

The Clinch

A loop seized at the crossing turns a soft bight into a sturdy little rope ring.



FIG. 6.—Clinch.

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"A cuckold's neck plus a whipping equals a ring you can trust."

1

Make a cuckold's neck

Lay the end back across the standing part to form a small loop, or 'cuckold's neck', where the two parts cross.

2

Hold the crossing

Pinch the spot where the end and the standing part lie side by side so the loop keeps its size.

3

Seize it

Wrap a length of twine snugly around both parts at the crossing and tie it off. That fixed loop is your clinch.

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