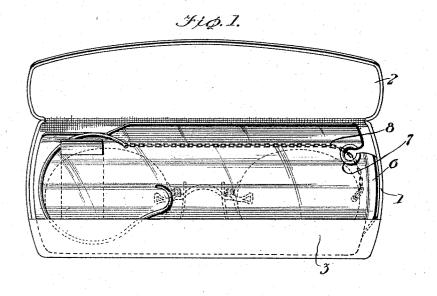
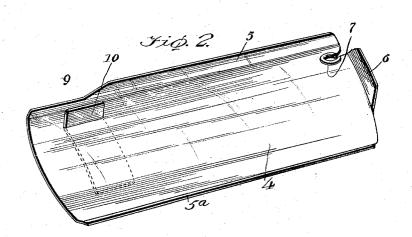
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, BENJAMIN F. LINDE-MAN, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Portland, in the county of Mult-5 nomah and State of Oregon, have made certain new and useful Improvements in Eyeglass-Cases, of which the following is a specification.

My invention is an improvement in eye 10 glass cases, and has for its object to provide mechanism for use in connection with cases of ordinary construction for preventing the chain from becoming entangled with the nose-piece or other parts, and for permitting 15 the glasses to be removed from or inserted in the case without the necessity of touching the lenses with the fingers.

In the drawing:

Figure 1 is a top plan view of the im-20 proved case:

Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the guard,

Fig. 3 is a transverse vertical section.

In the present embodiment of the inven-25 tion a case is provided of usual construction consisting of the body 1 and the cover 2 hinged thereto, the body having a lip 3 at the side remote from the cover upon which the cover closes. A plate 4 of transparent 30 material, as for instance celluloid, or the like, is inserted in the body of the case, the plate being convex transversely and arranged with its convex face upwardly, and one edge of the plate is received beneath 35 the lip 3. This case has a flange 5° at the edge adjacent to the lip 3, and an angular portion or flange 5 at the edge remote from the lip 3, the said flange 5 extending upwardly at approximately right angles with 40 respect to the plate, and this flange 5 is adapted to engage the opposite side wall of the body, that is, that side wall to which the cover is hinged, as shown more particu-

At one end the plate 4 is provided with a lip 6, the said lip being bent upwardly, and the plate is notched between the ad-

larly in Fig. 3.

jacent ends of this lip and the flange 5.

An eyelet 7 is inserted in the notch, the 50 eyelet being a split ring as shown, and arranged so that the chain 8 of the glasses may enter the eyelet to permit the chain to lie

along the groove between the flange 5 and the body of the plate when the eye glasses are beneath the plate.

At the opposite end of the eyelet, the flange 5 is partially cut away as indicated at 9, and at this point the plate has on its convex face an upwardly bent lug 10, the said lug being spaced apart from the flange 60 5, or from that portion of the flange which

is not cut away.

In placing the eye glasses they may be placed in the case in the usual manner, after which the guard plate 4 is inserted 65 with the chain 8 engaged with the eyelet 7. The ear piece of the chain may be hooked over the lug 10. The chain is separated from the lenses by the plate, and when the plate is detached the eye glasses may be 70 lifted by the chain, since it is always at the front and cannot slip down between the glasses and the case. It will be understood that the improved guard plate may be of opaque material if desired, as for instance 75 aluminum.

I claim:

1. In combination with an eye glass case, of a plate adapted to rest upon the glasses, said plate being of a width to engage at 80 one edge beneath the lip of the case and having an upturned flange at the other edge and a flange at one end, and having a split eyelet between the said flanges, said plate having an upstanding lug at the opposite 85 end, and the flange at the edge being partially cut away at the said lug.

2. In combination with an eye glass case, of a plate adapted to rest upon the glasses, said plate being of a width to engage at 90 one edge beneath the lip of the case and having an upturned flange at the other edge and a flange at one end, and having a split eyelet between the said flanges, said plate having an upstanding lug at the opposite 95

3. In combination with an eye glass case, of a plate adapted to rest upon the glasses and having a split eye for receiving the chain to hold the chain above the glasses. 100

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