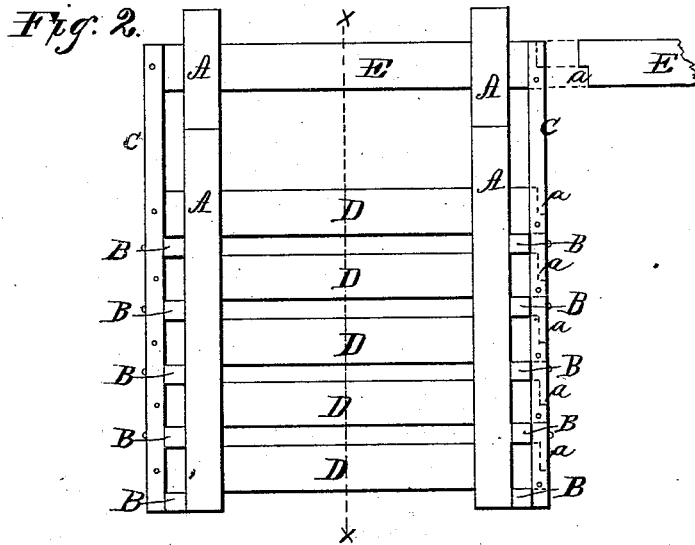
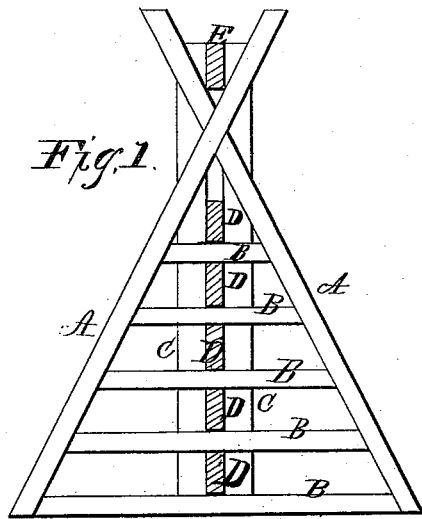


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, TILMON J. OLIVER, of Jackson, in the county of Madison and in the State of Tennessee, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Constructing Fences; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction and arrangement of a fence, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a transverse section of my fence through line *x x* of Fig. 2; and Fig. 2 is a front view of the same.

Each fence post in my fence is composed of two inclined posts, A A, crossing and halved into each other. To these posts are secured a number of horizontal cross-bars, B B, at suitable distances apart. In the center to

these cross-bars are secured two upright bars, C C, a sufficient distance apart to admit the ends of the bars or rails D D, which rest upon the horizontal cross-bars B. The ends of these bars or rails D are cut with shoulders or offsets *a* to overlap each other. In the forks of the inclined posts A is laid another bar or rail, E, having its ends also halved or shouldered to form the joint with the next panel.

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

The combination of the inclined posts A A, halved into each other, the horizontal bars B B, upright center-bars C C, and the bars or rails D D and rider E, having their ends halved to overlap those belonging to the adjoining panel, substantially as herein set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 25th day of April, 1876.

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