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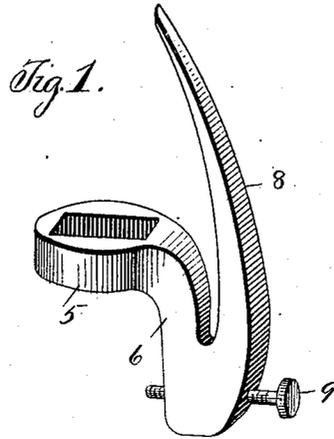


Fig. 2.

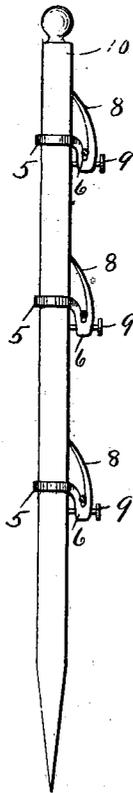
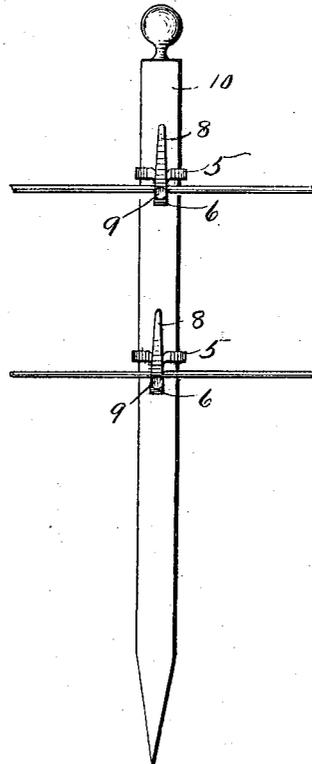


Fig. 3.



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WIRE-FASTENING CLIP.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN H. DUNK, a citizen of the United States, residing at Serbin, in the county of Lee, State of Texas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Wire-Fastening Clips; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to fence-posts in general, and more particularly to the class of metallic fence-posts, and it has specific reference to the means for fastening the wires thereto, one object of the invention being to provide a cheap and simple construction of clip which may be adjustably secured to the fence-post in such manner that it may be readily raised and lowered, whereby the wires may be spaced as desired without necessitating boring of the post.

A further object of the invention is to provide a construction of clip which will hold the wires securely in place.

In the drawings forming a portion of this specification, and in which like numerals of reference indicate similar parts in the several views, Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the clip detached from a post. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of a post with a number of clips thereon and having wires engaged therewith, and Fig. 3 is a front elevation of a post provided with a number of clips.

Referring now to the drawings, the clip of the present invention comprises a collar 5, which may be rectangular, as shown, to fit over a cross-sectionally rectangular post or may have any other specific shape to conform to the post upon which it is to be used, although it will appear from the following description that the opening of the collar need not necessarily be such as to exactly fit the post.

At one side of the collar 5 there is formed a depending portion 6, which extends some distance below the lower edge of the collar 5, this depending portion being, in effect, bent upon itself and continued upwardly to some distance above the collar to form an arc-

shaped clip-finger 8, the inner end of this finger being in line with the inner periphery of the collar. The depending portion 6 depends somewhat below the base of the finger 8, and through this depending portion and at substantially a right angle to the axis of the collar 5 there is formed a screw-threaded perforation, with which is engaged a set-screw 9.

In the drawings there is shown at 10 a common form of cross-sectionally rectangular post, and in practice the collar 5 of the clip is slipped over the top of the post and a fence-wire 11 is engaged between the finger 8 and the surface of the post and at a point above the collar, after which the set-screw 9 is screwed up to engage the surface of the post at a point below the collar, forcing the butt-end of the finger outwardly and causing the upper tip of the finger to move inwardly and against the face of the post. This engagement of the tip of the finger with the face of the post acts to hold the clip more firmly in place and, furthermore, prevents displacement of the wire from between the finger and the post. With the wire of proper diameter it will be thus seen that the wire will be held in fixed relation to the post, but at the same time may be drawn longitudinally to give the proper tension thereto and, furthermore, that by properly positioning the clips any desired spacing may be given to the wires of the fence.

It will be understood that while it is preferred to make the clip of galvanized cast-iron it may be made of any suitable material and that any proportions may be observed, and various modifications of the specific construction shown may be made without departing from the spirit of the invention.

What is claimed is—

1. A fastening-clip comprising a collar for engagement over the post, a finger carried by the collar and extending above and below the collar to rest with its tip against the post with which the collar is engaged, and a set-screw engaged with the finger at the opposite end of the finger from the finger-tip to engage the post and force the finger-tip against the post.
2. A fastening-clip comprising a collar for

engagement over a post, a finger carried by the collar and extending above and below the collar, and means for forcing one end of the finger from the post with which the collar is engaged, to move the opposite end of the finger in the direction of the post to exert a clamping action thereagainst.

3. A fastening-clip comprising a collar, a finger carried by the collar and extending

above and below the collar, and a set-screw engaged with the finger below the collar. 10

In testimony whereof I hereunto sign my name, in the presence of two subscribing witnesses, on the 31st day of October, 1900.

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