

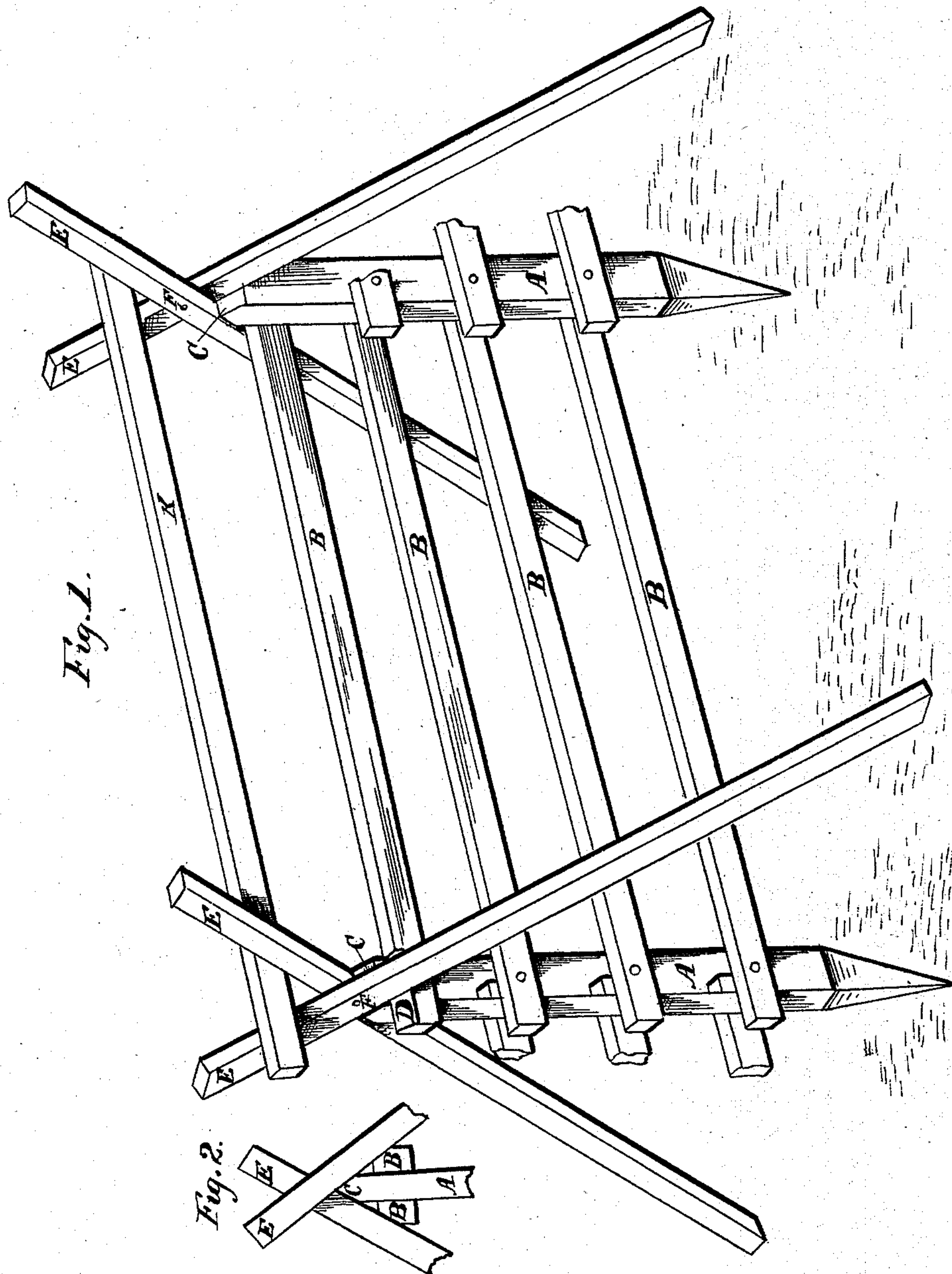
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PETER LIGHTNER, residing at Landisburg, in the county of Perry and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Fences, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to fences; and it consists in the construction and combination of parts, as hereinafter set forth.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a fence-panel, showing broken rails of connecting panels. Fig. 2 is a broken-end view of top of posts.

A A indicate fence-posts, preferably rectangular, which are preferably sharpened at their lower ends so as to enter the ground a little way. Longitudinal rails B B are nailed to these posts, the rails of a panel being nailed or otherwise secured to the front of one post and to the rear of the other.

The tops of posts A are beveled, as at C, and the top rail near the post is also beveled, as at D, to form a continuation of the bevel of the top of the post.

Cross-stakes E E, pivoted together at F, are placed astraddle of the posts, so as to each have

a bearing at their junction on the beveled upper end of the single post and also the top rails. These stakes are nailed to the posts and, if desired, to the top rails. The cross-stakes E E form support for riders K, which riders rest in the fork of the cross-stakes, as usual in stake-and-rider fences. The riders may be bound together by a wire or otherwise below the top rail, if deemed advisable.

It will be seen that this fence is very simple in construction. It is also very strong and stands very firmly.

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

A panel-and-rider fence, each panel having a single post at each end, said posts connected by stringers, the top of these posts being beveled, and to each post a pair of cross-stakes, both bearing at their juncture on the beveled top of the posts, and riders resting in the crotch of the cross-stakes, all substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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