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Fig. 1

Fig. 2.

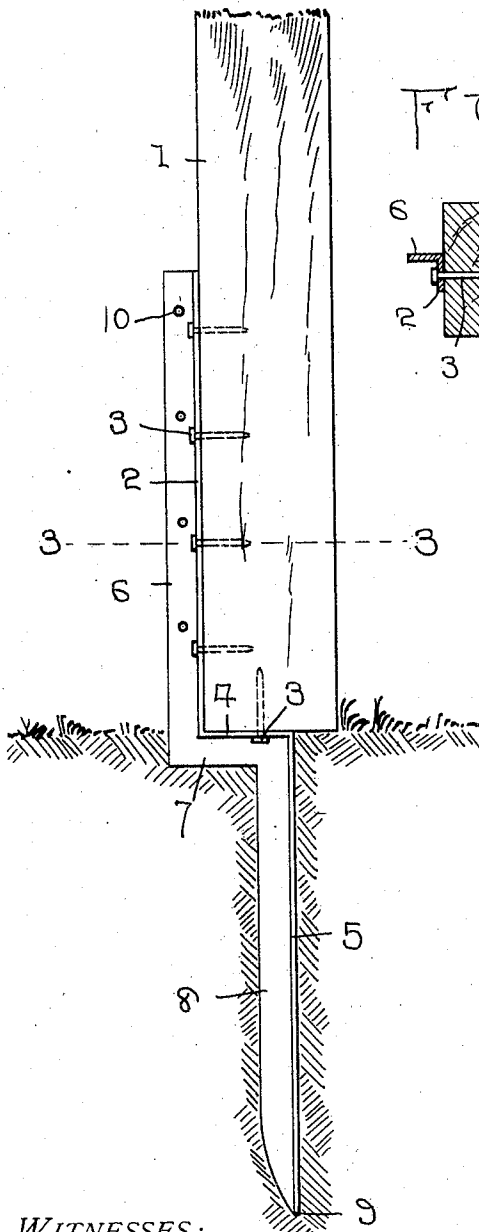
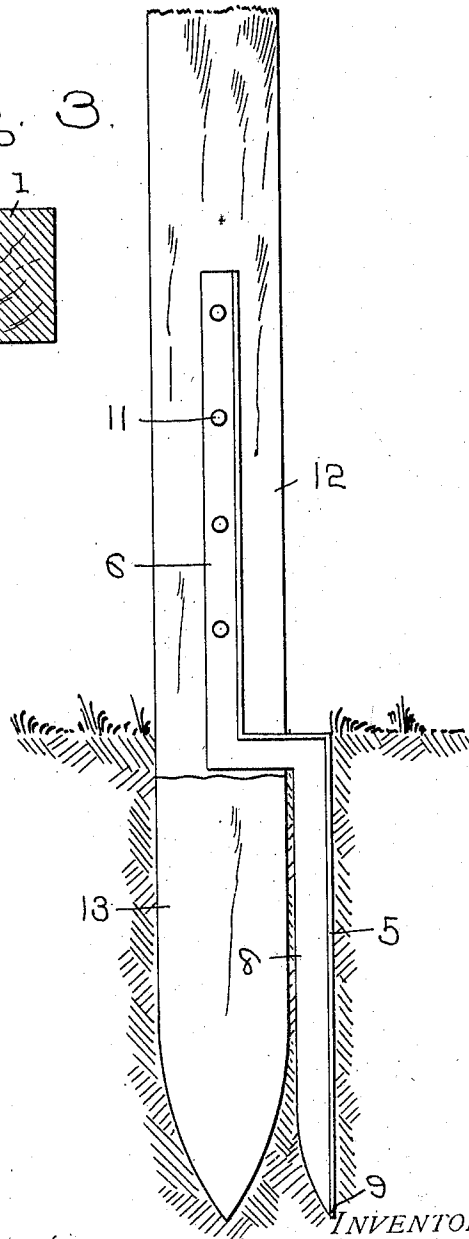
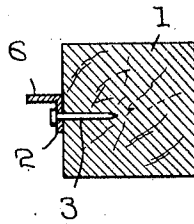


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES JOHNSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Dent, in the county of Ottertail and State of Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Detachable Fence-Post Points; and I do hereby 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.

This invention relates to detachable points and more particularly to fence post points

15 An object of the invention is to provide a detachable point for securing fence posts in position.

Another object is to devise a point which may be employed for securing solid posts in position or for securing broken posts and fastening the upper portion of said broken posts upon their lower portions within the ground.

25 Another object is to provide a point of the above stated character which will be simple in construction and effective in the performance of its duties.

Other objects and advantages will be hereinafter set forth and pointed out in the specification and claims.

30 In the accompanying drawings which are made a part of this application, Figure 1 is an elevational view showing the point employed for holding a new post, such as formed of cordwood, in position, while, Fig. 2 is a similar view showing the point turned at an angle and employed for securing the upper portion of a broken post upon its lower portion within the ground, and, Fig. 3 is a cross sectional view on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1.

Referring more particularly to the drawings in which similar reference numerals designate corresponding parts throughout the several views, 1 represents a post such as formed of cordwood and employed as a fence post, said post having the front angle 2 of the metallic detachable point secured thereto by the spikes 3 or other suitable means. The horizontal portion 4 of the front angle of said point is secured to the bottom of the post 1 by means of a spike 3 and the depending vertical portion 5 of the

front angle of said point is adapted to be driven into the ground beneath the post 1. 55

It will be understood that as the metallic point is formed of angle iron, the side angle portions 6, 7 and 8 are at right angles to the portions 2, 4 and 5 of the front angle of said point. The lower extremities of the portions 5 and 8 are tapered to a point 9, thus making the task, of driving the depending portions 5 and 8 of the front and side angles respectively of said point into the ground, easy. The upper portion 6 of the side angle of the point is provided with suitable bolt openings 10 through which spikes 11 may be driven, said spikes entering the upper portion 12 of a broken post to secure said upper portion upon its lower portion 13 within the ground, the depending portions 5 and 8 of the front and side angles respectively of said point being driven into the ground along the side of the lower portion 13 of the wooden post. The horizontal portions 4 and 7 of the metallic front rest, in this instance, upon the surface of the ground or they may, if desired, be driven slightly below the surface of the ground to properly seat the upper portion 12 of the wooden post upon its lower portion 13. 70 75 80

Thus it will be seen that I have provided a point for fence posts and the like which may be readily employed for holding solid posts in position or for securing the upper portions of broken posts upon their lower portions within the ground. When the point is used for the latter purpose, the broken post is made as strong as a new post. 85 90

It will also be apparent that this style of point may be used in connection with cordwood in the construction of cheap or inexpensive fences, securely holding each post in position to receive the fence wire. This is especially desirable in communities where fences are numerous and inclose large tracts of ground. 95

Owing to the construction of the metallic points they may be manufactured at an extremely small cost and will be highly effective in the performance of their duties. 100

What I claim is:

A supporting member for fence posts comprising a strip bent to form parallel end sections and a right angularly disposed 105

central portion, an integral flange projecting from said strip for the entire length of one of the longitudinal edges thereof, and disposed at right angles thereto, one end of
5 said member being provided with spaced openings and the other end being tapered.
In testimony whereof I have signed my

name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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