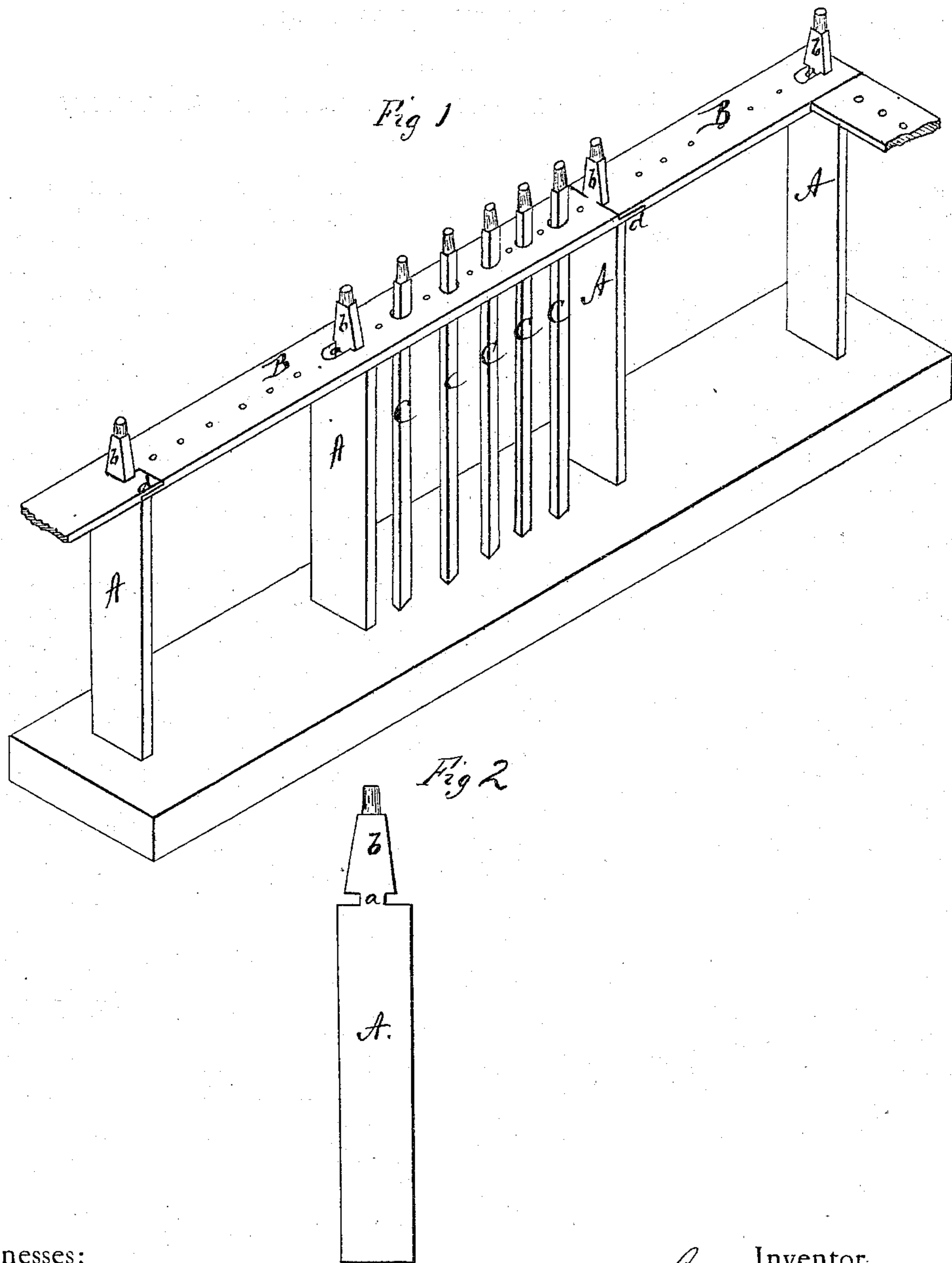


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LEVI MOORE, of Baraboo, in the county of Sauk and in the State of Wisconsin, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Fence; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing and to the letters of reference marked thereon making a part of this specification.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction and arrangement of a "fence," as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my fence, and Fig. 2 is a side view of one of the posts.

A A represent the fence posts, made flat, as shown, with a tenon, *a*, near the upper end. From the upper end of the tenon *a* extends a wedge-shaped projection, *b*, the upper end of which may be finished in any suitable manner. B B represent the rails, which are slotted to go over the upper ends of the posts, and the ends have lap-joints *d*, as shown. Any number of pickets C C may be passed through the rails, as seen in Fig. 1. At one end of Fig. 1, in the drawing, I have shown a corner of my fence. The rails B B may or may not be halved at the lap-joints. If halved the rails will present a level surface, which will improve their appearance.

Although I do not wish to confine myself to any particular size of the posts and rails, I have found that the following will be sufficient for all practical purposes: The posts, four inches by one and one-fourth; and the rails, four and one-half inches wide by one and one-eighth thick. Thus it will be seen that a small amount of lumber will suffice to make a strong fence.

The fence is put up in the following manner: A plunger is driven into the ground as far as is desirable, and then the post is inserted and driven to the desired depth; the rail is then put on at right angles with the post, then turned and sprung into place, always starting with the half-rail.

This fence costs less, requires less lumber, and answers the purpose fully as well as, if not better than, other wood fences now generally in use.

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

The within-described fence, consisting of the posts A, having tenons *a* and projections *b*, the slotted rails B, and pickets C, all constructed and arranged substantially as shown and described, and for the purposes herein set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 18th day of September, 1871.

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