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Fig. 1.

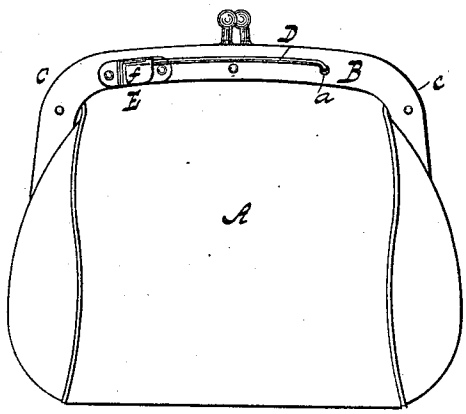


Fig. 2.

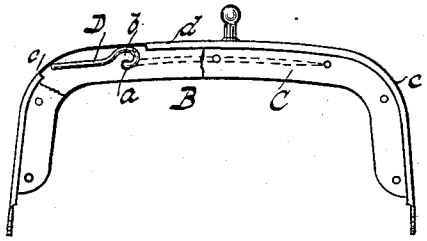


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MATTHIAS STOVEKEN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Jersey City Heights, in the county of Hudson and State of New Jersey, have invented new and useful Improvements in Purses, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in purses and the like; and it consists in the combination of a pin secured to the frame of the purse and a socket on the frame for receiving and retaining the free end of the pin, and also in the combination, with a purse or the like, of an elastic pin extending through one of the jaws of the frame, and secured thereto by a metallic plate fitting the jaw, and a socket for receiving and retaining the free end of the pin, all of which is more fully described and pointed out in the following specification and claims, and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a face view of a purse embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is an elevation, with part broken away, of the inside of the jaws. Fig. 3 is a top view of the jaw with part broken away.

Similar letters indicate corresponding parts.

In the drawings, the letter A designates a purse provided with the usual frame, consisting of two jaws, B B, hinged at their respective ends, and provided with suitable means for fastening them together. The material of the body of the purse is secured to the jaws by means of metallic plates C, Figs. 2 and 3, which fit the jaws, and are riveted to the jaws, and thus clamp the ends of the material, as in the ordinary purse of this description.

D represents a pin, of steel, brass, or similar elastic material, which extends along the outside of the jaw B, and one end thereof extends through a suitable hole, *a*, in the jaw, and is provided with a circular bend, *b*, which is sufficient to prevent the same from being drawn out, and then continues along the inside of the jaw any desirable distance; but I prefer to make the said distance such that this end of the pin impinges against one of the rounding ends *c* of the jaw, which latter is provided with a suitable inward curl, *d*. (Best seen in Fig. 2.) The pin is held in place by means of the metallic plate C, previously mentioned, which is riveted to the jaw, so as to bear down upon that part of the pin. It is seen that by this means of securing the pin the same is prevented from slipping out or working loose in the jaw. The free end of the pin D is adapted to be received by a catch, E, secured, in the example shown in the drawings, to the jaw B by the use of rivets, and the same is provided with an overhanging lip, *f*, which forms a socket for the pin, and against the upper portion of which the pin impinges, so that the point of the latter is protected, and the pin cannot become disengaged or torn from its socket. If desired, an ordinary hook can be secured to the jaw. The tendency of the action of the pin is upward, which causes the same to bear tightly against the lip.

The object of my invention is to obtain a purse, satchel, or the like which can be easily and securely suspended on the dress of the person, and one which can quickly be removed when so desired, while at the same time the suspending device is completely out of sight.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. As an improved article of manufacture, a purse having one of its hinged jaws provided with an attached pin and a socket for receiving the free end of the pin, substantially as described.

2. The combination, substantially as hereinbefore described, with a purse or the like, of an elastic pin extending through one of the jaws of the frame and secured thereto by a metallic plate fitting the jaw, and the socket for receiving and retaining the free end of the pin.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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