

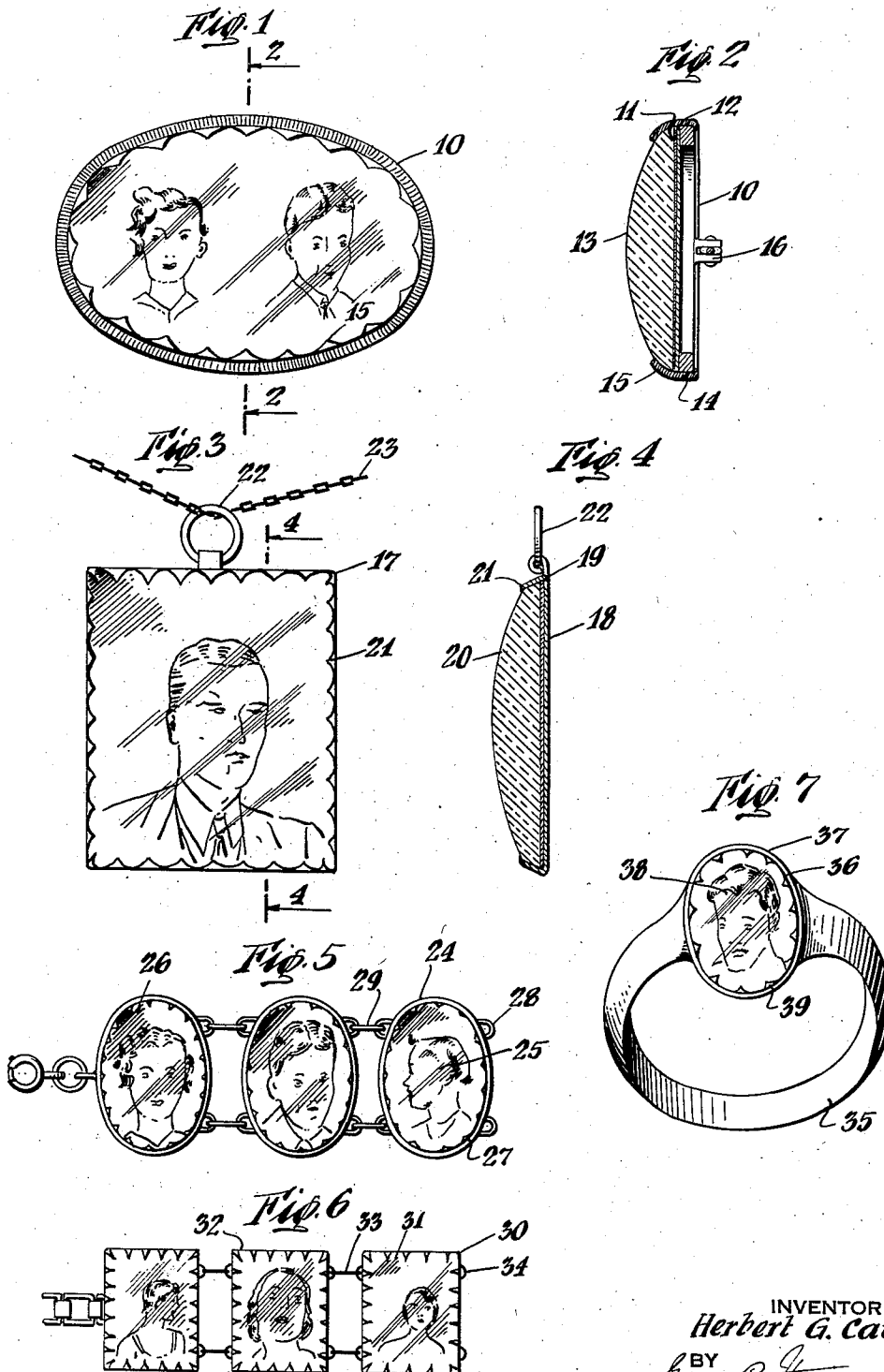
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1 Claim. (Cl. 63—2)

My invention relates to improvements in the art of making jewelry, particularly to the method of making photograph jewelry as an article of manufacture, and it is the principal object of my invention to provide rings, brooches, pendants, bracelets, and all other articles of jewelry with photos beneath stones of a suitably selected color and thickness to obtain a proper focus and to make the picture beneath the stone distinctly and clearly visible and recognizable.

Another object of my invention is the provision of photograph jewelry using precious or other non-precious or artificial stones of supreme clearness and transparency in any desirable shade and color in settings of precious or other metals or their alloys.

Still another object of my invention is the provision of photograph jewelry the photos of which need not be specially made for incorporation into the jewelry, but may be cut out from photographs on hand or from snapshots etc. and may be readily incorporated into the settings in a simple and inexpensive manner.

A further object of my invention is the provision of photograph jewelry suitable for young and old, men, ladies, and children to enable them to always carry with them the picture of mother, father, child, sweetheart, favored movie star, or other persons specially dear to them, etc.

It will be clear that photos of animals, such as birds, or flowers, landscapes or any other kind or species may be incorporated into the jewelry forming the object of this invention.

A still further object of my invention is the provision of photograph jewelry the stones of which may have any color or shade desired and suitable to match for instance the color of a dress or the like, always presenting an extremely pleasing, ornamental and beautiful appearance.

These and other objects and advantages of my invention will become more fully apparent as the description thereof proceeds, and will then be specifically defined in the appended claim.

In the accompanying drawing, forming a material part of this disclosure:

Fig. 1 is the front elevation of a brooch constituting as one example a piece of photograph jewelry made according to my invention.

Fig. 2 is a section on line 2—2 of Figure 1.

Fig. 3 illustrates a pendant made according to my invention in front elevation.

Fig. 4 is a section on line 4—4 of Figure 3.

Fig. 5 is a fragmentary front elevation of a bracelet constituting a further example of photograph jewelry made according to my invention.

Fig. 6 illustrates in front elevation part of a necklace or the like as a still further example of photograph jewelry made according to my invention.

Fig. 7 illustrates a ring embodying my invention.

As illustrated, in Figures 1 and 2 for instance, a piece of jewelry having the form of a brooch 10 has a photo 11 placed against a backing 12 and covered by a stone 13, all parts are held together in the setting 14 which has a plurality of forwardly directed prongs or tongues 15 bent upon the front edge of the stone either by hand or by the aid of a suitable tool. The pin fastening for the brooch is of the usual construction and is generally designated 16.

It will be clear that the setting can be made of any selected material while the stone may be precious, semi-precious or artificial and the photo illustrate any selected person, animal or object.

In the form of my invention illustrated in Figures 3 and 4, the pendant 17 has a back plate 18 against which is placed the photo 19 covered by a stone 20 held in the setting by a plurality of tongues or prongs 21 pressed against the edges of the stone to hold the parts together in their relative adjusted positions. A ring 22 attached to the setting allows the passage of a chain 23 or the like by means of which the pendant is suspended.

As shown in Figure 5 part of a bracelet consisting of a plurality of individual links 24, has the pictures 25 placed against a suitable backing in the setting and covered by the stone 26, while frontal prongs 27 of the setting engage the stone to hold all parts together in their relative adjusted positions. Links or eyes 28 on the individual settings are connected by chain links or the like designated 29.

In a similar manner the necklace illustrated in Figure 6 consists of individual pictures in their settings 30 covered by the stones 31 and held together in the settings by the stone engaging prongs 32 of the setting. The single members of the necklace are connected by bands 33 or the like the ends of which are secured in the eyes 34.

In Figure 7 I have shown a ring 35 having a signet or seal 36 in the setting 37 of which a photo is placed against a backplate and covered by a stone 38, all parts held together by a plurality of prongs formed with the setting, designated 39 and set upon the stone.

In all these forms settings of any kind of material as for instance metal, precious, or non-precious may be used to hold the photos and cov-

ering stones which may also be precious, non-precious or artificial and of suitable colors to ensure the clearness of the pictures beneath the stones.

- 5 It will be clear that I have described and shown several embodiments of my invention as a few examples only of the many possible ways to practically make the same, and that I may make such changes in the general arrangement of the photograph jewelry and in the construction of 10 the minor details thereof or in the method of making the same, as come within the scope of the appended claim without departure from the spirit of my invention and the principles involved. Thus, for instance I may also apply my 15 invention to photograph pictures in frames standing on dressers, easels or the like.

Having thus described my invention, what I

claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

A necklace comprising a plurality of juxtaposed individual substantially square pieces of jewelry, eyes on the inner side edges of the pieces 5 of jewelry near their ends, and bands connecting said eyes to hingedly connect the individual neighboring pieces, each of said pieces having a background, a photo of a person or object placed against said background, a stone of plano-convex 10 form and of a selected brilliancy and color to match the color of the dress worn by the individual or the object represented by the photo and covering said photo on the background to enlarge the same and making it clearly recognizable in 15 its natural colors and means to hold said stone, photo and background together.

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