

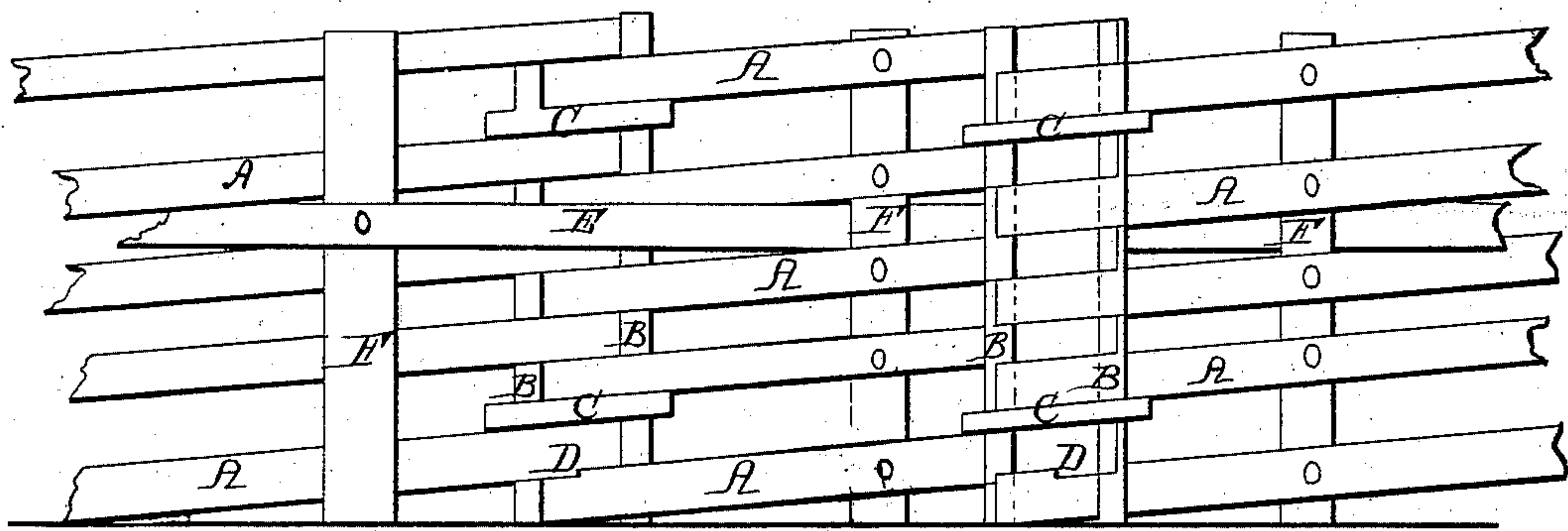
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Wood Fence,

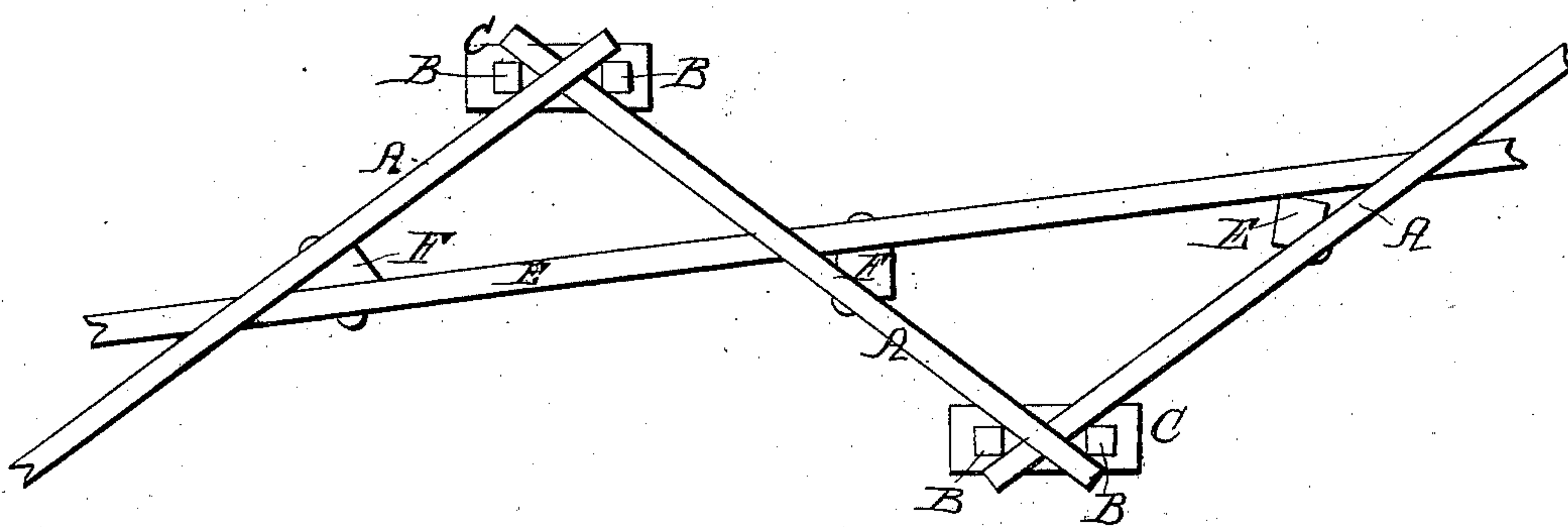
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Fig; 1.



Fig; 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN FIELD-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, T. H. BELLARD, of Colbrook, in the county of Ashtabula, and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Field-Fences; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and complete description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a side view of the fence.

Figure 2 is a view of the top.

Like letters of reference refer to like parts in the views.

This fence is constructed of ordinary fence-boards A, fig. 1, which may be more or less in number, according to the required height of the fence. These boards are set up edgewise, and the ends of each panel of boards made to cross each other, as shown in fig. 2. In the angles thus formed by lapping the ends of the boards are stakes B, fig. 1, and which are bound together by a yoke, C, one at each end of the stakes, and by which means the corners of the fence are firmly locked together, and the boards kept in their edgewise position. In order to give still more security to the corners, a deep notch, D, is cut in the edge of the upper and lowest board, in which the end of the board of the adjoining panel is fitted. The upper and lower range of boards being thus notched into each other, all the rest of the boards arranged between them are the more firmly retained from being displaced. Also, the fence is still further braced and strengthened by the rail E, which is made to pass longitudinally through the centre of the panels, as shown in fig. 2, and which is nailed or otherwise secured to the cleats F, thereby giving to the whole structure great strength and durability.

What I claim as my improvement, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The special arrangement of the boards A, stakes B, yoke C, and rail E, in the manner as and for the purpose set forth.

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