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STUB FENCE POST.

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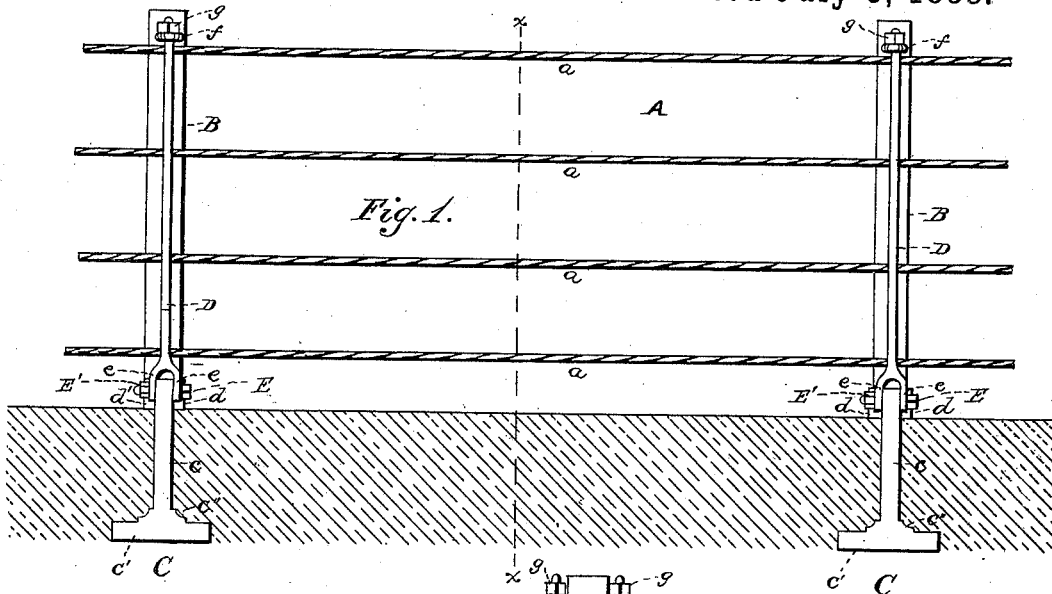


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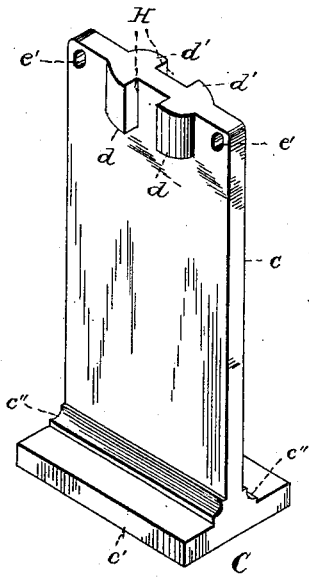


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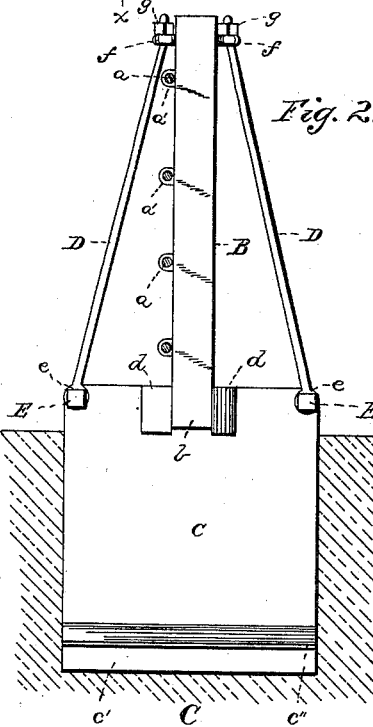
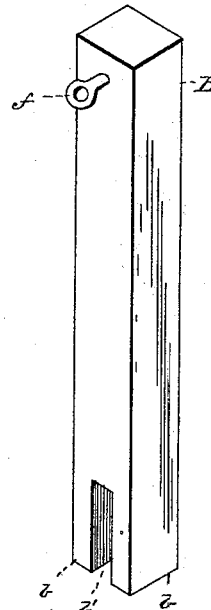


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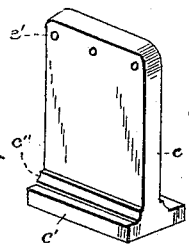


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## STUB FENCE-POST.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JAMES MAHON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Mansfield, in the county of Richland and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Stub Fence-Posts; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it ap-

10 pertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to an improved stub for supporting fence-posts; and it has for its objects to provide a device which may be anchored or partially buried in the ground, and having a seat for the fence-post, which is bifurcated and adapted to set over on project-

15 ing end of the said stubs, which is preferably made of terra-cotta or like material, as more fully hereinafter specified.

20 In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a side elevation of a fence mounted upon my improved stub, the latter being buried in the ground. Fig. 2 is a view taken at right angles to that shown in Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a per-

25 spective view of the stub detached, and Fig. 4 a perspective view of one of the fence-posts. Fig. 5 is a perspective view of the stub.

Referring to the drawings, the letter C indicates the stub, and *c* the stub proper, which

30 rises vertically from the base at right angles thereto. The upper portion of the vertical stub on opposite sides is provided with lugs *d* *d'*, which, with the intermediate portion of the stub, form a seat, H, for the bifurcated end *b*

35 *b'* of the fence-post B. At the juncture of the

stub *c* and base C, on each side, is a fluted rib, *c''*, which strengthens the device at that point and assists in holding it in the ground. The opposite sides of the base form wings *c'*, which mainly hold the device in the ground. The stub is provided with apertures *e'* for the reception of the lower ends, *e*, of the braces D, and the fence-post with eyebolts *f*, for the reception of the upper ends of said braces. The letter *a* indicates the horizontal fence-wires, and *a'* the edges which support the same. The letter *g* indicates a nut, which confines the braces *d* to the eyebolts *f*.

The stub may be constructed of any suitable material, and is preferably made of terra-cotta.

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

1. A stub for fence-posts, consisting of the base C and post-support *c*, at right angles thereto, the latter at its upper edge on opposite sides having short lugs *d* *d'*, forming a seat for the bifurcated fence-post B, substantially as specified.

2. The combination, with the stub C *c*, having short lugs at its upper edge, of the fence-post B, slotted at its lower end and seated between said lugs, substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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