# J.C. Hilles, Portable Fence,

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### IMPROVEMENT IN PORTABLE FENCE.

The Schedule referred to in these Netters Patent and making part of the same.

#### TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, Joseph C. Hughes, of Robinson, in the country of Crawford, and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Portable Fences; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view.

Figure 2 is a top view of a corner.

Figure 3 is an elevation of the top of a corner post.

Figure 4 is a side elevation of one of the supporting frames.

Figure 5, a top view of the junction of two panels; and

Figure 6 a side elevation of one of the panel-posts.

The same letters are employed in all the figures in the designation of identical parts.

This invention consists in an improved mode of uniting the panels and frame-supports of portable fences, as will be set forth hereinafter in the description and claims.

A is the triangular frame-piece by which the two ends of the connecting straight panels are tied together. It is in form an isosceles triangle, the shorter side being the base. There are notehes cut in the middle of the base and in the apex, as shown in fig. 4. Bevelled notches are cut in the sides of the top of the end pieces of the panels intended to form the straight part of the fence, and square notches are cut in the lower ends. These notches enter those in the triangular supporting frames and prevent, by interlocking one another, any movement of either the panels or the supporting frames. The corners are formed by cutting in the end pieces of the corner panels bevelled notches, which are bevelled both ways, that is, bevelled in the direction of their length vertically, like the frame A, and also from one side to the other, as shown in fig. 3. The edges of the notches in the top and bottom of the corner supporting frames C are also bevelled to correspond with the angles of the corner panels. The panels are interlocked with the notches in the same manner as the others.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is-

The combination of the straight panels B and triangular supporting frame A, when respectively constructed substantially as set forth, with the combination of the corner panels D and supporting frame C, when respectively constructed substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

JOSEPH C. HUGHES.

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