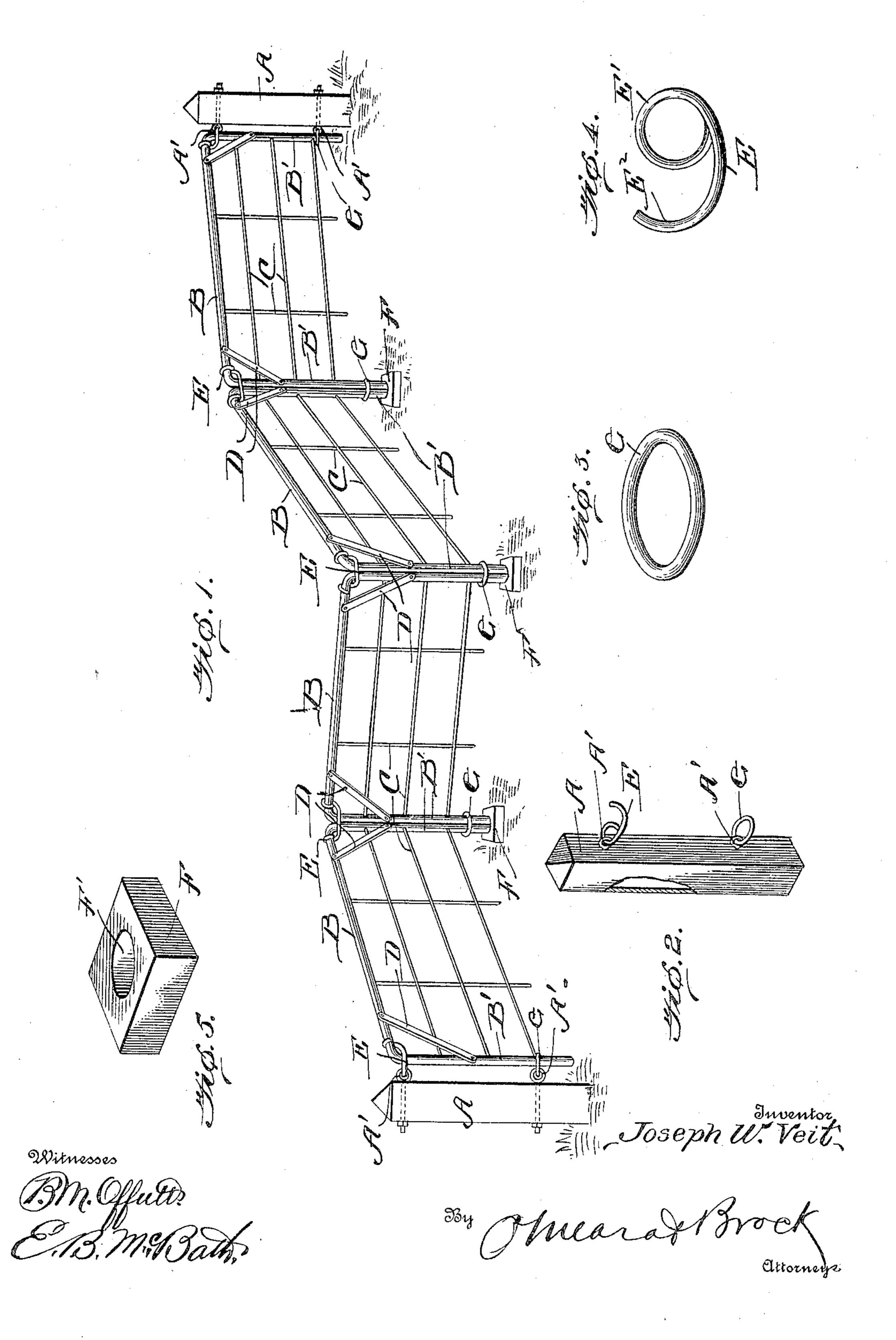
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Joseph W. Veit, a citizen of the United States, residing a Wapakoneta, in the county of Auglaize and State of 5 Ohio, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Fences, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a sectional portable fence; and the object of the invention is 10 a fence formed of a number of light sections, preferably of metal and connected together, thus avoiding the use of a large number of posts and the digging of post-holes for the

The invention consists of a plurality of same. sections, preferably formed of gas-pipe tubing and wires, blocks for the sections to rest upon, end or corner posts, and means for connecting the ends of the sections to each other or to

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective 20 the posts. view of a fence constructed according to my invention. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of a corner-post, partly broken away. Figs. 3 25 and 4 are detail views of connecting members, and Fig. 5 is a perspective view of a

base-block. In the drawings, A represents hollow metal posts, through which pass transversely eye-30 bolts A'. These posts are placed in the -ground at suitable points, and sections of the fence are arranged between them. Each fence-section comprises a tubular frame B, having vertical end members B' and a wire 35 network C. Braces D are arranged diagonally at the upper corners of each frame B. In position two end members B' will stand adjacent each other, except in case of sections adjacent the posts A, where an end 40 member B' will stand parallel to and adjacent the post. Adjacent end members B' are connected together adjacent their upper ends by a link E. This link is bent to form a closed ring E', which may be slipped upon one of 45 the frames B before the brace D is placed on, and the remainder of the link primarily forms a hook member E², adapted to engage the adjacent frame B. Base-blocks F are placed

upon the ground at suitable intervals and are 50 recessed on their upper faces, as shown at F'. When the frames B are placed in position, the lower ends of two of the end members B'will rest in each recess F' and will be further held from spreading by a ring G, which en-

55 circles both of said members. After the

parts are set into position the hook portion ${
m E}^2$ of the link E will be carried around the adjacent frame B, as shown in Fig. 1, and can be readily hammered down into close engagement with said frame, the link partially en- 60 circling the horizontal member of the frame B at a point adjacent the vertical end member B', the ring portion E' having first been slipped onto the horizontal portion of the adjacent frame. In this manner the various 65 sections will be firmly locked together, and yet can be readily detached without the necessity of loosening nuts or removing screws or nails. The end or corner sections of the fence are connected to the posts A by means 7° of the links E and the rings G, which engage the eyes of the eyebolts carried by the posts, as shown in Fig. 2.

The advantages of a fence which can be set up without the use of nails, nuts, or screws 75 and without digging numerous post-holes are

Having thus fully described my invention, obvious. what I claim as new, and desire to secure by

Letters Patent, is— 1. A fence formed in sections, each section comprising a horizontal and two vertical end members and a wire network, base-blocks adapted to receive the lower ends of two ad-

jacent vertical members of the fence-sections, 85 means for locking adjacent sections together, corner-posts, and means for connecting end sections to said posts.

2. A fence of the kind described comprising a plurality of tubular frames, a wire net- 90 work carried thereby, base-blocks recessed on their upper faces to receive the lower ends of adjacent frame members, a ring encircling said ådjacent members, a link comprising å ring portion and a hook portion and adapted 95 to connect the upper corner portions of adjacent frames, posts, and means for connecting the end frames to the posts.

3. A fence formed in sections, each section comprising a frame of gas-pipe having a hori- 100 zontal member and vertical end members, a wire network carried by the frame, diagonal braces arranged on the frame, and base-blocks recessed on their upper faces to receive the lower ends of the vertical members.

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