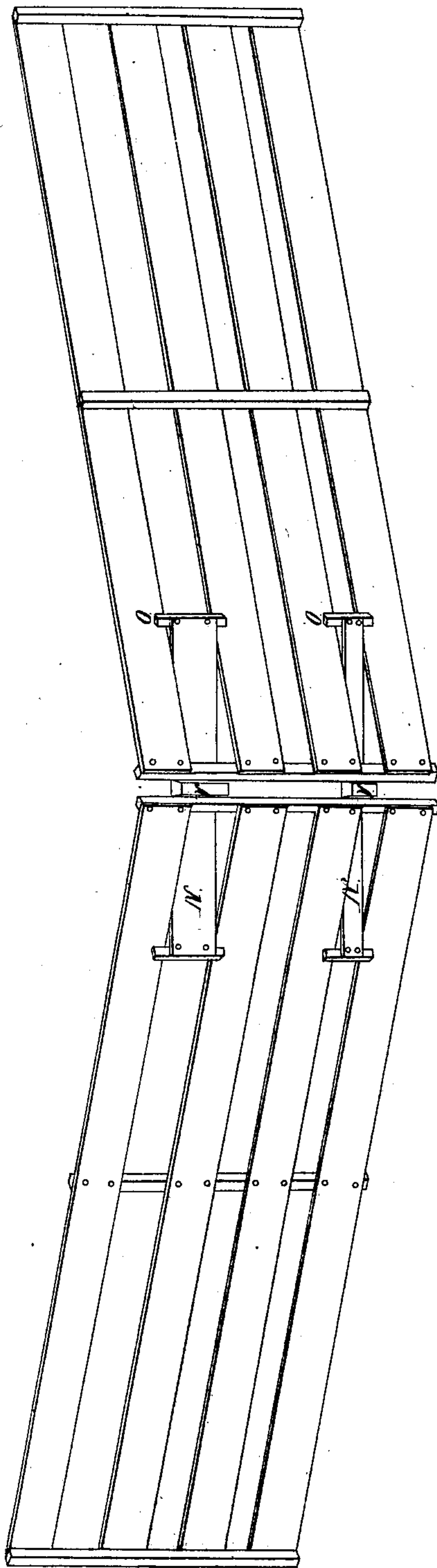


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## IMPROVEMENT IN PORTABLE FENCE.

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

### TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, NEWTON J. GLOVER, of Waveland, in the county of Montgomery, and State of Indiana, have invented a new and improved Portable Fence; and do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention I will proceed to describe its construction.

I use three small posts to each panel of fence, one in the centre and one at each end, but on opposite sides, that the posts will be on the inside corners when the fence is up. The corners are secured by lock-strips N N, which stand edgewise in the spaces between the two upper and the two lower planks of the fence. To the centre of these strips are fastened blocks V V, and on the opposite side, at each end, are cleats O O O O, extending in length beyond the width of the strips N N, to which they fasten. As the fence is put up and set at the proper worm or zigzag, the cleats O O O O press against or draw in the outer corners of the fence, until the posts press against strips N N and blocks V V, thus forming a substantial lock of the corners. The fence is put up or taken down by setting the panels a sufficient angle to allow the lock-strips to turn up or down, to pass them in or out of the spaces described. By letting the end posts of the panels rest against each other, blocks V V could be dispensed with, but their use makes a more substantial fence; besides, their thickness adds length to the same. Until the fence is set up I put but one nail at each place where the planks cross the posts. This allows the panels to adjust to the unevenness of the ground. Blocks or stone are proper under the corners, and, if desired, the fence will be more secure by driving a stake at some of the corners and nailing to the same; and strength is further added by nailing the lock-strips N N to the posts where they cross the same.

I am aware that many plans are known to make portable fences, but none with the panels locked together in the same manner as this.

I will now state what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent:

I claim a portable zigzag fence, with the panels separated and supported by the wedges V V and braces N N, as constructed and shown.

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