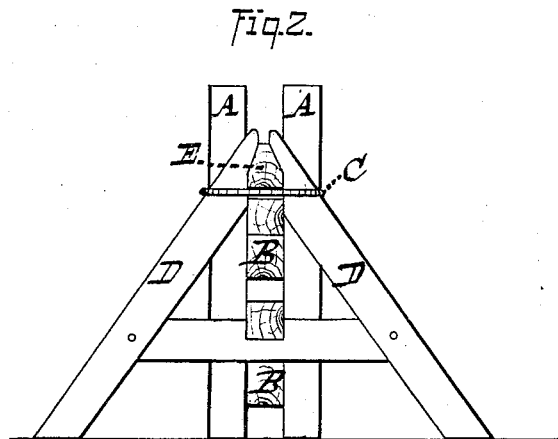
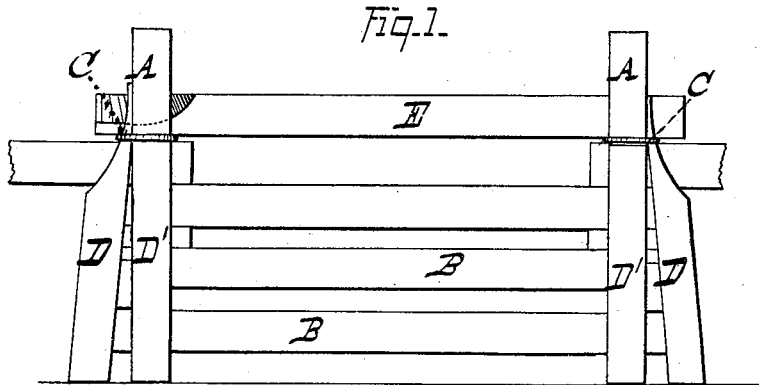


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IMPROVEMENT IN FARM-FENCES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN P. MONNETT, of Bucyrus, in the county of Crawford and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Fences; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains 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, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation, and Fig. 2 an end elevation, of my improved fence.

Corresponding parts in the two figures are designated by like letters.

This invention relates to a certain improvement in fences; and it consists of posts or uprights, between which a rail or rider is wedged in place by means of rings encircling the said posts and the upper ends of diagonal braces forced against and down upon the said rail or rider, substantially as hereinafter more fully set forth.

In the annexed drawing, A A refer to uprights or posts suitably united together to receive the rails B B in constructing the fence. C C are metallic rings, which are slipped down around the posts A A and the upper ends of the diagonal braces D D, as clearly shown in the drawing. E is the upper rail or rider,

with its upper surface chamfered as shown in Fig. 2, and which, as it is driven or forced down between the posts A A and the upper ends of the diagonal braces D D, will become wedged in place, and firmly secure the rings C C in place around the posts and braces, the latter being forced against and down upon the chamfered surface of the rider, as seen in the last-mentioned figure, completely locking the several parts together.

By duplicating the diagonal braces, as seen at D D', Fig. 2, pins, &c., can be driven between the said braces into the ground to further retain the fence in position.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letter Patent, is—

The combination, substantially as shown and described, of the posts A A, rings C C, braces D D, and rider E, wedged between the upper ends of the braces, thereby firmly locking the rings in place around the said braces and posts, as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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