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## The "Austral" Wire Strainer.

TO PASTORALISTS, FARMERS AND OTHERS.

**TIME SLACKENS ALL WIRE FENCES.** Therefore a simple device to strain new fences and re-tightens old ones quickly.

**WE CLAIM** "Austral" will do its work better, Cheaper, **THAT THE** and more quickly than any other Strainer, and will prove itself the **MOST ECONOMICAL INSTRUMENT EVER USED** in connection with Wire Fencing.

- A Few Facts!**
1. This is the Lightest, Simplest, and most effective Strainer ever used.
  2. It has no cogs to break, pins to fall out, or joints to fail.
  3. It is permanent, self-holding, and cannot come off.
  4. It fits to the wire anywhere between the posts and strains equally both ways.
  5. It will strain perfectly 10 to 15 chains at a stretch, and costs only 2/6 per mile for each wire.
  6. It strains barbed wire as smoothly as the plain.

7. A boundary rider can carry an ample supply in his saddle bag, and will have no excuse for slack wires.
8. In erecting a new fence it saves more than its own cost in posts and time—few intermediate straining posts being required; in tightening old fences the cutting and splicing is entirely obviated.
9. It easily strains any gauge of wire from No. 5 to 16.
10. It takes up 1 inch to 5 feet of slack.
11. By its use Six Wires can be strained in less than half that number of minutes.

One trial will prove what we claim. **WEIGHS LESS THAN 4 ozs. IT CAN'T RUN BACK.**

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**N.B.—We Guarantee that it will take up 5ft. of No. 10, 4ft. of No. 8, and 3ft. of No. 6 Wire. We strongly recommend quite a Ten Chain stretch of wire with this particular Strainer, for if applied at the centre it will then be straining only five Chains each way—thus reducing the Ten Chains stretch to practically only Five.**

**DIRECTIONS.**—Slip the Strainer in the Clips of Lever so that the Barrel on which the Wire Coils is midway between the two clips, as shown in Out above. Next Press the Groove of the Strainer against the slack Wire, and turn the Lever from Left to Right, as shown by the Arrows, but be careful to keep Lever Parallel with Wire, so as to Coil it evenly on the Strainer. Always begin with the Right Hand on Top. Till accustomed to the work take only Half a turn at a time, and place the hook on the Wire, which will hold it whilst you change hands without taking the Lever off the Strainer. When right enough place Wire in Hook and remove the Lever, and the Strainer is left on permanently. Self-holding and cannot be removed without a Lever.

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