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WATCH HOLDER.

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Fig. 1.

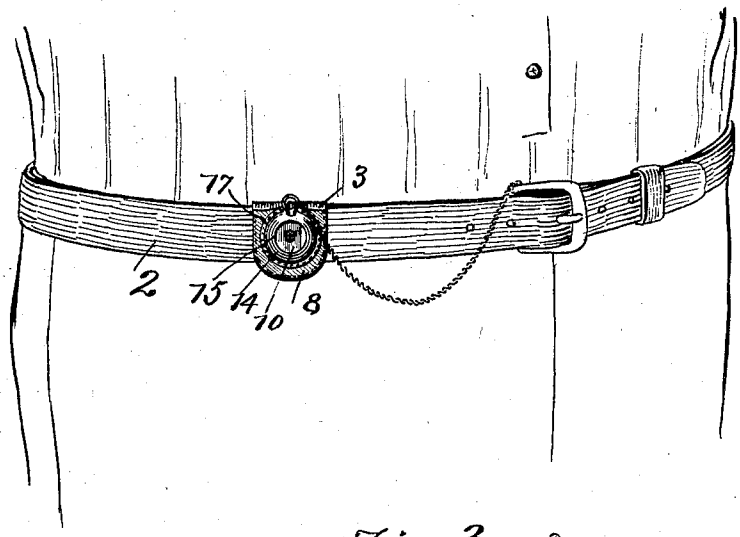


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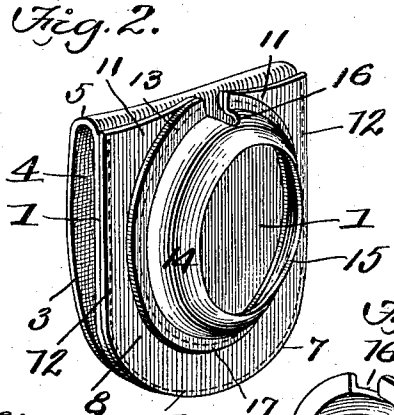


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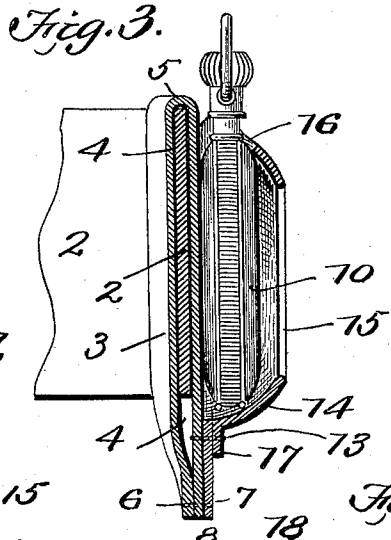


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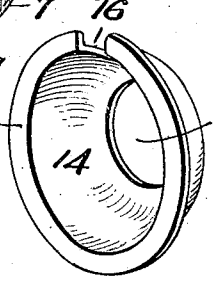


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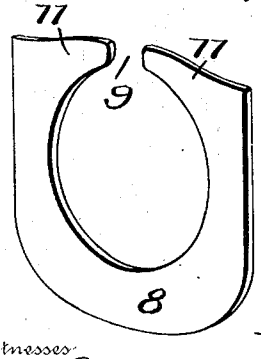


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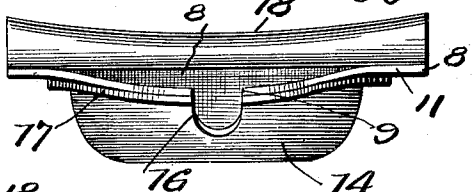
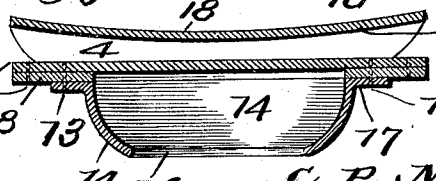


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES PITTS NICHOLSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Watch-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to watch-holders, and has for its object to provide a device which may be temporarily secured to the person of the wearer, as by means of a belt; and it consists in the improved construction and novel arrangement of parts of such holder, as will be hereinafter more fully described.

In the accompanying drawings, in which the same reference-numerals indicate the same parts in each of the views in which they occur, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a holder in position embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the holder detached. Fig. 3 is a vertical sectional view showing the watch in position and means for attaching the holder to the wearer. Fig. 4 is a top plan view of the holder detatched. Fig. 5 is a transverse sectional view. Fig. 6 and 7 are perspective detail views.

Referring more particularly to the drawings, 1 indicates the base of the holder, which is secured in position upon the wearer in any suitable manner, a belt 2 being shown in the drawings. One means for attaching the holder to the belt is by providing it with a rear portion 3, which forms with the base a loop or opening 4, through which the belt is passed. The base and rear portion are preferably formed from a single piece of material of the proper width and length, which is folded transversely, as at 5, with the ends secured together, as by a row of stitching 6. This construction gives a wide substantial bearing-surface to rest upon the upper edge of the belt and by rounding the lower ends as shown at 7, and extending the stitching across the tips only, which prevents the stitching from engaging with the lower edge of the belt and gives the holder a neat and tasty appearance.

Secured to the outer face of the base 1 is a flap or pocket portion 8, which is cut away at the center to form an opening 9 of a sufficient area to almost or entirely surround the edge of the watch 10 which is to be placed therein. The upper portion of the flap is cut away and forms two ends or shoulders 11, which rest upon opposite sides of the stem when the watch is in position. These shoulders normally stand a trifle above the upper corners of the flap, which permits of the corners being secured to the base a trifle below the top of the curved portion 5, so as to permit of the base being curved rearwardly to form the loop. The sides and lower end of the flap correspond with the sides and lower end of the base to which they are permanently secured, as by means of a row of stitching 12. Secured to the outer face of the flap, as by means of a row of stitching 13, is an outwardly-bulged annular flap 14, which is provided with an opening 15, through which the face of the watch is visible, and with a notch 16 at its upper edge, which registers with the cut-away portion of the flap 8, within which the stem is seated when the watch is in position. The bottom of the flap 14 is preferably provided with a flange 17, which surrounds the opening 9, through which the row of stitching 13 is passed in securing the parts together.

The holder may be constructed of any suitable material, as leather, heavy canvas, or the like, which will permit of the proper curvature, as shown at 18, of the rear attaching-piece 3 to adapt it for resting smoothly against the body of the wearer. In placing the watch in position it is inserted between the base and the flap portion at the top and slipped down between the parallel sides of the same until its face registers with the opening in front of the holder. The shoulders on the opposite sides of the notch in the top of the flap are then preferably passed to the rear of the watch-stem, which will cause the stem to project up through the notches, thereby preventing the ready removal of the watch. In this manner the shoulders virtually form a safety attachment to prevent the watch from being lost or stolen and could be utilized for that purpose whether the holder is secured upon the belt, within the watch-fob, or on any other portion of the clothing. The outer surface of the holder may be left plain and smooth, or it can be ornamented in any desired manner. By having the belt passed loosely through the loop the holder can be adjusted in any convenient position upon the

belt and will be held there by engagement with the clothing or by means of the watch-chain, which can have its free end attached to the buckle of the belt or in any convenient position.

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

1. In a watch-holder, a base and a retainer formed from a single piece of material folded transversely across its central portion and secured together at its ends, a perforated flap secured at its sides and bottom to the base and having its upper portion notched for the passage of the stem.

2. In a watch-holder, a base provided with means for securing it in position, a flap portion secured at its sides and bottom thereof and having its center and upper portion cut away to form ends, and an outwardly-bulged portion secured at its edges around the central cut-away portion of the flap and having its upper edge notched to correspond with the upper cut-away portion of the flap.

3. In a watch-holder, a base provided with means for securing it in position, a flap portion secured to the outer face thereof with its center and upper portions cut away, an outwardly-bulged perforated portion having its inner edge flanged and secured around the central perforation of the flap portion and its edge notched to register with the cut in the flap portion.

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