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Fig.1.

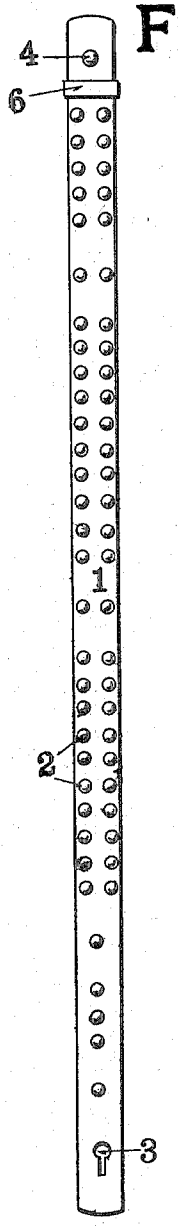


Fig.2.

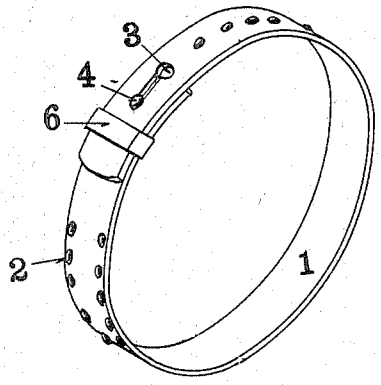
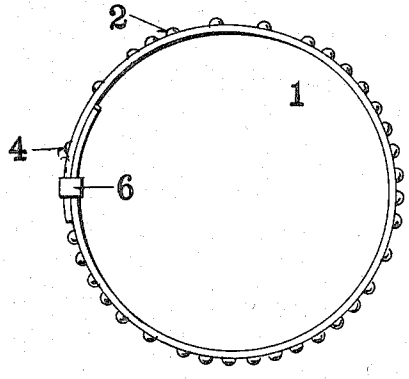


Fig.3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN CORNELIUS O'BRIEN, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at the city of St. Louis, State of Missouri, United States of America, have invented a certain new and useful Bracelet, of which the following is such a full, clear, and exact description as will enable any one skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.

My invention relates to a bracelet of distinctive construction in that certain ornamental features thereof are so arranged as to also serve a useful purpose, the principal object of my invention being the production of a device serving not only as an article of adornment, but capable of use for reckoning and particularly for numbering prayers or devotions in a manner similar to that in which these are sometimes reckoned by strings of beads, commonly called rosaries.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a developed view of a bracelet embodying my invention; Fig. 2 is a perspective view; and Fig. 3 is a side view.

The bracelet comprises a suitable band or body 1, having projections 2 upon its surface, and preferably integral with the band. These projections are arranged in two parallel rows, as shown, and form the ornamentation or part of the ornamentation of the bracelet. A portion at least of the projections are also preferably arranged in groups of ten, separated by single projections. The projections in each group are preferably equally spaced, and the space between the intervening single projections and groups adjacent thereto is greater than the spaces between the several projections of the groups. In addition to the projections previously mentioned, an additional row of projections is provided, comprising a single group of three and a single projection at each end of said group and spaced therefrom. In the use of the bracelet as a means of reckoning a finger is passed over the projections in succession in the row on one side of the bracelet, and then in like manner over the projections on the other side.

The bracelet is preferably formed of a band of relatively rigid material, but sufficiently resilient, when formed in one piece as shown, that its ends may be separated and the bracelet easily removed from the wrist if desired. In the particular form shown in the drawing, the ends of the bracelet are connected by means of the slot 3 coöperating with the headed projection 4 and by the sliding keeper 6.

Modifications may be made in the bracelet illustrated without departing from the scope of my invention, the essential feature of which is the provision of projections fashioned and grouped, not only to serve as suitable ornamentation, but also for reckoning purposes as heretofore described.

Having fully described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States is—

1. A bracelet comprising a band or body provided with ornamental spaced projections integral with the body and arranged on its periphery in groups of ten with single projections in the spaces between the groups.

2. A bracelet having spaced projections on its periphery arranged in separate groups of ten with single projections in the spaces between the groups.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal.

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