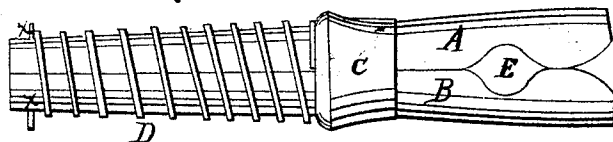


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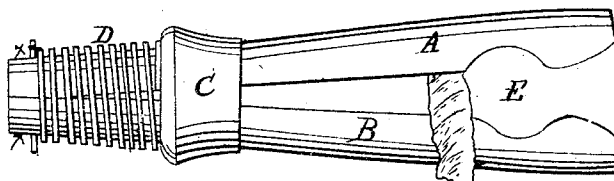
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*fig. 1.*



*fig. 2.*



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## IMPROVED CLOTHES-PIN.

*The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.*

### TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, DAVID D. JONES, of Scranton, in the county of Luzerne, and in the State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Clothes-Pins; and 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.

In the annexed drawings, making part of this specification, A and B represent two half-round wooden pins, pivoted together at *x x*, as seen, so that their flat sides lie against each other. C represents a collar, which is passed over the two pins A and B, and D represents a wire spring, which is coiled around the pins, between the collar and the pivot *x*. These pins are made tapering in form, and are provided with an opening, E, which is formed by making a cross-groove on the flat side of each of the pins, said grooves being opposite each other, as seen. The clothes-line is held in the opening.

By sliding the collar C toward the pivot *x*, so as to compress the spring D, the loose ends of the pins may be opened or separated, as seen in Figure 2, being then in position to receive the clothes-line. The spring, pressing the collar toward the line, when it is in the opening E, serves to bind the two pins together to prevent the escape of the clothes from the line.

What I claim, is—

The pins A and B, pivoted together at one end, and provided with the collar C and spring D, the several parts being constructed and used as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 19th day of June, 1867.

DAVID D. JONES. [L. s.]

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