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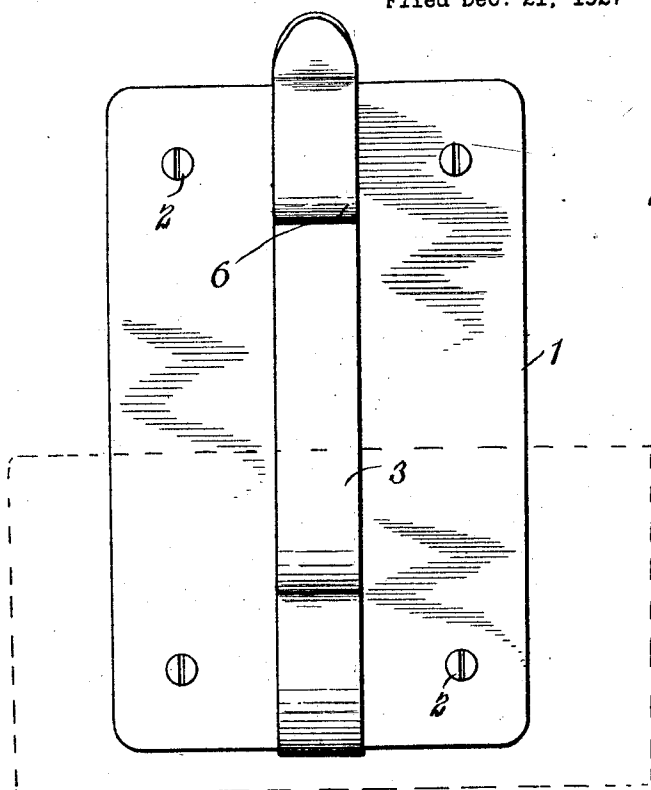


Fig. 1.

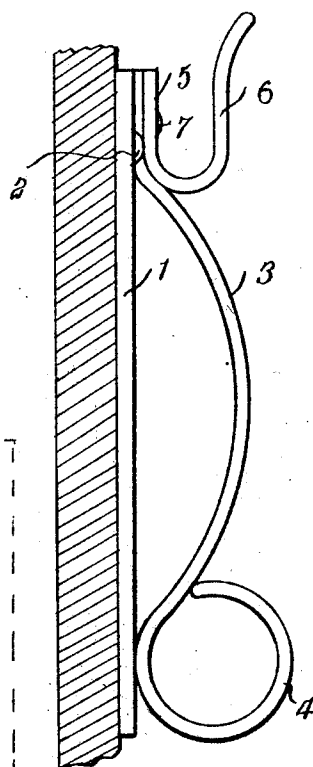


Fig. 2.

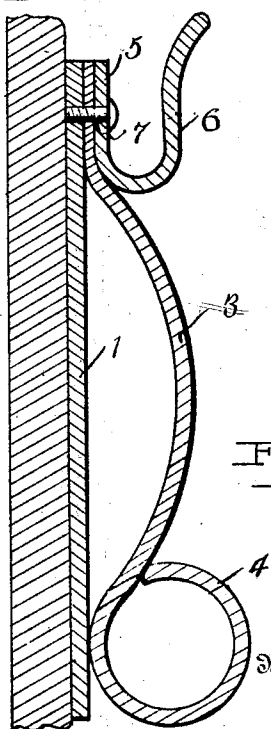


Fig. 3.

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COMBINED CLASP AND HOOK.

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The present invention is directed to improvements in combined clasps and hooks.

The primary object of the invention is to provide an article of this character so constructed that it can be conveniently attached to a wall or other support, the construction being such that pocketbooks with, or without handles, can be conveniently engaged with the device.

Another object of the invention is to provide an article of this character so constructed that a pocketbook of the flat type can be easily and quickly engaged with the device to hold the same and readily released therefrom.

Another object of the invention is to provide a device of this character which is simple in construction, and one which can be manufactured at a very small cost.

With these and other objects in view, this invention resides in the novel features of construction, formation, combination and arrangement of parts to be hereinafter more fully described, claimed and illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which,—

Figure 1 is a front view of the device.

Figure 2 is a side elevation thereof.

Figure 3 is a vertical sectional view through the device.

Referring to the drawing, 1 designates a sheet metal plate, preferably rectangular in shape and provided with a plurality of securing devices 2 in order that the plate can be conveniently secured to a wall or other support.

An outwardly bowed resilient arm 3 is employed, and has its lower end terminating in a sleeve 4, which forms in effect, a handle to

manipulate the arm 3. The upper end of the arm is engaged with the central portion of the plate 1, and engaged flush thereagainst is the vertical flange 5 of the hook 6, there being a rivet 7 passed through the flange, arm and plate in order to hold the same rigidly connected.

Since the arm is resilient the sleeve 4 can be grasped and the arm flexed outwardly in order that a flat pocketbook can be clamped between the sleeve and plate 1. In case the pocketbook is provided with a handle the handle can be conveniently engaged with the hook 6.

While the device is primarily designed for suspending pocketbooks, it will be of course understood that other articles can be conveniently suspended thereby.

From the foregoing description, it will be seen that we have provided a device which can be ornamented, in order that it will present an attractive appearance in restaurants, houses, or offices, the parts thereof being formed from suitable sheet metal will provide an article which will last indefinitely.

Having thus described the invention, we claim:

A device of the class described comprising a plate, a resilient arm having its upper end engaged with the plate, a hook having a flange engaged with the upper end of the arm, and securing means passable through the flange and arm, and engaged in the plate for securing the flange, arm and plate together.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures.

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