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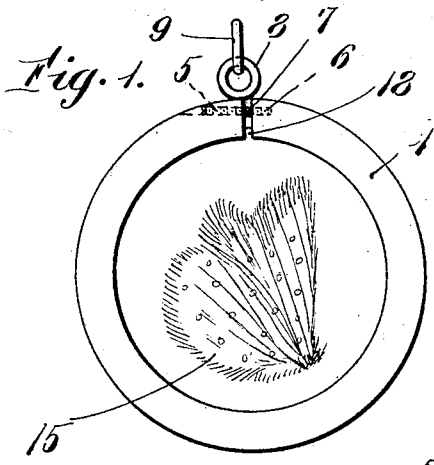



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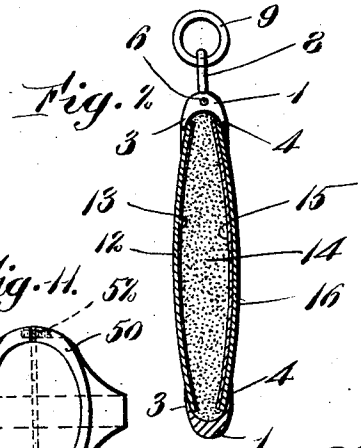



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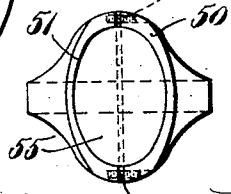



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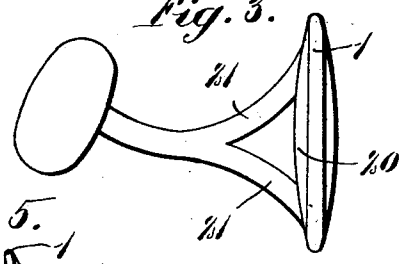



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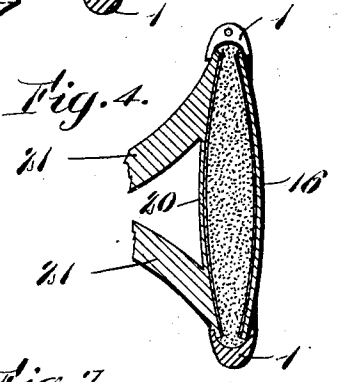



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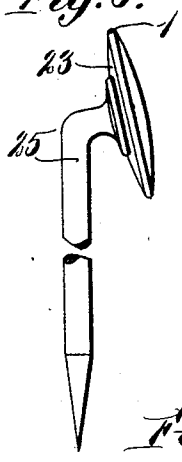



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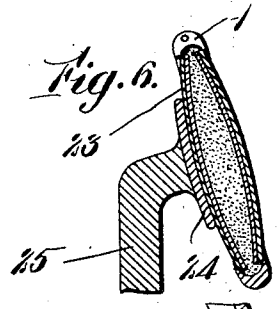



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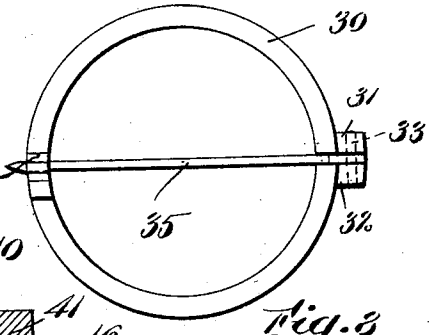



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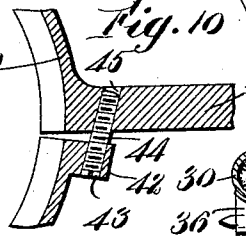



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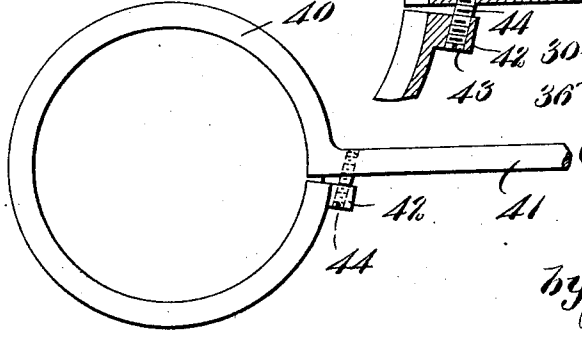



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, KARL E. ORSTEDT, a subject of the King of Sweden, and resident of Boston, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented an Improvement in Holders for Ornaments, of which the following description, in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a specification, like letters on the drawings representing like parts.

My present invention is an improved and novel type of adjustable holding device, intended for use in containing ornamental devices, pictures, coins and articles of jewelry. More particularly the invention is designed to constitute an adjustable holder and container for devices of jewelry, lockets and ornamental uses, wherein a glass and backing member or plate are utilized, and therefore where strength, appearance and utility are of great importance in the encircling holder.

I have adapted my invention for use in a variety of devices, such for example, as in containers as lockets, for holding the material constituting the well known ornamental devices built of wings and butterflies. In such jewelry it is of great importance to provide a holder which will also constitute an adjustable clamp having provision to retain the enclosing members, i. e., the backing and the glass crystal in firm and rigid engagement and in a manner to prevent any frictional movement between the backing and mounting for the butterfly and wings or the like. It is also of importance to have such an adjustable holder ornamental, of compact form, neat appearance and yet capable of careful adjustment to secure a close firm fit which will not break the crystal nor mar the integrity of the design.

Heretofore prior devices have been limited to the utilization of holders with a pair of glass members for both back and front and have been necessarily limited to lockets. My invention enables an improved and novel container to be used, not only more ornamental in design and efficient in adjustability, but also capable of a wide variety of uses. Furthermore, my invention contemplates the use of a solid backing member, which will be rigidly engaged by the encircling clasp or holder and to which backing member can be secured other devices, thus enabling the use of stick pins, brooches, cuff links and the like, to be employed and assembled in the holder. Furthermore, I have devised a novel type of holder and plate or backing member which will prevent the relative rotation of the same in the holder, whereas formerly there was nothing to prevent the rotative movement between the glass member and the retaining rim, which movement would, of course, mar and mutilate such delicate designs as those built of wings and butterflies, in case the container was used for such purpose.

Referring to the drawings, illustrating preferred embodiments of my invention,

Fig. 1 is a front view of my novel container;

Fig. 2 being a cross-sectional view therethrough;

Fig. 3 is a side view of the device applied to a design for cuff-links;

Fig. 4 being a corresponding cross-sectional view;

Figs. 5 and 6 are fragmentary elevational and cross-sectional views respectively of my invention applied to a design for a stickpin, Fig. 6 being on an enlarged scale;

Figs. 7 and 8 are plan and cross-sectional views respectively applied to a clasp or brooch;

Fig. 9 is a side view illustrating the invention utilized for a hat pin;

Fig. 10 being an enlarged detail sectional view; and

Fig. 11 is a fragmentary view illustrating the invention utilized in a signet or clasp ring.

I have illustrated the invention as applied to the somewhat delicate device known as a butterfly locket, since the feature of a holder or container for such devices requires a delicate construction and adjustment. My adjustable holder or container, therefore, comprises a ring-like clasping member 1, of suitable concavo-convex form (see Fig. 2), having the inward portions formed as illustrated at 3 and 4 to constitute retaining rims for the contents of the holder. I also prefer to provide adjustment and holding means which will be practically concealed from view and for this purpose I form a tapped recess 5 through one end portion of the holder and a corresponding tapped recess 6 in the adjacent part, in which the retaining and adjusting screw 7 is fitted. One or more attaching rings, 8 and 9 are also secured, being attached to one end portion of the clasp bar holder, as clearly shown in Figs.

1 and 2. When the holder is utilized for a butterfly ornamentation, I assemble the latter by building it upon a metallic back or plate 12, on which the lining member 13 is applied, then the filling of cotton 14 and the front design 15, which may be mounted upon a separate wing if desired, to which is applied the glass crystal 16. With these members thus assembled and with the retaining screw 7 removed, the holder 1 may be expanded sufficiently to fit over the assembled parts, the rim portions 3 and 4 engaging them and the adjusting screw 7 is then applied and the entire holder tightened and clasped about the design thus built, holding the same rigidly, firmly and tightly in final adjusted position. I prefer to form the retaining plate 12 with a small lug shown at 18, which will fit between the abutting end portions of the holder 1 under the adjusting and retaining screw 7. This prevents rotation of the back plate 12 and also prevents displacement and marring of the packing and elements built into the design.

It will be appreciated that a relatively delicate adjustment is required to prevent breaking the glass, crystal, or marring the butterfly design in assembling the apparatus, and yet that an attractive, firm, rigid and strong construction must be supplied. My invention is intended to cover this demand.

The container can also be utilized as a holder for pictures and worn as a locket, or other ornaments.

In Figs. 3 and 4 I have illustrated the container 1 similarly holding a butterfly design but with the backing plate 20 being attached to the side arms 21, 21, of a cuff-link, sufficient rigidity being secured for this purpose. Similarly Figs. 5 and 6 illustrate the design with the back plate 23 engaged by the rim 1, and carrying a stickpin shaft 25, the plate 23 giving a base for the flange 24 to be soldered thereto.

In Figs. 7 and 8 I have illustrated a modified form of the invention wherein the holder or retaining rim, here designated at 30, is formed with a pair of lugs 31 and 32 opposite the abutting end portions, being united by a connecting bolt or screw 33, which also constitutes a pivot for the pin member 35, which latter extends across to the clasp 36. In this form the rim of the holder 30 may be of less dimensions than that illustrated at 1 wherein the connecting screw 7 is countersunk and concealed from view. Otherwise the container is of substantially equal utility, having the projecting flange members 37 and 38, to engage the backing 12, crystal 16 and the contents. In Figs. 9 and 10 I have illustrated the holder 40 formed with the shaft or pin 41 rigid with one end of the holder, the adjacent end portion having a lug 42 through which the retaining and adjusting screw 44 is applied through tapped recesses 43 and 45 respectively. This design is suitable for a hatpin or other arrangement requiring great strength and rigidity.

In Fig. 11 I have shown a design for a signet ring or coin container or the like, wherein the retaining flange portions 50 and 51 of the ring are united by adjusting screws 52 and 53 concealed therein in the same manner as the holder shown in Figs. 1 and 2. In this form a ring can be utilized with the backing plate 55 separated, as shown in dotted lines, and a desired design fitted into the ring and thereupon the adjusting screws tightened to final position.

It will be appreciated that my invention is capable of a wide variety of uses and that being specially suited for as delicate work as that illustrating the butterfly designs, the holder and container can be employed for other similar and less delicate devices, the adjustment of the ringlike clasping member as it is joined together, solidifies and tightens the engagement between the backing plate 12, 20, 23 or 55 respectively and the crystal 16, or other surface which is caught within the periphery of the curved flange portions on the holding rim. The arrangement enables a very fine and rigid adjustment to be made without danger of breakage to crystals, marring the contents, and also provides a quick means of assembling and holding them.

My invention is further described and defined in the form of claims as follows:

Apparatus of the kind described, comprising a ring-like holder provided with a substantially semi-circular groove on the interior, an ornament, and means for holding the same, including a filler and a metallic backing positioned in the holder with the holding means engaged in the semi-circular groove in the ring-like holder, and means for reducing the diameter of the said ring-like holder to compress the ornament holding means and prevent movement of the ornament therein.

In testimony whereof, I have signed my name to this specification.

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