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Fig. 1.

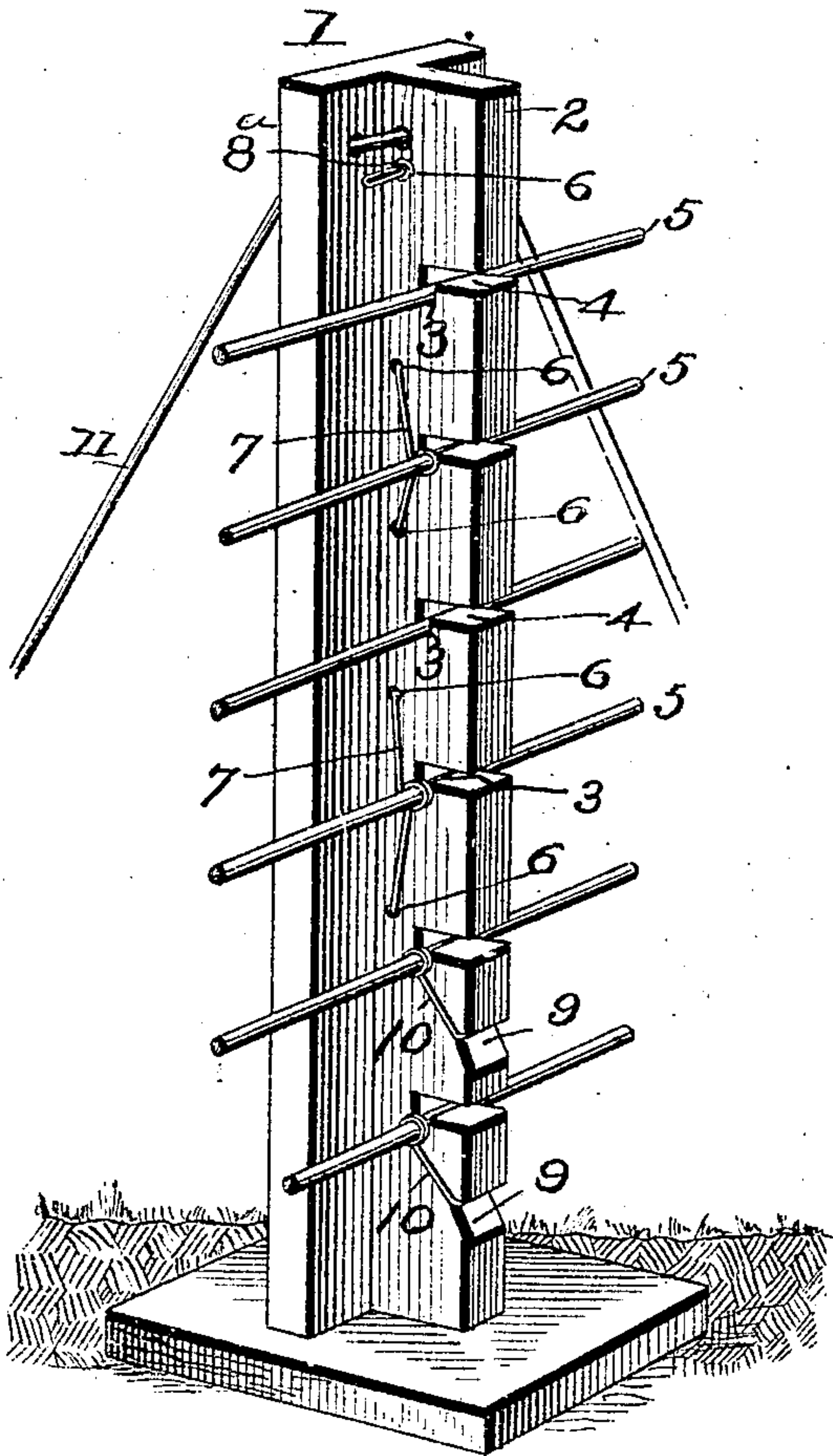
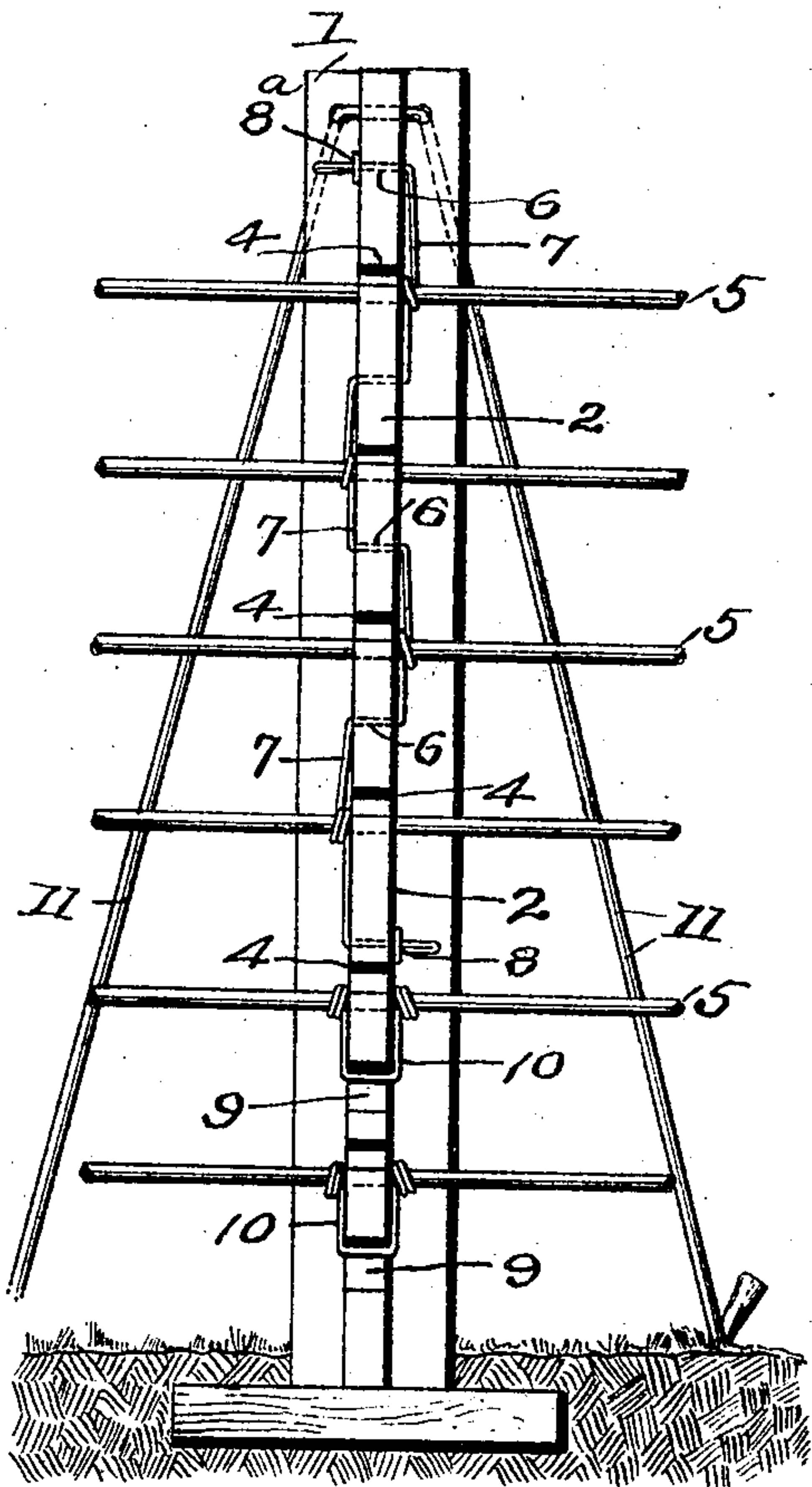


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MONROE C. WIX, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Milburn, in the county of Carlisle and State of Kentucky, have invented a new and Improved Fence-Post, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to fence-posts, and has to do, more definitely stated, with the strand or fence wire fastening means, the object being to provide a novel, simple, and improved means of the character stated which shall not only facilitate securing of the strand-wires to the posts, but provide inexpensive and ready means for effecting the securing of the strand-wires to the posts.

The invention consists of the construction and arrangement of parts shown by the accompanying drawings, hereinafter fully described, and specifically pointed out in the appended claim.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view in illustration of my invention; and Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the post and attached wire strands shown by Fig. 1, the same being viewed from the notched or inner side of the post.

In the practice of my invention I employ a T-shaped post 1 and provide one flange 2 thereof with a series of transverse pockets or openings 3. The flange 2 is also constructed with horizontal slots 4, providing open passage-way leading into the pockets or transverse openings 3. It will be noticed that the latter are located on the post at a lower plane than the slots 4. The object of such construction is apparent and need not be further described.

According to my invention the wires 5, forming the longitudinal strands of the fence, are entered into the pockets 3 through slots 4, the bottom of the pockets being at a lower plane than the slot passage-ways leading thereinto. Obviously the fence strands will be held against lateral displacement.

According to my invention the post-flange 2 is provided with transverse openings 6, the same being located on the post between the strand-pockets, substantially as shown.

For securing the fence strands in the pockets I employ a wire 7, having a knot or suitable head 8 at one end. The unknotted end of the wire 7 is passed through the lowermost opening 6 and then coiled around the next

above strand-wire, drawing the latter to firm seated position. The wire 7 is then passed through the next above opening 6 to the opposite side of the post-flange 2 and coiled around the next above fence strand, and from thence it is passed through the next above opening 6 and drawn to the opposite side of the post-flange, and so on back and forth in zigzag arrangement from side to side of the post-flange with coils thereof around the several fence strands to the uppermost thereof.

From the uppermost fence-strand the securing-wire is passed through the uppermost opening 6 to the opposite side of the post-flange and thereat secured against withdrawal by a twist, knot, or other enlargement 8^a at this end of the securing-wire.

In my drawings I show the two lower strand-wires secured by another form of fastening means wherein I employ a notch 9 in the vertical edge of the post-flange and a wire loop 10, arranged in engagement with the notch, the ends of the wire loop being extended up to and coiled around the fence strand, substantially as shown.

In the construction of a fence I may employ suitably-anchored stay-wires 11, extending to the ground from the top of the post, and the latter may be portable in form or arranged in post-holes, as may be desired.

I claim—

The combination in a fence, of a post constructed with transverse slots in one longitudinal edge thereof, ending with pockets on a lower plane, and also an opening located in the post between said pockets, the slots being adapted to permit insertion of the fence-wire strands in the pockets, and a securing-wire passed through one of said post-openings, then coiled around a strand-wire on that side of the post, thence arranged extending to and through the next opening in the post to its opposite side, then coiled around the next strand-wire and passed through the next opening in the post, to its opposite side, and so on in zigzag arrangement, with coils around the several strand-wires securing them in their pockets, the ends of the securing-wire being fastened, substantially as described.

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