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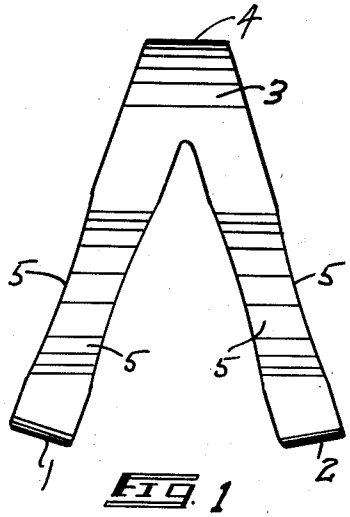


FIG. 1

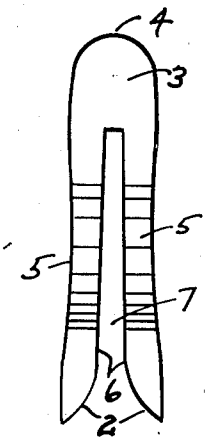


FIG. 2

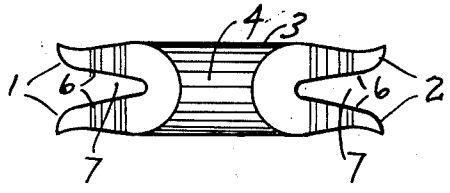


FIG. 3

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This invention relates to a clothes pin.

The principal object of this invention is the provision of a clothes pin having double prong sections formed at an angle to each other and of the same piece of material, thus providing in effect a pair of clothes pins joined together at their tops.

A further object of this invention is the provision of a clothes pin having double pinning portions, each of which comprises a pair of prongs, so formed that a plurality of the clothes pins can be cut from a continuous length of material so as to use the majority of the material in the formation of the clothes pins.

The double clothes pin shown and described herein has been designed to provide a more convenient means of hanging clothes upon a clothes line in that several advantages are to be found in using this doubled type of clothes pin, one of the most obvious of which is the convenience of using it in connection with the pinning of one cloth adjacent to another. Heretofore it has been necessary for the housewife to lap the corners of adjacent cloths and use a single pin over these double corner portions. These double corner portions obviously will not dry as rapidly as the single thicknesses of the cloths. By using the double clothes pin shown and described herein the housewife simply pins the corners of the adjacent cloths with the double sections of the clothes pin, thus there is but a single thickness of cloth under each portion of the clothes pin.

Another advantage in using the double clothes pin shown and described herein is in removing the clothes from the clothes line, heretofore the adjacent cloths being pinned by a single clothes pin necessitated the removal of the pin and the loosening of both cloths simultaneously, often resulting in dropping one cloth to the ground when removing the cloth adjacent thereto. By using the double clothes pin shown and described herein, one portion of the pin can be released from the one cloth and still allow the other portion of the pin to firmly hold the other cloth upon the clothes line. The double clothes pin shown and described herein is also more convenient in use in pinning heavy articles to the clothes line in that approximately only as many of the pins are necessary heretofore, thus obviously saving half the effort in hanging and taking down the articles being dried.

With the foregoing and other objects in view which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention resides in the combination and arrangement of parts and in the details of construction hereinafter described and claimed, it being understood that changes in the precise embodiment of the invention herein disclosed, can be made within the scope of what is claimed without departing from the spirit of the invention.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing, wherein:—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of the double clothes pin.

Figure 2 is an end elevation of the double clothes pin.

Figure 3 is a top elevation of the double clothes pin.

By referring to the drawing it will be seen that the clothes pin comprises a double pair of prongs **1** and **2** formed at an angle to one another and preferably of a single piece of material and having a common head or body portion **3**. This body portion **3** having a rounded top **4** to provide a convenient place for applying pressure to the pin with the fingers. The various prongs comprising the pinning portions of the clothes pin have been formed with slightly concave surfaces **5**.

The inner clamping surfaces **6** of each of the pairs of prongs are separated by a slot **7** so as to form a span between the opposing clamping surfaces **6** of sufficient size to allow the pin to be placed over a clothes line and any clothes that may be positioned thereon.

What I claim is:—

1. A clothes pin comprising two pair of clamping prongs positioned in an inverted V shape, the said two pair of prongs having a common head portion, so as to form a double pin capable of being placed in use by a single motion.

2. A clothes pin formed of a single section of material and comprising a head portion, two pairs of clamping prongs formed on the said head portion, at a slight angle to one another, so as to form a double clothes pin of an inverted V shape.

3. As a new article of manufacture, a clothes pin having a single body or head portion and a pair of clamping prongs formed thereon, at a slight angle to one another, so as to form a double clothes pin of an inverted V shape.

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