

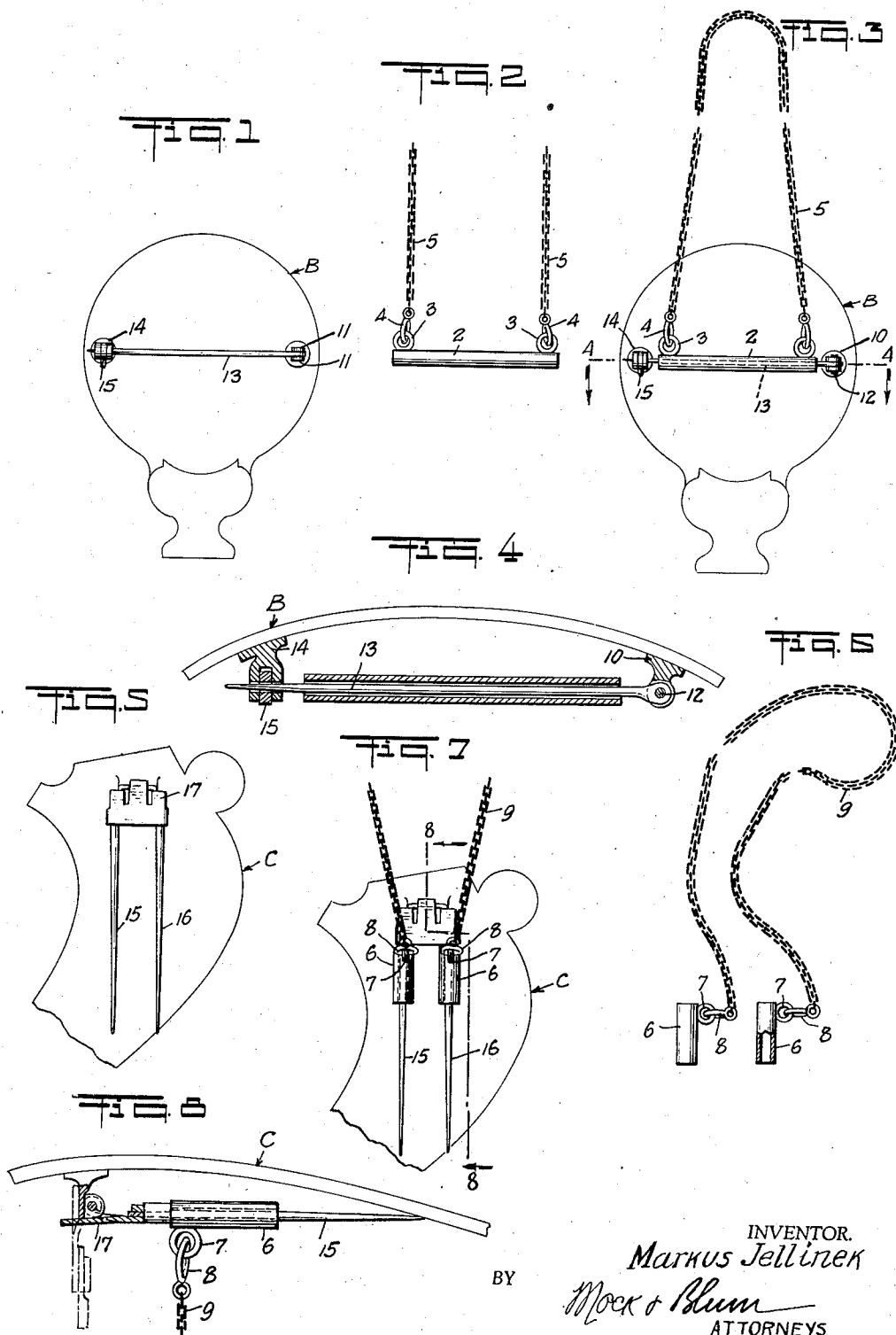
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My invention relates to improvements in a jewelry attachment and more particularly to a device adapted to convert and transform articles of jewelry such as brooches, pins and clips into a pendant.

At present there are in common use certain articles of jewelry and novelty jewelry such as brooches, breast pins, clips, pin clips and the like, which are detachably secured to the clothing of the wearer by pins or the like. With their present construction, these articles of jewelry are perforce restricted and limited to such use. It is therefore the primary object of my invention to provide a novel device which can be readily assembled with the aforesaid articles of jewelry, adapting and enabling them to be used as pendants and suspended from the neck of the wearer.

Another object of my invention is to provide a simple and inexpensive device which can be attached to brooches, clips and the like, so that the said devices can be worn as pendants.

Another object of my invention is to provide a novel attachment for certain articles of jewelry normally secured to the wearer's clothing, enabling the said articles to be used as pendants without altering the construction of the said articles in any manner whatsoever.

Another object of my invention is to provide a device having the foregoing characteristics which can be manufactured at low cost and which is simple and convenient to use.

Other objects of my invention will be set forth in the following description and drawings which illustrate preferred embodiments thereof, it being understood that the foregoing statements of the objects of the invention is intended to generally explain the same without limiting it in any manner.

Fig. 1 is a rear view of a brooch type of article of jewelry with which my device may be used.

Fig. 2 is a rear view of my device with part of the chain member broken away for the convenience of illustration.

Fig. 3 is a rear view showing my device attached to the brooch shown in Fig. 1.

Fig. 4 is a sectional view along line 4—4 of Fig. 3.

Fig. 5 is a rear view of a clip type of article of jewelry, shown partially broken away.

Fig. 6 is a rear view of another embodiment of my device.

Fig. 7 is a rear view showing the device illustrated in Fig. 6 assembled with the clip shown in Fig. 5.

Fig. 8 is a sectional view along line 8—8 of Fig. 7.

Referring to Figs. 1 to 4 of the drawing, the reference letter B designates any ornamental type of brooch, said brooch having projecting from the rear face thereof the member 10, said member having a pair of parallel spaced projections 11. Pivotaly secured between the said projections 11 by means of pivot 12 is the pin member 13. Also projecting from the rear face of brooch B is the safety catch 14, said safety catch being positioned adjacent the free end of pin 13 when said pin is in the closed position. Said safety catch 14 is provided with pin locking means 15. The brooch just described is a well known and common type of article of jewelry and I do not wish to limit the application of my device to any specific or particular type or style of brooch.

Specifically, my device or attachment comprises a tubular member or sleeve 2, said tubular member or sleeve being shorter than the length of pin 13 with which my device is to be used. It should be noted that sleeve 2 should not be so short whereby there will be too much play or sliding of pin 13 within said sleeve 2, thereby causing an undesired tilting of the brooch when said brooch is used as a pendant.

Rigidly secured to the top face of sleeve 2 adjacent each end thereof are the eye members 3, said eye members 3 engaging the link connecting members 4, which link members are in turn engaged by the free ends of the ornamental chain 5. It should be noted that while I have shown a chain 5 it is quite obvious that an ornamental cord or wire or any other flexible means may be substituted therefor.

My device is assembled with brooch B by merely opening the pin 13 and sliding sleeve 2 over said pin 13, and thereafter closing said pin and locking the same by means of locking member 15. Now the brooch may be worn as a pendant or lavalier simply by placing the chain 5 around the neck of the wearer.

Referring now to Figs. 5 to 8 of the drawing, the device illustrated therein is used in conjunction with the clip type of jewelry having a plurality of pins. This clip type of jewelry is of the usual and common construction and is provided with locking bars 15 and 16 which are respectively connected to the rear face of clip C by means of hinge 17. This hinge may be of well known construction and there may be included a suitable spring or springs whereby each locking

bar 15 and 16 will be held yielding in the operative or inoperative position.

My attachment or device for enabling clip C to be used as a pendant comprises a pair of collar or sleeve members 6, said collars or sleeve members being substantially shorter than locking bars 15 or 16. Each of said sleeves 6 has rigidly positioned at one end thereof an eye member 7, each of said eye members engaging the link connecting members 8, which link members are in turn engaged by the free ends of the ornamental chain 9.

My device is assembled with clip C by merely raising locking bars 15 and 16 and sliding each of sleeve members 6 over locking bars 15 and 16 respectively. The said locking bars are then snapped into the closed position. In order that the assemblage may be used as a pendant or lavalier, it is essential that clip C be in the position shown in Fig. 7 so that the weight of said clip will cause the hinge 17 to rest upon the top walls of sleeves 6. Clip C may now be worn as a pendant simply by placing chain 9 around the neck of the wearer.

For the purpose of convenience, I have designated chains 5 and 9 as suspending members in the claims.

If desired, locking means may be provided for locking sleeve members 6 on their respective locking bars.

I have shown and described preferred embodiments of my invention, but it is obvious that numerous changes, omissions and alterations may be made without departing from its spirit.

I claim:

1. A jewelry attachment for use with articles of jewelry having a pin, comprising a suspending member, a sleeve member having each of its ends secured to the free ends of said suspending member, said sleeve member adapted to slide

over and engage the pin of the article of jewelry.

2. A jewelry attachment for use with articles of jewelry having a pin, comprising a sleeve, eye members secured to each end of said sleeve and a suspending member having link connecting members secured to the free ends thereof, said link connecting members engaging the eye members of the sleeve.

3. A jewelry attachment for use with an article of jewelry having two pins parallel to the vertical axis of said article of jewelry, comprising a suspending member, sleeve members having one of their ends secured to each of the free ends of said suspending member, each of said sleeve members being adapted to slide over and engage each of the pins of the article of jewelry.

4. A jewelry attachment for use with an article of jewelry having two locking bars parallel to the vertical axis of said article of jewelry, comprising a plurality of sleeve members, an eye member secured to each sleeve, a suspending member having link connecting members secured to the free ends thereof, said link connecting members engaging the eye members of the sleeve members.

5. An auxiliary article for converting a brooch type of article of jewelry into a pendant, comprising a tubular member adapted to slip over the pin of the brooch and a suspending member having each of its free ends secured to the ends of said tubular member.

6. An auxiliary article for converting a brooch type of article of jewelry into a pendant, comprising a tubular member adapted to slip over and engage the pin of the brooch, the inner diameter of said tubular member being substantially equal to the diameter of the said pin, and a suspending member having each of its ends secured to the ends of said tubular member.

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