To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY MARTIN ROSE, of Waterman Station, in the county of De Kalb and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Fence, of which the following is a specification:

Figure 1 is a side view of a portion of a fence illustrating my invention. Fig. 2 is a detail cross-section of the same taken through the line x x, Fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

My invention has for its object to improve the construction of fences so as to make them, when made light, an effective barrier to stock, and which shall be simple and inexpensive in construction. The invention consists in the combination of strips, provided with metallic points, with the wires and posts of an ordinary wire-fence, as hereinafter fully described.

A represents the posts of the fence, which are set sixteen feet, more or less, apart, and between which are stretched two, three, or more wires, B. The wires B may be secured to the posts A by staples, by being passed through said posts, or in any other of the well-known ways for securing wires to posts. C is a strip of board, an inch square, or of any other convenient size, to which are secured or inserted metallic points D, six or eight, more or less, inches apart. The points D are made of wire, cut obliquely at any desired angle, so as to form sharp points, and may be long, so as to pass through the strip C and project upon both sides, or they may be made short, so as to project upon one side only. In this case, they may be inserted in one or more sides of the strip C, as may be desired. The strip C D is secured to the upper wire B when two wires are used, and to the middle wire when three wires are used, by wire bands E passed around said wire and strip, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

In case the wires B are secured to the sides of the posts A by staples, the strips C D may be made so long that their ends may rest against the sides of said posts.

The points D may also be attached to an ordinary board-fence, to prevent stock from pushing against it, and thus enable it to be made lighter than it could otherwise be made with safety.

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

The combination of wooden strip C with metallic points D, and wire bands E with the wires B and posts A of an ordinary wire-fence, as and for the purpose described.

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