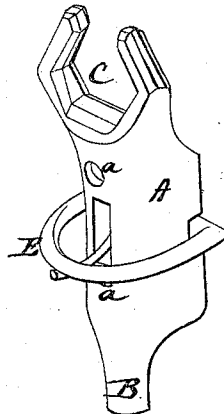


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IMPROVEMENT IN CLOTHES-LINE HOLDERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM COOKE, of the city of New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Clothes-Line Holders; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction and arrangement of a clothes-line holder, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawing, which represents a perspective view of my clothes-line holder.

A represents a metal bar, of suitable dimensions, forming the body of my line-holder, provided with holes *a a* for the passage of screws to fasten the holder where desired. At the lower end of the body A is formed a downward-projecting hook, B, and at the upper end an upward-projecting fork, C, the prongs of which are bent, as shown, first outward and

then inward, forming, as it were, five sides of a hexagon. E represents a buckle, forming a part of my line-holder, and arranged so that the bail is in front of the body A, while the tongue passes from the inner side outward through a vertical slot in the body.

The line may be fastened in a number of different ways—in the buckle E, around the hook B, and through the fork C.

From the peculiar form of the prongs of this fork it will be seen that another line may be hooked on either one of said prongs without any danger of slipping off.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The within-described clothes-line holder, consisting of the body A with hook B, fork C having its prongs bent outward and then inward, and the buckle E, all constructed and arranged substantially as and for the purposes herein set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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