

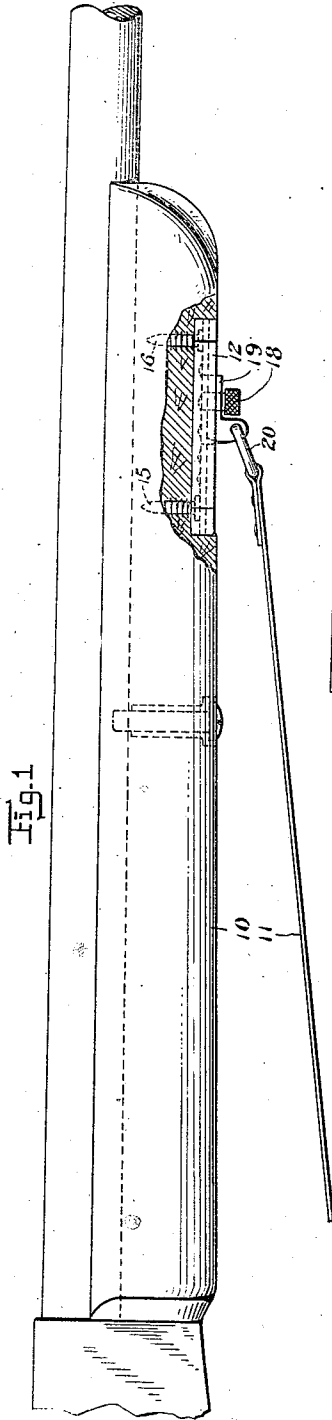
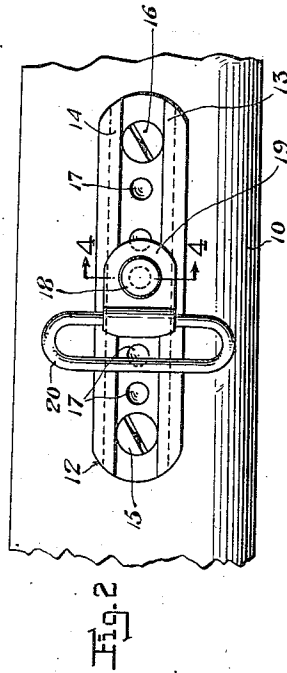
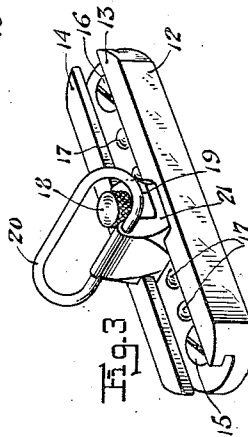
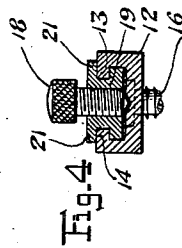
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This invention relates to firearms, and contemplates an improved method for the attachment of a sling strap to the fore-end of a firearm.

In the past, where firearms have been provided with sling strap attachments, it has been customary to rigidly and immovably secure the sling strap attaching means at some point forward from the center of the gun. However, the varying requirements of individual shooters render it desirable that the point of attachment of the forward end of the sling strap be capable of adjustment, and to that end the present invention contemplates a device for adjustably securing the forward end of a sling strap to a firearm fore-end.

In the drawing:

Fig. 1 is a fragmentary side elevation, partly in section, of as much of a firearm as is necessary to show the application of the present invention thereto.

Fig. 2 is a fragmentary inverted plan view of the sling strap attaching means and adjacent parts of a firearm fore-end.

Fig. 3 is a detached perspective of the improved sling strap attaching means.

Fig. 4 is a section substantially on the line 4-4 of Fig. 2.

Numeral 10 indicates the fore-end of a firearm, and numeral 11 a sling strap. The sling strap securing means comprises a recess in the fore-end into which is inserted an attachment base 12 in such a manner that its outer surface is substantially flush with the adjacent surface of the fore-end. The attachment base is generally of channel shape, the flanges of the channel being turned inwardly to form ledges 13 and 14 which, together with other parts of the channel, define a T-slot extending longitudinally of the base. Suitable means, such as screws 15 and 16, are provided for attaching the base to the fore-end, said screws extending through counter-sunk apertures in the base. In the

part of the base which forms the bottom of the T-slot are a number of depressions 17 adapted to receive the end of a set screw 18. The set screw 18 passes through a head 19 of a strap holding member in which is pivoted a strap receiving ring 20. The cross-section of the head 19 conforms to and is received in the T-slot in the base 12. Said head further comprises flanges 21 adapted to rest upon the ledges 13 and 14 of the base.

It will be seen that by retracting set screw 18 to clear the depression 17 in the bottom of the T-slot the strap supporting member may be adjusted longitudinally of the base to any desired position and secured in such position by again advancing the set screw 18 into engagement with one of the depressions 17.

The invention is not to be considered as limited to the particular embodiment thereof herein described and illustrated in the drawing, but is to be construed as extending to all equivalent devices which fall within the scope of the appended claims.

What is claimed is:

1. Means for adjustably attaching a sling strap to the fore-end of a firearm comprising a base secured in and substantially flush with the surface of said fore-end, and a strap holding member adjustably held on said base.

2. Means for adjustably securing a sling strap to the fore-end of a firearm comprising a recess in said fore-end, a base held in said recess, a strap holding member, and means for securing said strap holding member to said base in any one of a plurality of positions.

3. Means for adjustably securing a sling strap to the fore-end of a firearm comprising an elongated base secured in said fore-end, a longitudinal slot in said base, depressions in said slot, a strap holding member comprising a head adapted to be received in said slot, and a set screw on said member adapted to be received in a desired one of said depres-

sions, thereby locating and holding said member in a desired longitudinal position.

4. Means for adjustably securing a sling strap to the fore-end of a firearm comprising
5 an elongated base, devices for securing said base to said fore-end, a T-slot in said base, depressions in the bottom of said T-slot, a strap holding member comprising a head
10 adapted to be received in said T-slot, flanges on said member adapted to engage the outer surface of said base adjacent the margin of said T-slot, and a set screw on said member adapted to be received in any of said depres-

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