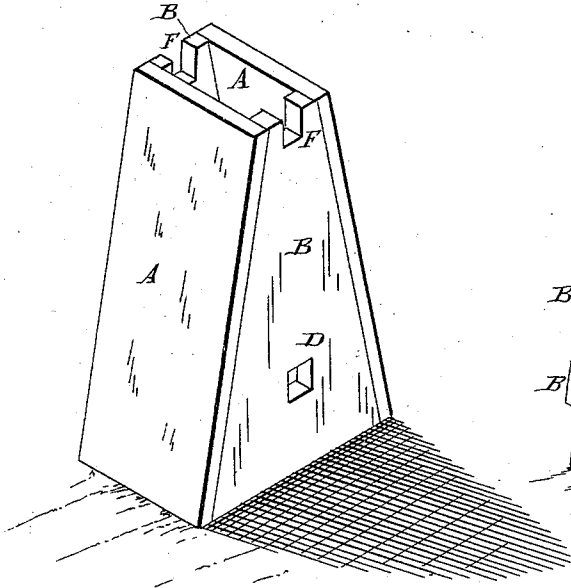


Fig: 2.

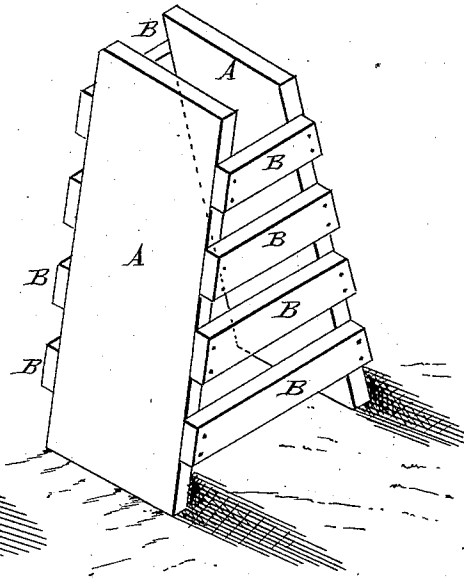


Fig: 3.

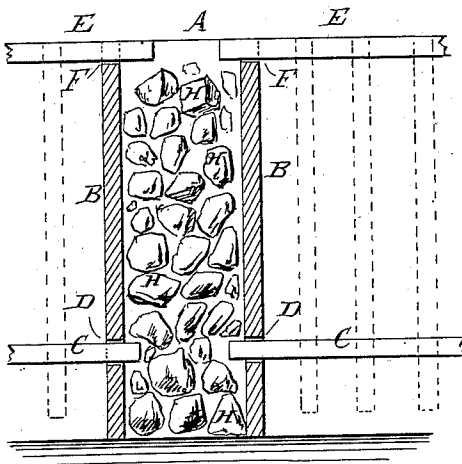
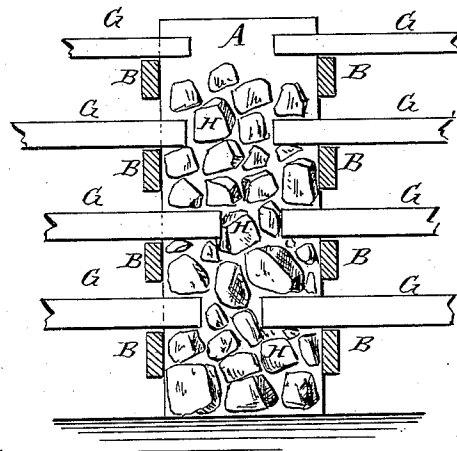


Fig: 4.



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FENCE-POST.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ELY NATHANIEL OBERT, of Cuba, in the county of Allegany and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Fence-Posts, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of one form of my improved fence-post. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of another form of the same. Fig. 3 is a sectional front elevation of the post shown in Fig. 1, illustrating its use. Fig. 4 is a sectional front elevation of the post shown in Fig. 2, illustrating its use.

The object of this invention is to provide fence-posts simple and inexpensive in construction, convenient in use, strong, durable, and not liable to be moved out of place by wind or water.

The invention consists of the combination of parts and their construction, substantially as hereinafter fully set forth.

The front and rear sides, A, of the post are made of boards having their upper ends inclined toward each other. The ends B of the post are vertical, and can be made close, as shown in Figs. 1 and 3, or of cross-slats, as shown in Figs. 2 and 4. The latter construction is more particularly designed for rail-fences and the former for picket-fences, and both forms can be used for board fences. The interior of the posts A B is designed to be filled with stones H, the weight of which will hold the posts securely in place against the force of wind and water, so that the fence will be secure and substantial.

In the case of picket-fences, the ends of the lower bars, C, are inserted in mortises D, formed in the lower parts of the ends B, and the ends of the upper bars, E', are inserted in recesses F, formed in the upper edges of the said ends B, as shown in Figs. 1 and 3. The pickets are then attached to the bars C E in the ordinary manner, as indicated in dotted lines in Fig. 3.

In the case of rail-fences, the ends of the rails G can be inserted between the slats forming the ends B of the posts, as shown in Fig. 4.

In the case of board fences, the boards can be nailed to the ends B of the form of post shown in Figs. 1 and 3, and to the edges of the sides of the form shown in Figs. 2 and 4, either between the slats or instead of the said slats, or can be nailed directly to the said slats. With this construction the ends of the bars C E and rails G should project into the interior of the posts A B, as shown in Figs. 3 and 4, so as to be held securely in place by the stones.

I am aware that, broadly, it is old to anchor the post by stones, and to provide the post with apertures to receive the ends of the rails.

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

The combination, with the rails, of the hollow fence-post open at top and bottom, having its sides inclined inwardly toward the top, and provided with apertures in its ends, which receive the ends of the rails, said post and rails being anchored or held in place by stones placed in the post, as shown and described, for the purpose set forth.

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