

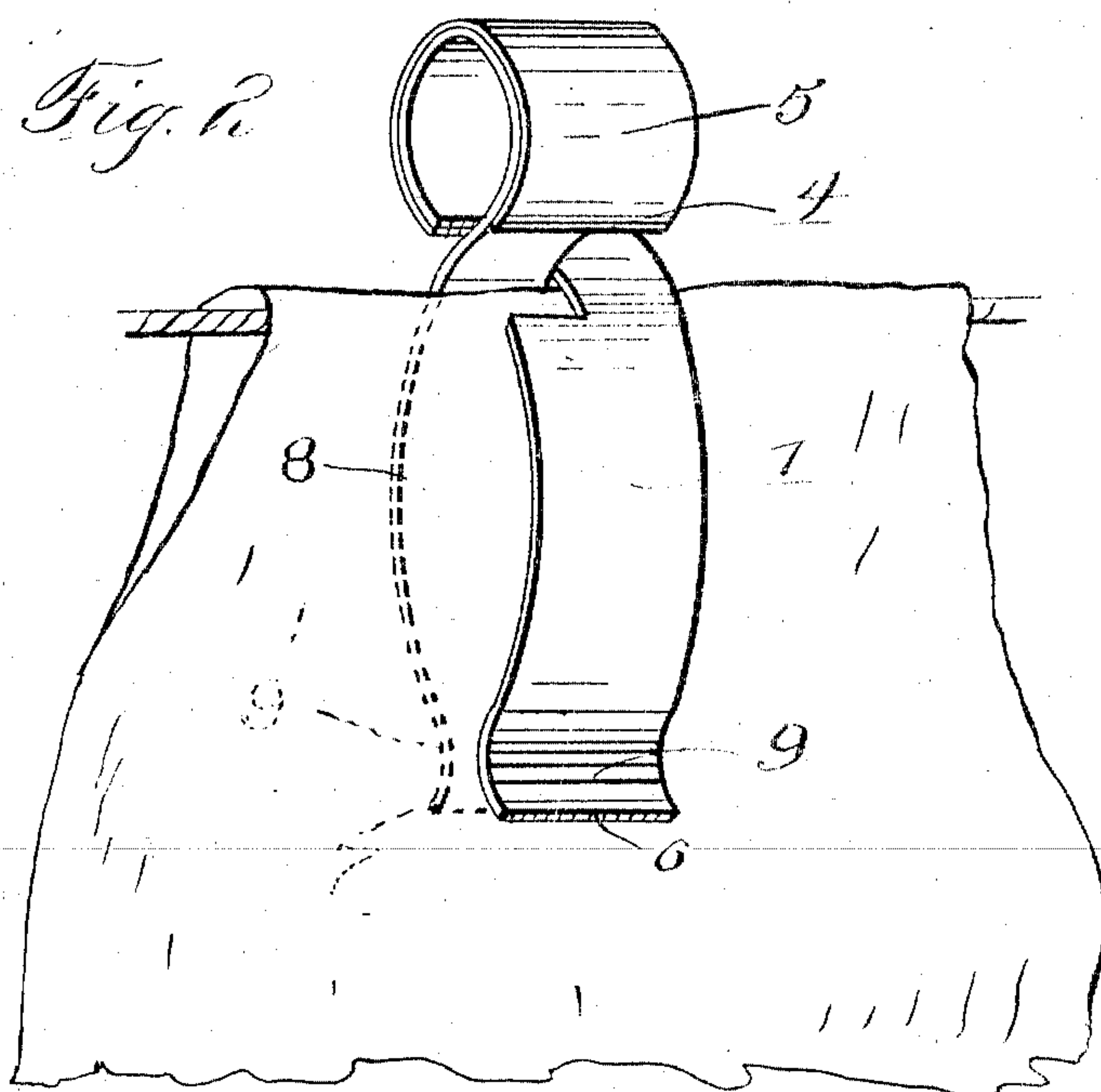
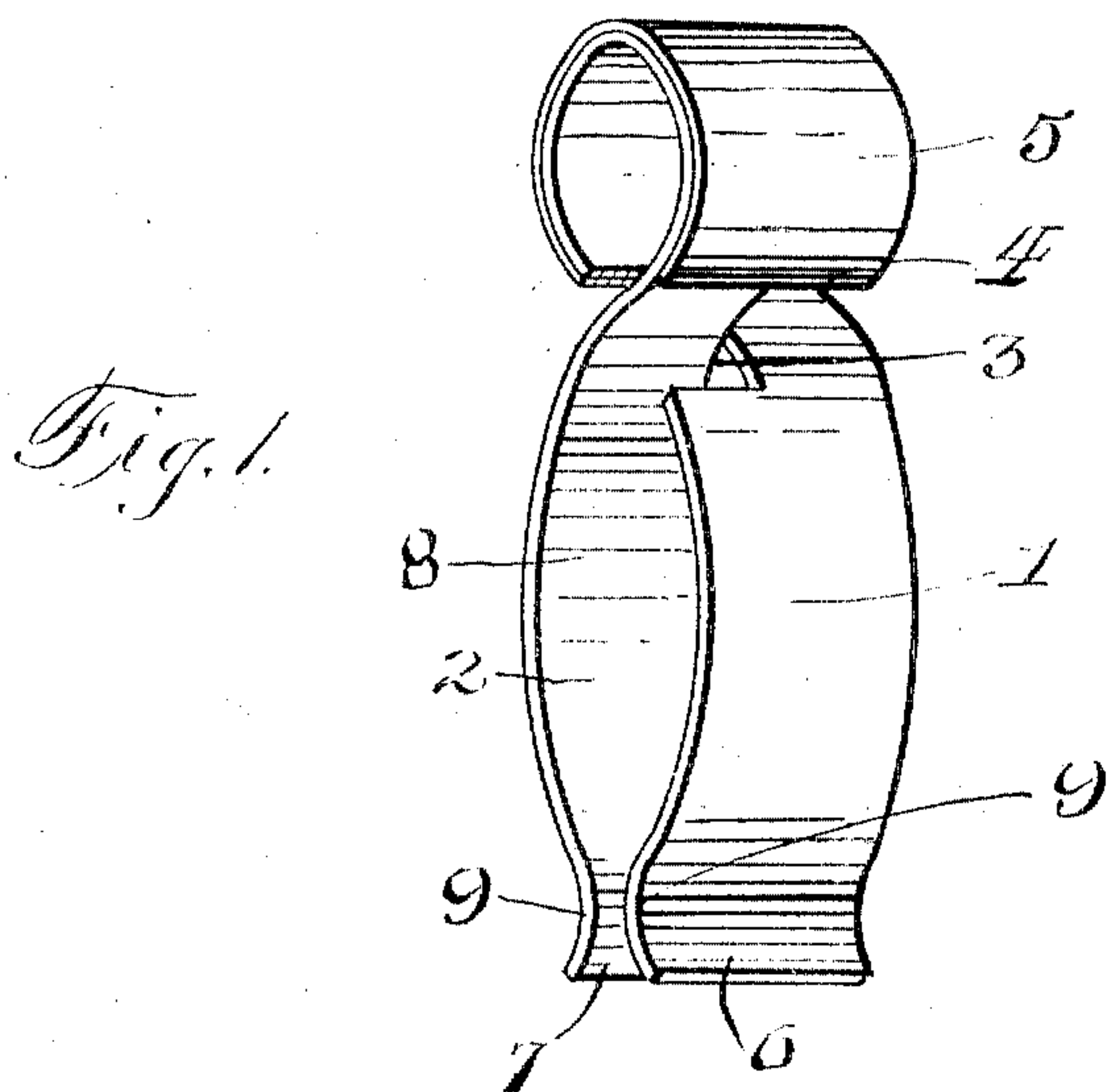
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SMITH A. BRINEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Brackenridge, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Clothes-Pins, of which improvement the following is a specification.

My invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in clothes-pins, and relates more particularly to clothes-pins which are designed to be made of metal.

The object of this invention is to provide a metallic clothes-pin which will be simple in construction and efficient in operation.

With the above and other objects in view my invention resides in the novel combination and arrangement of parts, as will be hereinafter more specifically described, and pointed out in the claim.

In describing the invention in detail reference will be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which like reference-numerals indicate like parts throughout both views, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved clothes-pin. Fig. 2 is a like view showing the device arranged on a clothes-line and supporting a piece of fabric.

Referring to the drawings, Fig. 1 shows my improved clothes-pin, the same being formed of a strip of metal which has been suitably cut and bent upon itself and crossed, as shown, thereby forming the two sides 1 2, which are adapted to grip the clothes which are upon the line. The notch 3 is provided in one side of the portion 1 of the pin, while the notch 4 is provided in the opposite side of the portion 2 of the pin, these notches being so arranged that the portions of the parts 1 and 2 which are not cut away at said notch portions may cross each other, whereby both sides of the pin will be substantially flush. A reinforce 5 is placed around the upper portion of the pin in order that the same may be strengthened, and the lower ends of the por-

tions 1 and 2 are flared outwardly, as indicated by 6 and 7, thereby forming a means whereby the pin may be readily forced over the clothes which are upon the line. The pin having been placed on the clothes, the line and the part of the clothes thereon passes through the enlarged portion of the pin 8 and the clothes just below the said line are gripped by the portions 9 9, formed on the parts 1 and 2.

This clothes-pin may be formed of any spring material, such as brass or steel, and in order that the same will not rust the clothes at the point of contact a heavy coating of japan or paint is preferably used, although the same made out of spring-brass and the coating of paint may be dispensed with.

While I have herein shown and described my invention in detail, it will be obvious that any metal may be used, that the pin may be coated with any desirable material, and that various other slight changes may be made in the details of the formation without departing from the general spirit of my invention.

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

A clothes-pin composed of a single elastic flat metal strip bent intermediate its ends to form an annular eye and a pair of arms intersecting each other, said arms intermediate their ends being bulged outwardly to receive the clothes-line and the clothes, and at their extremities lying in close relation to each other to frictionally retain the clothes therebetween, and a spring-clamp received over said annular eye and retained thereon solely by frictional contact therewith.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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