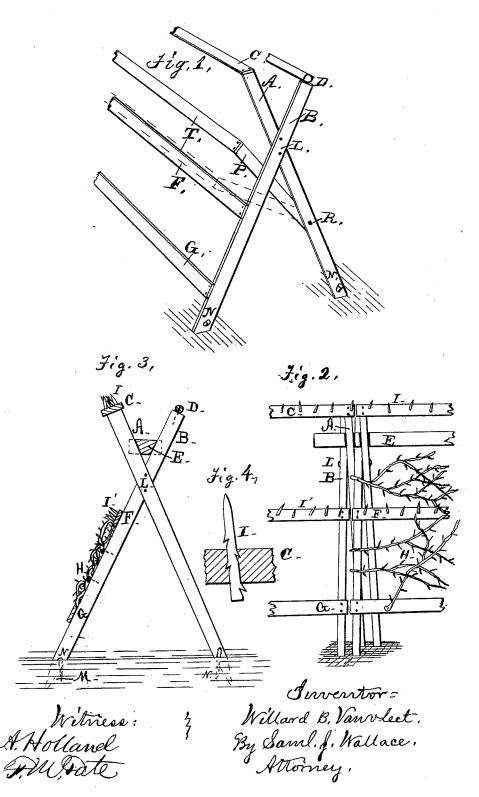
W. B. VANVLEET. Fence.

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IMPROVEMENT IN FENCES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLARD B. VANYLEET, of Vincennes, Lee county, Iowa, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Fences, of which the following is a specification.

This is made substantially as set forth hereinafter, referring to the accompanying draw-

ings, in which-

Figure 1 is an elevation of fence-panel. Fig. 2 is a side elevation, and Fig. 3 a cross-section, showing construction of certain details of same. Fig. 4 is also a detail of part of same.

This invention consists in an improved fence, with separate movable sections, having the improved features substantially as set forth.

The fence has separate panels arranged to be self-supporting, and to be set end to end and locked together by poles E, which have notches cut in them to fit between and over the crossed posts A B of two adjoining panels. These poles E are separate from the panel parts, and serve to hold them together into a line of rigid continuous fence.

The panels have at each end and in the center posts A B, set into the ground and forming supporting-legs. They are connected together

as shown, forming a cross.

The posts B bear boards G F below the cross. Large osage-orange trimmings or other brush H are nailed onto these boards and

posts, as shown, to fill the interspaces in a-well-known way, when desired.

The posts A bear a board, C, nailed on their ends, as shown, to form the top of fence over the boards G F. This is sometimes made as a pole, as shown at D.

The panels have parts P pivoted to the posts A at R, so as to turn freely. They bear board T on their ends, as shown, and rest on boards F so board T projects beyond and above that, so that when animals push against it, it will rise with them and cause them to desist.

Barbs I I' are set into one or more of the panel-boards G F T C, as desired, and project in the manner shown, having barbs cut into their sides to hold them in place.

The posts A B have holes in their lower ends where set into the ground, through which pins are driven crosswise into the ground to hold them solid.

The panels are separated removably by taking off the notched rider-pole E.

l claim—

The movable post bearing boards P T in a movable panel-fence, substantially as set forth.

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