To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that ROBERT KEITH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Hornbeak, in the county of Obion and State of Tennessee, has invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cotton-Pickers’ Bag Carriers, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a bag carrier for use by cotton pickers and more particularly to a portable support for the bag.

The primary object of the invention is to provide a portable frame for supporting an ordinary cotton picker’s bag so that a greater quantity of cotton may be picked and placed in a single bag by each cotton picker.

The invention further aims to provide a bag holder which will retain the bag in position against accidental or casual disarrangement and which will permit the operator to readily fill the bag while it is in position.

In the drawings:

Fig. 1 is a plan view of the device constructed in accordance with my invention.

Fig. 2 is a side elevation showing the bag in position.

Fig. 3 is a fragmentary perspective view showing the method of fastening one end of the bag.

Fig. 4 is a fragmentary perspective view showing the method of securing the open end of the bag.

Referring to the drawings, the frame 1 consists of parallel rails 2 joined together at their forward end by a cross bar 3 the ends of which are provided with spindles 4 to receive the supporting wheels 5. The opposite ends of the rails 2 are rigidly connected by the bar 6. A heavy supporting wire 7 has one end secured as indicated at 8 in one of the rails and the wire is interlaced through transverse openings 9 in each of the rails to provide the cross supporting strands 10 and the end of the wire is fixed as indicated at 11. These strands provide the support for the bag 12.

The cross bar 3 is provided with a hook 13 which is adapted to receive a ring 14 carried by a loop 15 which is secured in any preferred manner to the bag at the closed end thereof. The forward end of each rail 2 is provided with an outwardly extending hook 16 and the bag at each side, near its open end is provided with a loop 17 carrying a ring 18. The rings 18 are adapted to engage the hooks 16 to hold the bag in position. The bag may be provided with closing strands which may be equipped with buckles if desired.

To support the frame in the position shown in Fig. 2, which is the position the device assumes when not in motion, standards 19 are provided which are secured to and depend from the side rails 2. A base member 20 is connected to the standards 19 thereby providing a suitable support to connect with the wheels for maintaining the frame in the desired position.

With this device it is possible to employ much larger bags than is ordinarily used and a cotton picker of ordinary strength may readily move a large tightly packed bag with very little difficulty. The cotton picking is therefore expedited and the labor of the pickers made easier.

What I claim is:

A bag carrier consisting of a wheeled frame, said frame having spaced side rails, and a single length of wire woven through said side rails to provide spaced strands bridging the side rails to form a support for the bag, and the length of wire thereby providing bracing portions engaging the outer side surfaces of the rails and connecting alternate pairs of the strands at said side rails.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

ROBERT KEITH.