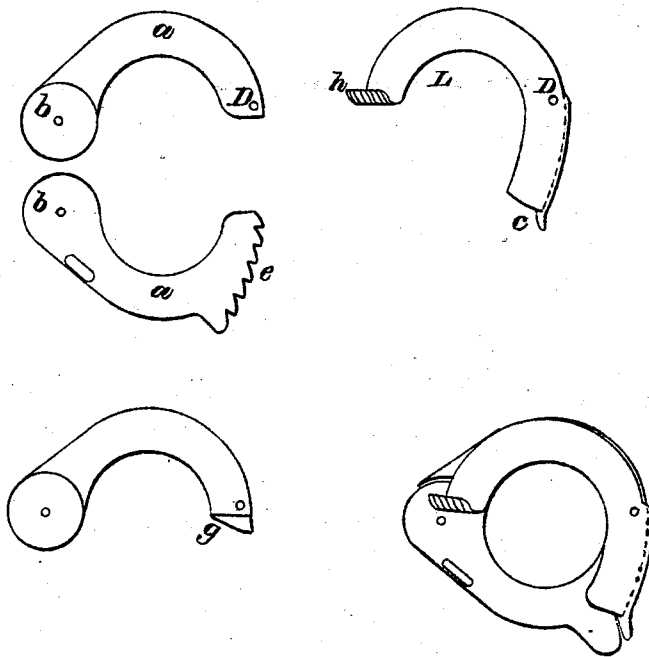


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CLASP FOR FASTENING BAGS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, WM. H. CLOUD, A. L. HATFIELD, and C. H. BURDICK, of Fremont, in the county of Sandusky and State of Ohio, have invented a new and Improved Mode of Tying or Fastening Bags, &c.; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

The nature of our invention consists in two peculiarly constructed metallic semi-circles and one lever together with hinge, clasp and catch forming a ring for tying or fastening bags, &c. The semi-circles A, A, are so constructed as to form the hinge B, on one side and the clasp C, playing on pin *a*, and catch E, from the lock on the other side. The semi-circles have a thin edge G, on the inside to prevent slipping. The clasp is so constructed as to form a lever F, receiving the pressure of the bag as it is fastened on,

by which means it locks very readily and is less liable to open by accident. Said lever has a thumb piece *h*, by bearing on which it is easily opened.

Claim:

The peculiar construction of semi-circles A, A, with thin edge to prevent slipping, and hinge B, as one side clasp C, and catch *d*, on the other side, the peculiar construction of lever F, so as to be operated upon by the pressure of the bag when fastening, and thumb-piece *h*, by which it is easily opened, the whole being arranged and combined in the manner and for the purposes set forth, or in any other manner substantially the same.

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