

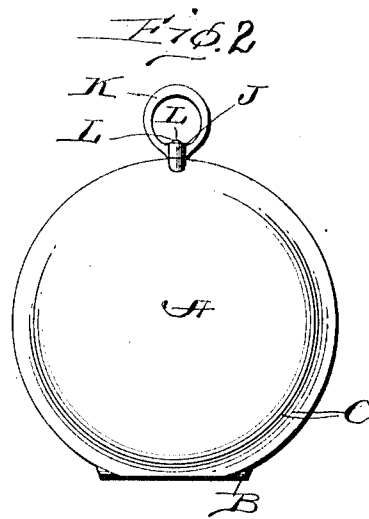
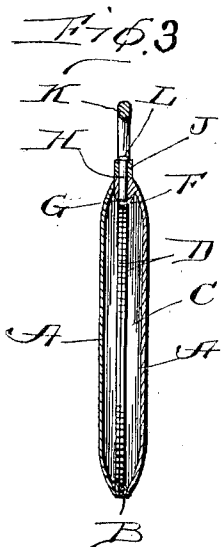
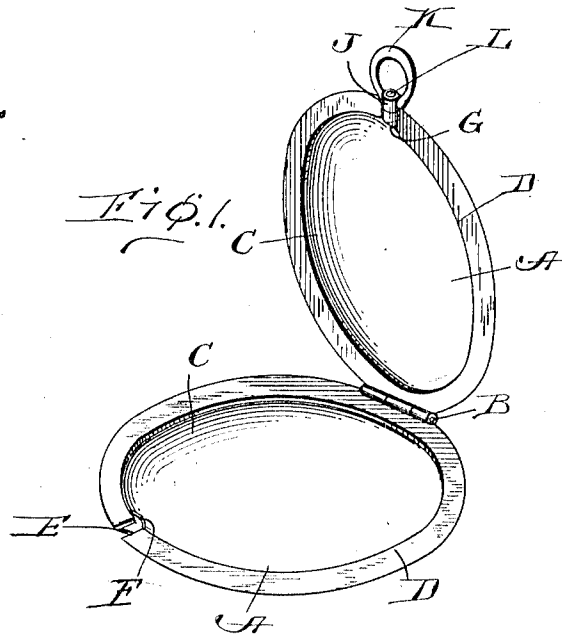
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT M. EWING, a citizen of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Lockets, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in lockets, and while the improvements are particularly useful and applicable to lockets, they may be used upon any other article of jewelry or in fact in any other situation where the improvements would operate in a practical manner.

The leading object of my invention is the provision of a swivel connection capable of use in connection with a locket and which will permit of the turning of the locket to any position without wear or strain upon the parts, and which will make a very ornamental and attractive connection for the locket.

Another object of my invention is the provision of improvements which will be very attractive and ornamental and which in addition to performing the functions of a swivel and ring connection will also provide a catch or keeper for the hinge sections of the locket when the locket is closed, but which will permit of the ready opening of the locket, such construction thus dispensing entirely with the use of additional fastenings and securing an economy in the manufacture of the article.

Another object of my invention is the provision of a combined swivel and keeper for the locket which will be made from the material forming the locket, and which will permit the lockets to be made very thin, also which will bring the swivel ring contiguous to the locket proper, making a compact and attractive construction, and in general, the improvements aim to produce a desirable and practical article of this character.

To attain the desired objects, the invention broadly stated consists of a locket or article of jewelry composed of two hinged parts or members, one being provided with the swivel support and the other member or part being formed with a seat for said swivel and with a catch or keeper contiguous to said seat for engaging the swivel support to effect the locking of the two parts of the locket.

In order that the detailed construction of

my improvements and their operation may be fully understood and the advantages resulting from such construction may be appreciated, I have illustrated in the accompanying drawings a locket provided or equipped with my invention.

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of a locket shown in open position and provided with my improved lock and swivel. Fig. 2 represents a face view of the locket showing the construction of the swivel as it appears from the exterior, and Fig. 3 represents a sectional view showing the parts in the position they occupy when the locket is closed.

It will be understood that my improvements are capable of use in connection with various articles of jewelry or personal adornment such as pendants, charms, lockets, and other articles composed of two parts, and I have shown my improvement in connection with a locket, such locket consisting of the two similar members A, hinged together at B, and as usual cupped or concaved at C to form a receptacle for photographs, or any other suitable articles, and providing the rim or flange D. In my invention, one of these rims is cut out to form the seat or socket E, and the material taken from this rim provides the spring catch or keeper F, which when the locket is closed, engages the projection G formed immediately opposite on the other rim so that when the locket is closed it will be secured by the engagement of the keeper with said projection. This projection is formed with a stud H, which is adapted to engage the eye J formed in the attaching or suspension ring K, and when the eye of said ring is in position, the top of the stud is bent over to form the retaining head L, which thus confines the eye of the ring and forms a complete and perfect swivel connection between the suspension ring and locket, and dispenses entirely with the use of pins or pivots fastened to the locket direct.

It will be observed that the hinge is disposed at the lower edge of the locket and that the latch or locking device is arranged at the top of the locket and directly in line with the hinge, which permits the locket to be easily opened downward and dispenses with other fastening means and also that the swivel is arranged above the projection and fastening and the edge of the locket, which allows the locket to turn readily on its suspension ring without liability

of twisting the chain from which the locket is suspended.

I claim:—

1. An article of the character described, consisting of two cupped or concaved members formed each with a flat rim, a hinge connecting the members at their lower edge to permit the members to open downwardly, the rim of one member being cut out to form a seat or recess, a catch or keeper provided by the cut out portion of the rim, a projection formed on the other member and adapted when closed to have its lower edge engaged by the catch or keeper of the other member, and a ring swiveled in said projection for suspending the locket.

2. An article of the character described, consisting of two similar members dished or concaved and hinged at their lower edge, said members being each formed upon its inner edge with a rim, a cut out portion or seat formed in the rim of one member, a catch or keeper provided by the material cut from the rim, a projection formed on the rim of the other member in opposite relation to the seat in the rim of the other member, to be engaged by the catch or keeper on said member, said projection being formed with

an opening, a pin pivoted in said opening, and a ring swiveled upon said pin, said projection and seat being arranged in opposite relation to the hinge of the article.

3. An article of jewelry of the character described; consisting of two similar dished or concaved members, a hinge connecting the members at their edge, a recess and contiguous catch on one of the sections, a projection on the other member adapted to fit the recess and be engaged by the catch on the other member for securing the members when closed, said recess, catch and projection being on the edge of the locket directly in line with and opposite the hinge of the members, a pin pivoted in the projection and extending above the edge of the locket and a suspending ring having its collar swiveled upon the projecting end of the pin, whereby the locket may be readily opened and may be swung to the desired position with ease upon the pivot pin.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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