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Fig. 1 Fig.2 Fig.3

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IMPROVEMENT IN FENCE-BARBS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LEWIS T. LARSON WING, of Cambridge, in the county of Story and State of Iowa, have invented an Improved Fence-Barb, of which the following is a specification:

My invention consists in forming and rigidly fixing on a fence-wire, from two separate and pointed pieces of wire of unequal length, a four-pointed barb, as hereinafter fully set forth.

Figure 1 of my drawing is a perspective view, illustrating the manner in which I bend a pointed piece of wire, and prepare it to engage and hold a straight-pointed piece to a fence-wire. a is the doubled and hook-form portion. b b are the pointed ends.

Fig. 2 is a perspective view, illustrating my manner of connecting two pointed pieces of unequal length with a fence-wire preparatory to fixing them rigidly to produce a four-pointed barb. d represents a fence-wire having dents n formed, by pressure or in any suitable way, at the points where the barbs are to be placed.

The longest and doubled hook-form piece a b b is hung upon the fence-wire d, and the short and pointed piece c is passed horizontally through the doubled hook a and a dent,

n, in the fence-wire, to remain suspended, and ready to be bent by means of pinchers or any suitable tool, to clamp the doubled hook-form piece.

At the same time that the short piece c is bent the piece a b b is pressed together to clasp the fence-wire d, and clamp the doubled and staple-form short piece c rigidly in the dent n of the fence-wire d. A rigidly-fixed and durable barb having four radial points is thus easily produced.

Fig. 3 is a perspective view of a complete barb constructed and fixed in the manner shown and described, and clearly illustrates my complete invention.

I claim as my invention—

1. As an improved article of manufacture, the doubled hook-form and pointed barb-piece *a b b*, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

2. The doubled hook-form and pointed piece $a \ b \ b$ and the pointed piece c, in combination with a fence-wire, d, to form a four-pointed fence-barb.

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