

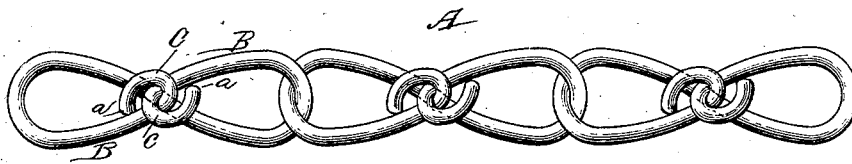
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EUGENE G. BURT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Sidney, in the county of Ness and State of Kansas, have invented a new and useful picket-chain to be used in staking out animals on the prairie for the purpose of grazing, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in the construction of wire chains; and it consists in the construction of the links, as will be hereinafter set forth, and pointed out in the claims.

On the annexed drawing, A represents my improved chain, in which the links are made of wire, the same being first cut into pieces of the required length, which pieces are bent so as to form a loop, the ends of the wire extending or lapping, side by side, beyond the central portion of the loop. The ends of the loop are then united by bending the ends over and upon each other so that the ends will rest upon the wire forming the loop. After the ends are joined to each other the loop is twisted so as to bring the sides together at the center, the loops B B being at right angles with each other. Thus a central stop is formed, and the ends of the wire C are looped over each other, the ends *a a* resting within the loops B, so as to form a

stop. These ends *a a*, being between the small end of the loop B, are not liable to catch when being drawn over the ground.

This chain is intended more especially as a means for securing or picketing animals upon pasture-fields and similar purposes, though it is evident that it is useful for other purposes where a light, smooth, and strong chain is required.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. As a new article of manufacture, a chain, the links being composed of a single piece of wire having the ends bent over and upon each other forming loops uniting the parts, the free ends of the wire resting between the ends of the loops of the chain-links, substantially as shown.

2. The improved wire links for chains, consisting of the loops B B, bent at right angles with each other, the ends of the wire being bent so as to form loops C C, the ends *a a* resting within the central end of the loops B B, so as to form a stop, substantially as described, and for the purpose set forth.

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