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Fig. 1.



Fig. 2.

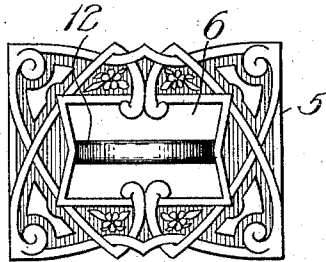


Fig. 3.

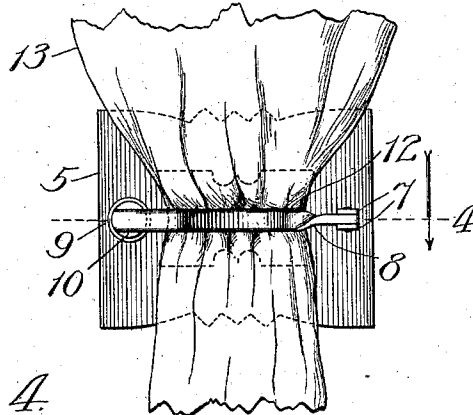
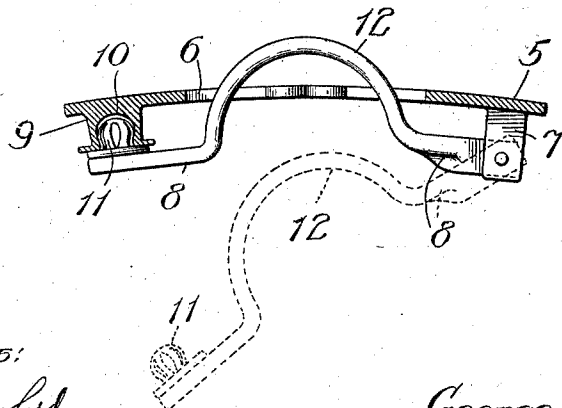


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE T. CHAPMAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at 4210 West Twenty-first Place, Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Clasps, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a novel construction of buckle-like clasp for clamping together parts of women's wearing apparel usually requiring to be fastened by knotting or tying, such as automobile veils, and other head-coverings, scarfs and neckties, hair-ribbons, and the like, whereby the fastening may be conveniently and quickly effected and undone without knotting but in a manner to cause it to present the ornamental finish-lending appearance of a knot.

In the accompanying drawing—Figure 1 is a perspective view showing my improved clasp operatively applied to an automobile-veil on a woman's head; Fig. 2 is a face view of the clasp; Fig. 3 is a view showing the clasp in rear elevation as operatively applied to such a veil, and Fig. 4 is an enlarged section of the clasp on line 4, Fig. 3, showing the bowed clamping bar in its fastened condition and, by dotted representation, in its unfastened condition.

The body of the clasp is a frame 5, shown of rectangular shape and bowed longitudinally, though it may involve any desired shape; and it is usually made of metal with suitable ornamentation on its face about the essential opening 6, of any suitable configuration, through the body. Between parallel lugs 7 extending from the back of the frame near and centrally of one end thereof, is pivotally fastened or hinged one end of the clamping bar 8, the opposite end of which is adapted to be releasably fastened to the frame, as at a boss 9 on its back alining with the pivotal support 7 and containing a socket 10 into which to force a compressible elastic button 11 on the free end of the bar. Be-

tween its ends the bar is formed with a pronounced bow-section 12 to register with the frame-opening 6 and protrude through the latter, in bringing the bar to its fastened condition, for the purpose hereinafter explained.

To use the clasp for its purpose, with the bar in the unfastened condition indicated in Fig. 4, the device is applied to the parts of the article to be fastened, as those of the head-veil 13 shown in Fig. 1, in a manner to embrace them between the frame and the bar, whereupon the bar is fastened by pressing its button 11 into the socket 10. By the act of thus fastening the bar its bowed section is caused to protrude through the opening 6 beyond the face of the frame, thereby forcing the portion of the veil in its path, and which covers and hides the bar, through the opening and to present it centrally at the face of the clasp in bulging form resembling a rosette or knot and greatly enhancing the effect of the article of wearing apparel and the ornamental appearance of the clasp.

What I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is—

A clasp of the character described comprising a frame provided with an opening and downwardly projecting lugs located at each end of the frame, and a bar pivoted at one end to one of the lugs and adapted at its other end to engage the other lug, said bar extending across the back of the frame and traversing said opening, said bar having an intermediate bowed section registering with and protruding through said opening beyond the face of the frame, whereby a veil, scarf or the like may be held intermediate its ends with the portion covering the bowed portion of the bar protruding through the opening in the frame to give a rosette or knot-like effect.

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