

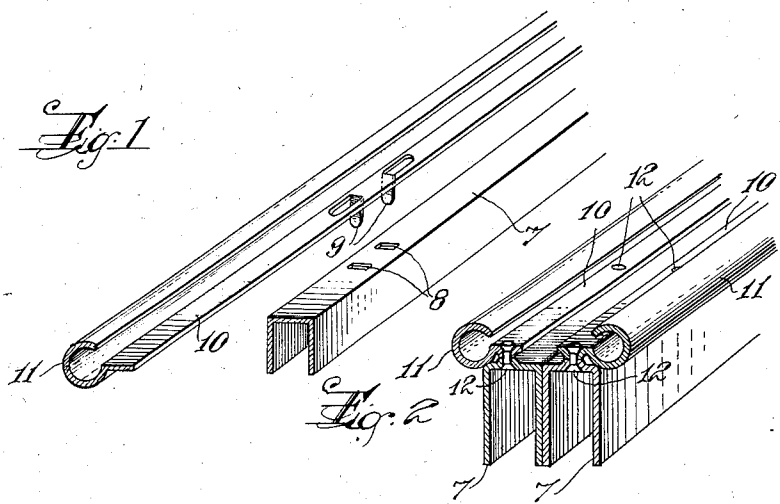
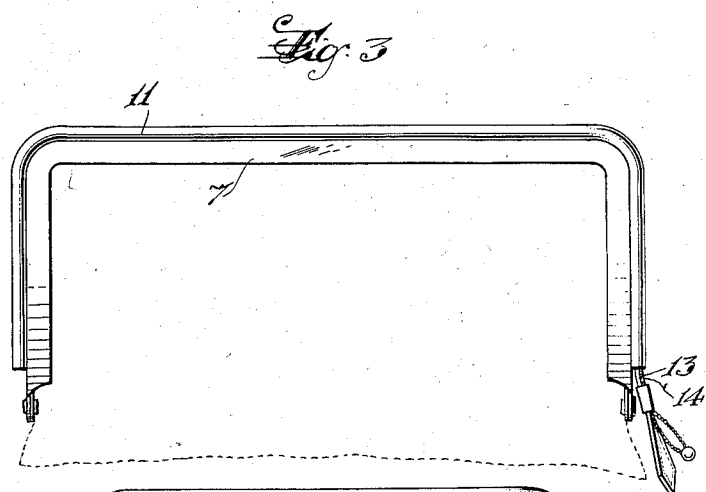
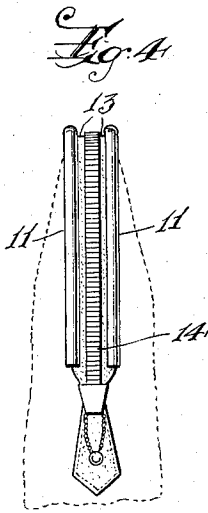
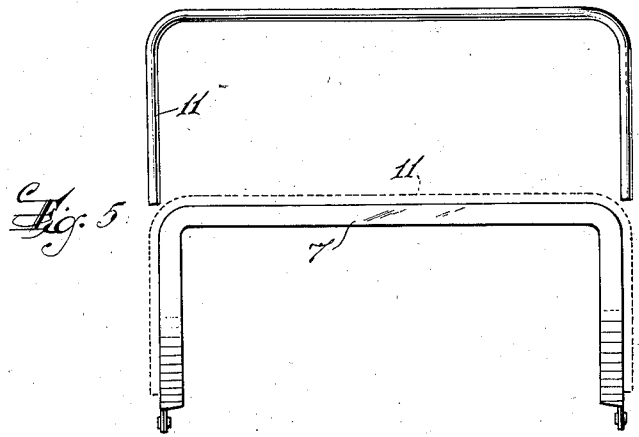
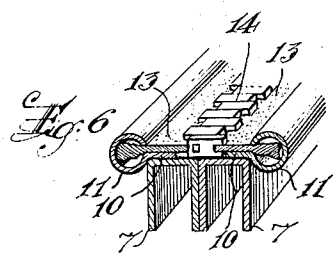
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This invention relates to frames for hand bags and the like and more particularly to improvements in such frames in which the members thereof are fastened together by means of slide fastening devices.

In attaching a slide fastening device to hand bag frame members, it has heretofore been the practice to provide a channelled or beaded member to which the tape of the slide fastener is secured, such a member having substantially the shape of the frame member and being provided with a plurality of spaced tabs by means of which it is secured to the frame member. Such an expedient for attaching slide fastening devices is objectionable in that considerable metal is wasted in providing a plurality of spaced securing tabs. Also the member is not readily adapted for use on frames of different shapes.

It is, therefore, an object of this invention to provide a clamping member for securing tapes of slide fastening devices to the frame member, said clamping member comprising an open tube having a continuous flange extending along its edge and being adapted to be secured to the frame member preferably by means of spot welding, rivets, lugs or similar expedients, thereby necessitating no waste of metal, in order to provide spaced tabs and the like, as heretofore has been the case.

A further object is the provision of a clamping member for holding slide fastening devices on frame members of all shapes, said clamping member having a substantially rounded or bead shape, thereby assisting in the ornamentation of a hand bag upon which it may be used.

These and other advantageous objects, which will later appear, are accomplished by the simple and practical construction and arrangement of parts hereinafter described and exhibited in the accompanying drawing, forming part hereof and in which:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view showing a part of a bag frame member and a clamping member, for securing the tape of a slide fastening device, said clamping member being attached to the frame member by means of tabs struck out from the clamping member,

Fig. 2 is a perspective view partly in section showing the clamping members secured to the frame member by means of rivets,

Fig. 3 is a side elevational view of a frame member having a clamping member attached thereto,

Fig. 4 is an end view of a frame member having

clamping members attached thereto for holding a slide fastening device,

Fig. 5 is a side elevational view of a frame member and of a clamping member, showing the general appearance of said members before the clamping member is attached to the frame member, and

Fig. 6 is a perspective view partly in section, of the clamping members having a slide fastening device attached thereto, said clamping members being secured to a bag frame member by spot welding or the like.

Referring to the drawing, in Fig. 1 there is shown a section 7 of a bag frame member, having spaced slots 8 adapted to receive tabs 9 struck out from the flange 10 of a bead shaped clamping member 11, comprising an open tube which is designed to receive the edge of the tape 13 of a slide fastening device as is indicated in Fig. 6. In applying the clamping member to the frame member, the flange 10 rests directly upon the flat upper surface of the frame member and the rounded or bead shaped clamping member has an ornamental effect in addition to its function of securely holding the tape of a slide fastening device.

It has been considered in some instances expedient to secure the flange 10 to a frame member by means of rivets 12, as indicated in Fig. 2.

In some instances, the use of tabs or rivets, for securing the flange 10 to a frame member is inconvenient due generally to the shape of the frame members. For example, when rounded frame members, commonly known as the clinch type are used, it would be inconvenient and impractical to attempt to attach the flat flange 10 to such a frame member by means of rivets or tabs. In cases of this kind, where a rounded frame member is used, the flange may preferably be bent and arced to conform substantially to the shape of the frame member; and the flanges then secured to said frame member by spot welding, as indicated in Fig. 6.

From the above description, it will be seen that I have provided simple and economical means of attaching clamping members to bag frame members. The clamping members 11 are designed to hold the fabric tapes 13 of a slide fastening device, the tapes carrying a plurality of fastening elements 14 in a well-known manner.

By means of my invention clamping members can be made with no waste of metal, such as has been the case heretofore when it was necessary to provide spaced tabs for the purpose of securing

clamping members to bag frame members. Also, by means of the expedients herein described, it is now possible to conveniently secure clamping members to bag frame members of various types, such as the rounded shape or the knife edge shape. Heretofore, the clamping members have been more or less confined to use on frame members of a channel shape having flat walls.

The foregoing disclosure is to be regarded as descriptive and illustrative only and not as restrictive or limitative of the invention, of which obviously embodiments may be constructed including many modifications without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as denoted in the appended claims.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:

1. In a handbag, a bag frame member, a

clamping member comprising an open cylindrical tube having a flange engaging the frame member, a slide fastening device having its tape secured by said clamping member, said frame member having a plurality of spaced apertures therein beneath the flange, and tabs struck out from the flange and passing through said apertures for securing the flange to the frame member.

2. In combination with a handbag frame member, a clamping member for holding tape of a slide fastening device, said clamping member comprising an open cylindrical tube having a continuous flange extending the length thereof, said flange being bendable to conform to the shape of the frame member, and means for securing said flange to the frame member.

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