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IMPROVEMENT IN BALE-TIES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, HENRY K. DU BOSE and EDGAR W. CHARLES, Jr., of Camden, in the county of Kershaw and State of South Carolina, have invented a new and Improved Bale-Tie; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a longitudinal sectional elevation; Fig. 2, a plan view.

The invention has particular reference to the rope, wire, or other flexible ties by which hay, cotton, or analogous article is held in a bale or compressed state.

It will first be described in connection with drawing, and then pointed out in the claim.

A represents the rope, leather, or other flexible band, which is placed around the compressed bale. On one end of this band we place a tongueless buckle, B, having preferably a front friction-roll, C, and on the other end we use a slide-plate or fastener, D, hav-

ing two or more cross-slots, d d', inclined toward each other. The band A is passed around the bale, then through the buckle B, and finally drawn as tightly as possible. The band A is then passed through slots d d' d, and moved down from the free end until it comes into contact with the buckle. The press-screw being now moved up, the bale will be securely tied. This bale tie is perfectly reliable under all contingencies to which it is liable, and yet may be furnished to the public at a very small cost.

Having thus described our invention, what we claim as new is—

The combination of tongueless buckle B and fastener D, having two cross-slots, obliqued toward each other, with a flexible bale-band, as and for the purpose specified.

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