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Ear-Rings.

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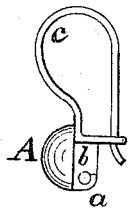


Fig. 1.

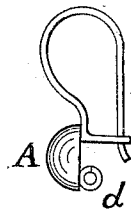


Fig. 2.

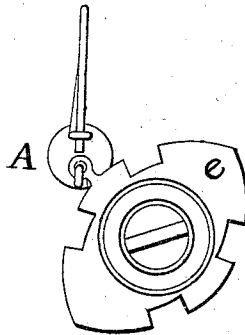


Fig. 3.

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IMPROVEMENT IN EAR-RINGS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES F. PIERCE, of the city and county of Providence, in the State of Rhode Island, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Ear-Rings; and I do hereby declare that the following specification, taken in connection with the drawings making a part of the same, is a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

Figure 1 is a side elevation of my invention. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the old-style ear-ring knob. Fig. 3 is an elevation, showing the old-style ear-ring with its drop disarranged.

The present invention relates to an improvement in that class of ear-rings which are composed of two or more parts, known in the art as suspenders, or knobs and drops. The object of my invention is to construct the knob-suspending hook or ring of an ear-ring so that it will be impossible for its drop to be suspended in any other position than that in which it was intended to be.

A in the drawing represents the knob of the ear-ring; C, the ear-wire. The knob A in Fig. 2 is represented with the old style of a ring or hook, *d*, to which is connected the drop *e*, Fig.

3. It is obvious that, should the drop *e* be turned around, (as it is liable to be when connected to the old-style knob-hook,) that it will take the position shown in Fig. 3, either to the right or left of the perpendicular center of the ear-ring, and there lodge itself, to the annoyance of the wearer.

In Fig. 1, the knob A is represented as being provided with a hook, *a*, having its outer edge extended perpendicularly toward the top of the knob, which arrangement as obviously shows that it would be impossible for the drop *e*, when connected to the said knob A by means of its hook *a*, to be disarranged.

Having thus described my improvement, what I claim as my invention, and desire to have secured to me by Letters Patent, is—

An ear-drop suspender or knob, with its lower hook or ring *a* constructed with its outer edge extended perpendicularly toward the top of the said knob, substantially as set forth for the purpose specified.

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