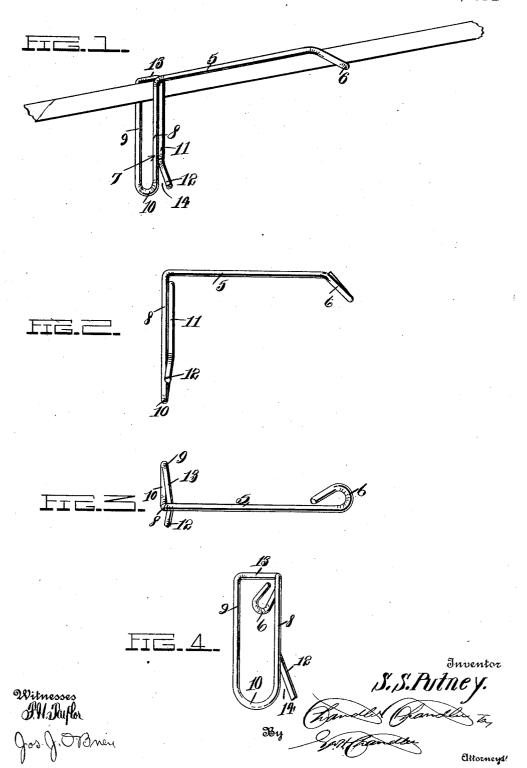
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SIMMIE S. PUTNEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Elgin, in the county of Comanche, State of 5 Oklahoma, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Wire Clothes-Pins; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled 10 in the art to which it appertains to make

and use the same.

This invention relates to improvements in clothes pins and comprises a construction of a wire clothes pin having an angularly disposed loop adapted to receive a clothes supporting rope and a gripping loop depending from a bar integral with the angularly disposed loop for engaging clothes to be supported, said gripping loop being pro-20 vided with an angularly disposed terminal whereby clothes may be quickly forced be-tween the gripping jaws or bars of the gripping loop.

With the above and other objects in view 25 the invention consists in certain constructions, combinations and arrangements of parts, clearly described in the following specification and clearly illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which:-

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the improved clothes pin applied to a clothes line. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same detached from the clothes line. Fig. 3 is a top plan view thereof. Fig. 4 is an end 35 view showing the depending gripping loop.

Referring to the accompanying drawings 5 denotes a body bar of wire which is adapted to lie in substantially parallel relation with a clothes line and which carries the 40 loops on its opposite ends. On one end of the wire bar 5 a clothes line or rope engaging loop 6 is formed, the loop 6 being angularly disposed on the bar 5 so that it will receive a clothes line and the bar 5 can be placed against the uppermost portion of a clothes line. On the opposite end of the bar 5 an oval loop 7 is formed, said oval loop comprising a vertical bar portion 8 integral with the bar 5 and forming a grip-50 ping jaw, a vertical bar portion 9 spaced apart from the bar portion 8 and connected thereto by a cross bar 10, and a bar portion 11 forming a second gripping jaw and ter-

minating in an outwardly bent end 12. The gripping jaw bar 11 is connected to the bar 55 portion 9 by means of a cross bar 13 and the bent terminal or end of said gripping jaw bar 11, bent so as to form an entrance 14, whereby clothes can be forced between the gripping jaws, which gripping jaws are 60 disposed in contacting relation to each other and also in parallel relation to each other. The upper cross bar 13 is disposed in a slightly lower plane than the main body bar 5 and is adapted to contact with the rope 65 or clothes line.

When the improved clothes pin is placed in position on a rope or clothes line the angular loop terminal 6 will slightly bend the rope so as to secure a purchase thereon and 70 the gripping loop 7 will be supported in a convenient position to receive clothes to be

gripped and to support clothes.

The cross bars 10 and 13 of the gripping loop 7 are arranged at substantially right 75

angles to the main body bar 5.

It is to be noted that the loop 7 may be raised so that the line can be slid through the loop 6 and the position of the device changed on the line, this being accomplished 80 without releasing the clothes which are held between the parts 11 and 8.

What is claimed is:-

A clothes line pin formed of a single length of wire comprising a body portion, 85 an elongated loop at one end of the body portion disposed in a plane at right angles to the body portion and at one side of the latter, the adjacent end of said wire extending contiguous to a portion of one side of 90 the loop and having its free end directed outwardly of the loop, and a second loop at the other end of said body disposed at an obtuse angle to the body having the opening there through disposed in alinement with 95 the opening of the first named loop, whereby said second loop constitutes clamping means on the line when the first loop is in its lowermost position on said line.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signa- 100

ture, in presence of two witnesses.

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