

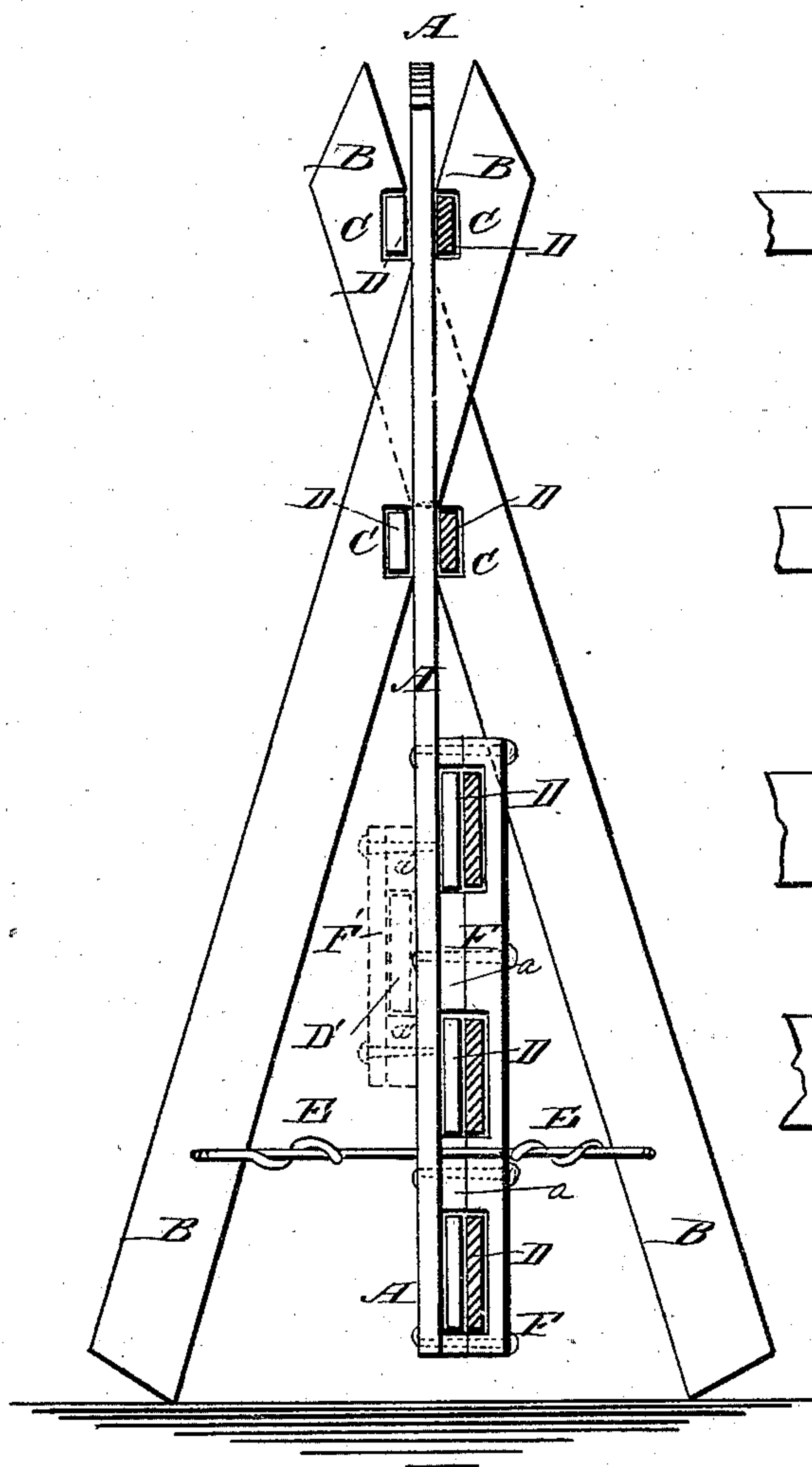
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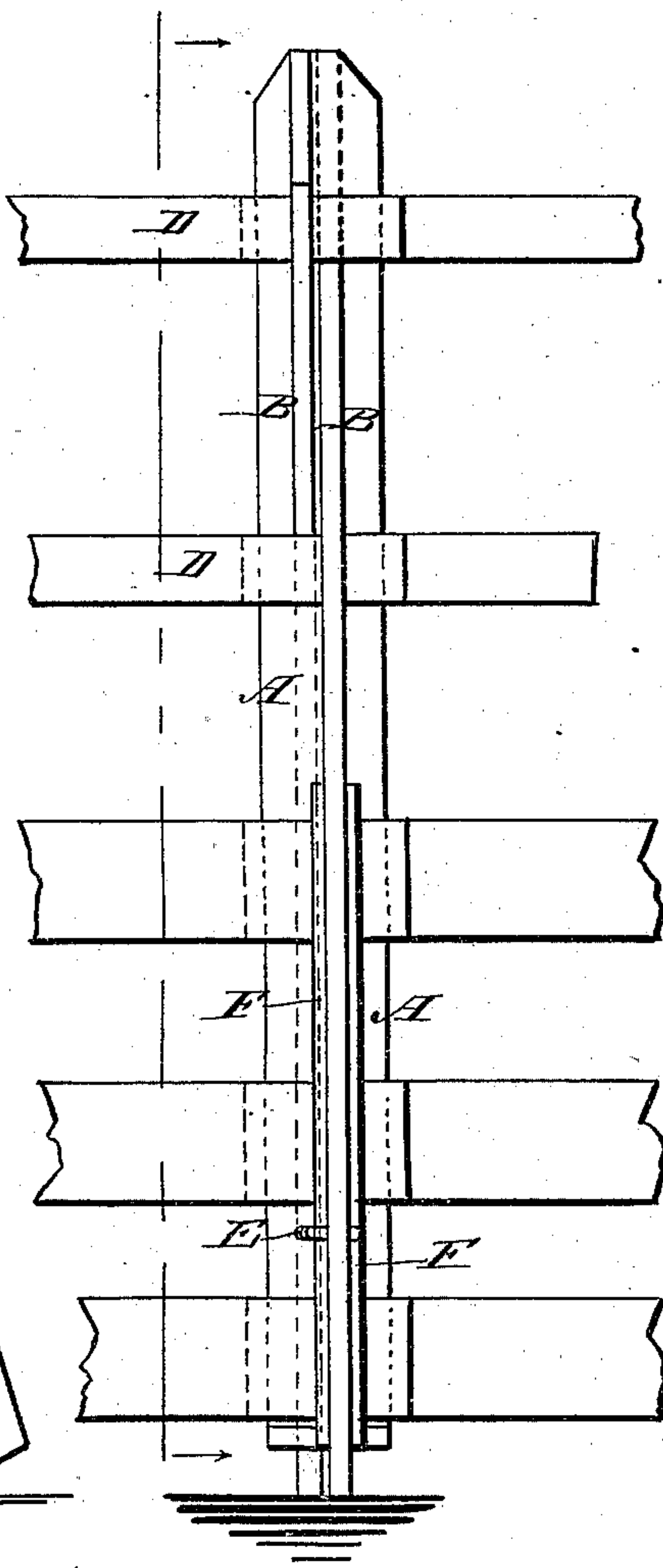
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*Fig. 1*



*Fig. 2*



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## FENCE.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOEL D. OLINGER, of Water Valley, in the county of Yalabusha and State of Mississippi, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Fences, of which the following is a specification.

Figure 1 is a sectional elevation of the improvement. Fig. 2 is a side elevation.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The object of this invention is to furnish fences so constructed that they can be readily moved from place to place, and which shall be strong and durable and less expensive in construction than fences constructed in the ordinary manner.

The invention consists in constructing a fence of the horizontal boards and the posts formed of the upright central piece having a longitudinal slot in its upper part to receive the inclined side pieces, the inclined side pieces having notches in the opposite edges of their upper parts to receive the upper horizontal boards, the fastening-wire and the bar having notches to receive the lower horizontal boards, as will be hereinafter fully described.

Each post of the fence is formed of three parts or pieces, a central upright, A, and two inclined side parts or braces, B. In the upper part of the upright or central piece, A, is formed a long slot of such a width that the upper parts of the side pieces, B, can be passed through it from opposite sides, and of such a length as to allow the lower ends of the side pieces, B, to be drawn to within about four feet of each other. In the opposite edges of the side pieces, B, at the upper and lower ends of the slot in the center piece, A, are formed notches C, to receive the ends of the upper horizontal boards, D, of the panels, which boards D are firmly clamped against the opposite sides of the center piece, A, by drawing the lower ends of the said side pieces inward or toward each other. The lower ends of the side pieces, B, are secured in place

by a wire, E, passed through the center piece, A, and through the said side pieces, B. The ends of the lower horizontal boards of the adjacent panels are secured to the center piece, A, by the notched bar or batten F and blocks a, nailed or bolted to the side of the said center piece, A.

For an ordinary fence three lower horizontal boards, D, should be used for a five-board fence, and two for a four-board fence. For a stock-fence only one lower board need be used, as indicated in dotted lines in Fig. 1, wherein D' represents the board, F' the clamping-bar, and a' the blocks interposed between the said bar and center piece.

In constructing this fence the boards D are used just as they come from the saw-mill, and can be slid in either direction to allow stock, wagons, and other things to pass through.

It will be observed that the fence stands upon the top of the ground, and is thus not so liable to decay as when set in the ground.

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

1. A fence constructed substantially as herein shown and described, consisting of the center piece, A, having a longitudinal slot in its upper part, the two inclined side pieces, B, having notches in the opposite edges of their upper parts, the wire E, the notched bar F, and the horizontal boards D, as set forth.

2. In a fence, the posts formed, substantially as herein shown and described, of the central piece, A, having a longitudinal slot in its upper part, the two inclined pieces B, having notches in the opposite edges of their upper parts, the wire E, and the notched bar F, to adapt them to receive and support the horizontal boards D, as set forth.

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