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Fig. 1.

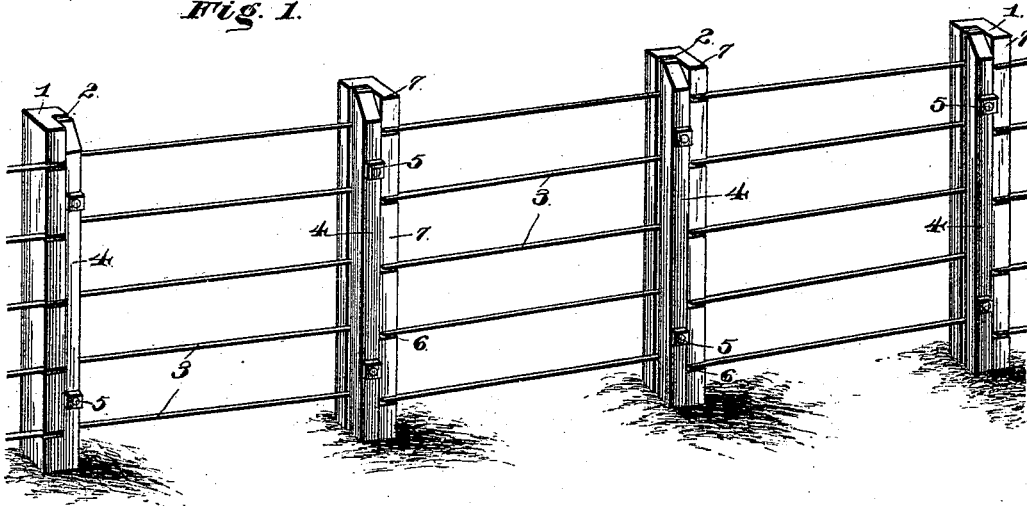


Fig. 2.

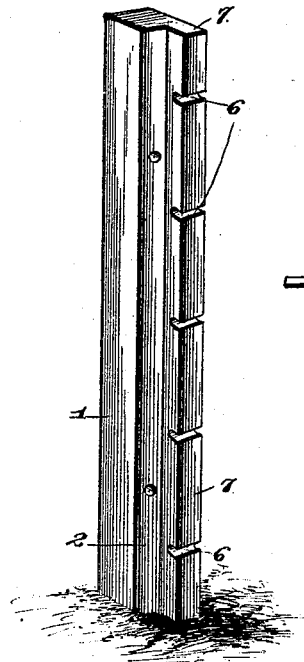
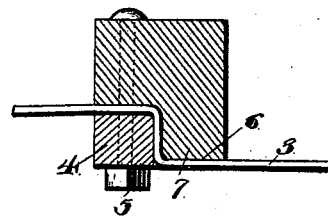


Fig. 3.



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FENCE-POST.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JUBAL E. HODSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Redwood Falls, in the county of Redwood and State of Minnesota, have invented a new and useful Fence-Post, of which the following is a specification.

The invention relates to improvements in fence posts.

10 The object of the present invention is to improve the construction of fences, and to provide a fence post adapted to clamp the wires of a fence, and to maintain the same at the desired tension.

15 The invention consists in the construction and novel combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings and pointed out in the claims hereto appended.

20 In the drawings—Figure 1 is a perspective view of a portion of a fence provided with posts constructed in accordance with this invention. Fig. 2 is a detail perspective view of one of the posts, the clamping strip being removed. Fig. 3 is a horizontal sectional view of the post and clamping bar.

Like numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures of the drawings.

30 1 designates a fence post provided at one of its corners with a longitudinal angular recess 2 in which horizontal fence wires 3 are adapted to be clamped by a vertical strip 4 connected with the post by bolts 5. The clamping strip is of a size to fit in the longitudinal recess of the post, and is adapted to be drawn into the same to clamp the fence wires and to increase the tension of them. The horizontal fence wires are arranged in notches 6 of the flange 7 which is formed by the longitudinal angular recess 2, and series of the notches are provided to enable the

fence wires to be arranged at the desired height.

The fence posts clamp the wires at intermediate points of a fence, and do not necessitate a fence wire being stretched the entire length of the fence, but enable them to be stretched over much shorter distances, thereby greatly facilitating the construction of fences, and the maintenance of the fence wires at the proper tension.

Besides being employed in the construction of fences as shown in the accompanying drawings, the posts may also be employed in gates and other parts of fences and gates as will be readily understood.

It will be seen that the fence post is simple and comparatively inexpensive in construction, that it is adapted to clamp fence wires at an intermediate point of a fence, and that by drawing the fence wires in the angular recess, the tension of them is increased.

What I claim is—

In a fence, gate or the like, the combination of a post provided at one of its corners with an angular longitudinal recess forming a flange at the opposite side of the post, said post being provided in the flange with a series of wire receiving notches, a vertical clamping bar arranged longitudinally of the post and disposed opposite the recess and adapted to be drawn into the same to clamp fence wires and to increase their tension, and means for securing the clamping bar to the post, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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