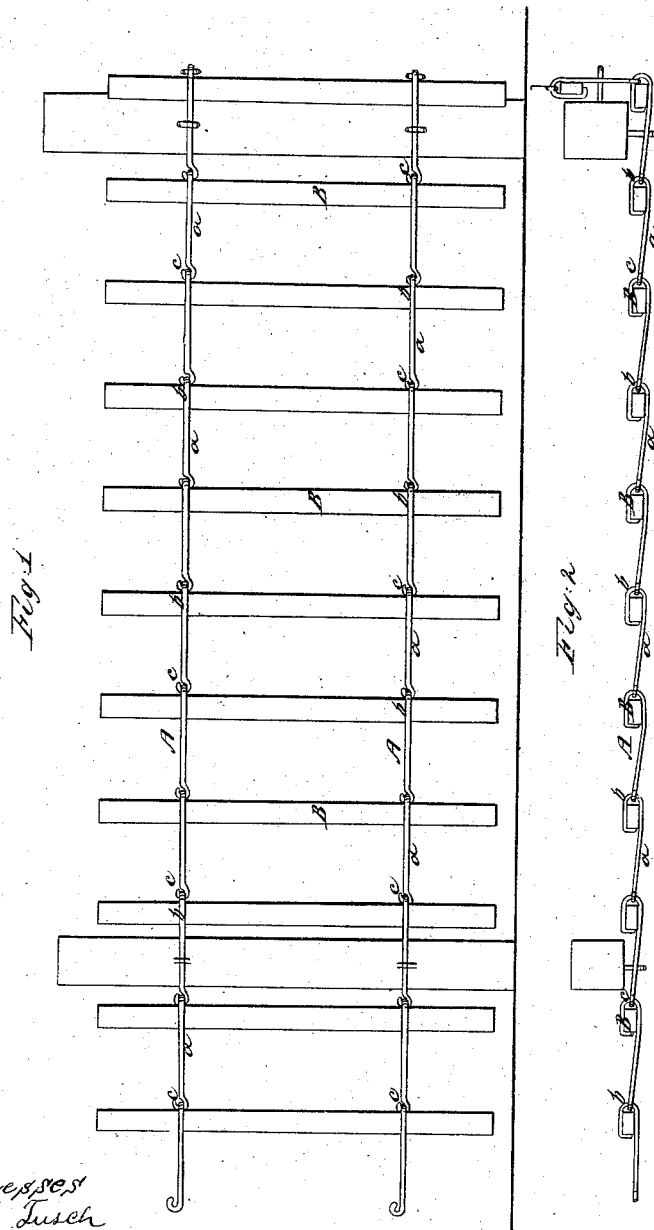


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IMPROVEMENT IN PORTABLE FENCES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, E. D. MONTROSE, of Nashua, in the county of Chickasaw and State of Iowa, have invented a new and Improved Portable Fence; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable those skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a side view of my invention; Fig. 2, a plan or top view of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

This invention consists in attaching pickets to the links of a wire chain, substantially in the manner as hereinafter set forth, whereby a very economical, durable, and flexible fence is obtained, one which may be readily put up and taken down and adjusted so as to form any angle that may be required in course of its erection.

A A represent two chains composed of links *a*, which are all formed precisely alike, one end being curved or bent so as to extend around the pickets B, as shown at *b*, Fig. 2, and the opposite ends bent to form small eyes *c*, to hook into the large loops *b*, the eye *c* of one link being engaged with the loop *b* of the adjoining one.

The pickets B are secured in both chains A A, the pickets being parallel with each other and the links *a* being attached to them at equal distances apart from their ends, so that the upper and lower ends of the pickets will all be in line with each other, as shown clearly in Fig. 1.

By this arrangement a flexible fence is obtained, one that may be adjusted to form any angle required, and it may be secured to posts set in the ground, or secured thereto in any proper way, or it may be attached to trees or other fixtures.

The links *a* may be cheaply constructed and the pickets secured in them with the greatest facility. The pickets may be constructed of any of the different kinds of wood now used for such purpose.

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

A portable fence constructed of two or more parallel chains, A A, composed of links *a*, bent in the form and around the pickets B, in the manner substantially as herein set forth.

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