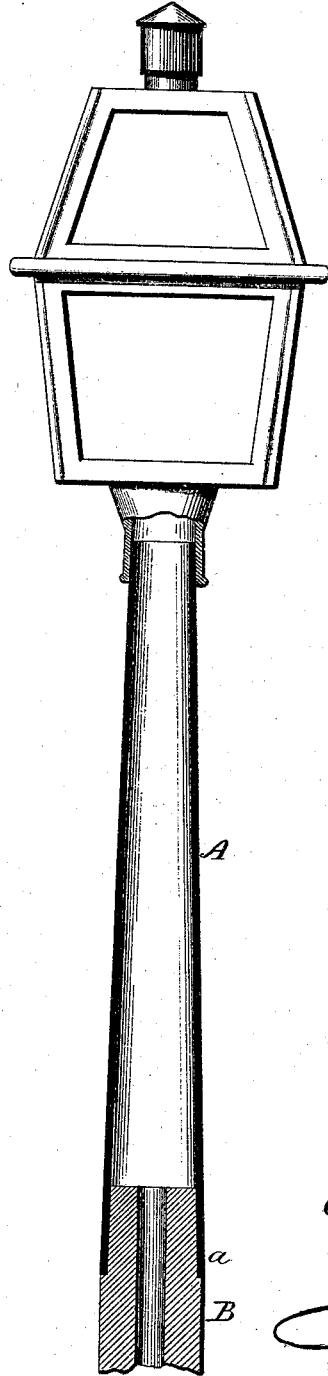


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LAMP POSTS.

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IMPROVEMENT IN LAMP-POSTS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD F. MORSE, of Plantsville, in the county of Hartford and State of Connecticut, have invented a new Improvement in Lamp-Posts; and I do hereby declare the following, when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings and the letters of reference marked thereon, to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, and which said drawings constitute part of this specification, and represent a sectional side view.

This invention relates to an improvement in the construction of posts used to support street-lamps, commonly called "lamp-posts;" the object of the invention being to produce a cheap but durable post; and it consists in a base or plug, combined with a sheet-metal tube set over the said plug and supported thereby, and so as to receive and support the lamp at the top, as more fully hereinafter described.

A is the post proper, which is formed from sheet metal, worked into cylindrical or other form, the two edges of the sheet joined together in any known manner. B is a plug or

base, which is set into the ground, and constructed at its upper edge with a shoulder, *a*, to receive the sheet-metal portion A, as shown. This plug is made hollow, to receive a gas-pipe. The sheet-metal portion and the plug B constitute the complete article, it only being necessary that the upper end of the post shall be constructed to receive the lamp or gas-burner.

By this construction a very much lighter post is produced than the usual molded cast post, and one very much stronger than the wood post, but at little, if any, more cost than such wood post.

I do not broadly claim a hollow or tubular post, as such, I am aware, is not new.

I claim—

As an article of manufacture, the herein-described lamp-post, consisting of the shouldered hollow plug B and the sheet-metal tube A, substantially as set forth.

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