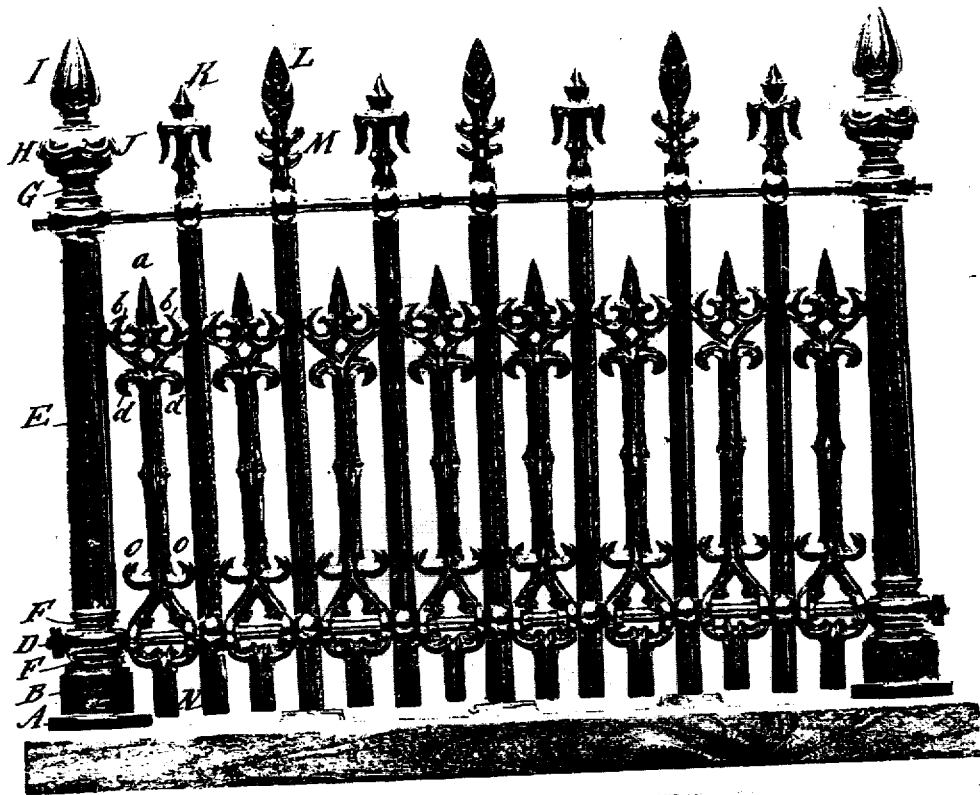


DESIGN

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DESIGN FOR FENCES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH H. RICKER, of the city of Lock Haven, in the county of Clinton and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and Improved Design for Fence, of which the following is a specification:

My design for a fence is fully represented in the accompanying photographic illustration, to which reference is made.

The base A of the post is octagonal, with plain sides, and above the base is an octagonal section, B, over which is an oval boss, D, between which and said part B, also between it and the fluted body section E, is a deep groove, F. At the top of the fluted section is a boss, G, above which is a large boss, H, which is surmounted by the conical boss I. The boss H is ornamented with the festoon band J, and the cone boss by vertical or longitudinal ribs and grooves. The long pickets are constructed with alternate dart-shaped tops K, and spear-shaped tops L, with lateral

points M. The short pickets have a heart-shaped figure, N, near the lower end with lateral points O above, and the top consists of the point *a*, upturned branches *b*, and downwardly-turned points *d*.

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

1. As a design, a fence-post, having the octagonal section B, boss D, grooves F, fluted section E, and bosses G H I, substantially as shown and described.

2. As a design, the spear-shaped picket top L M, substantially as shown and described.

3. As a design, a picket, with the heart-shaped figure N, points O, pointed top *a*, and branches *b d*, substantially as shown and described.

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