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WATCH BOX.

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FIG. 1.

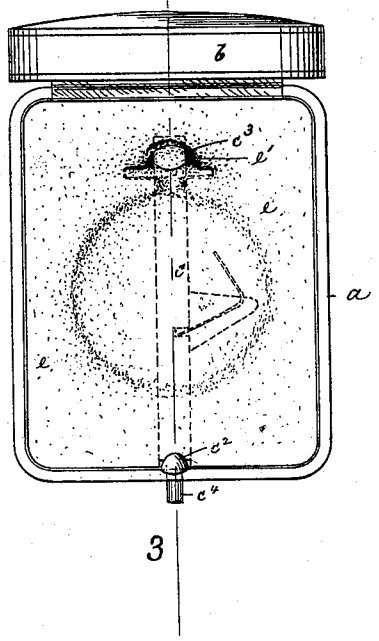


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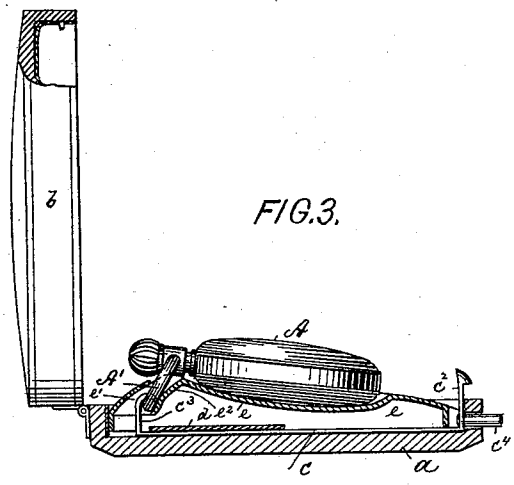


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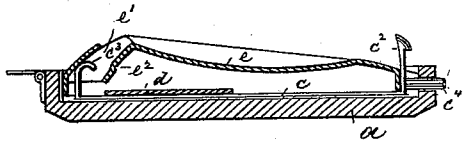
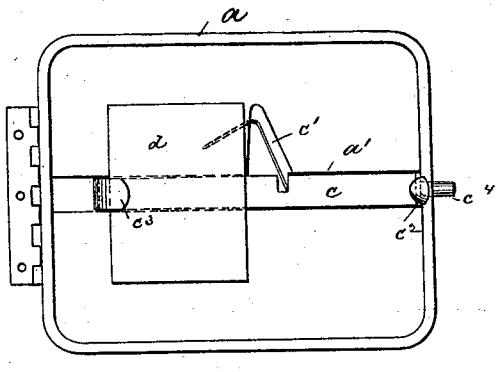


FIG. 2.



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WATCH-BOX.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 600,976, dated March 22, 1898.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LOUIS BORGZINNER, a citizen of the Kingdom of Würtemberg, and a resident of Unter-Reichenbach, in the county of Calve and Kingdom of Würtemberg, Germany, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Watch-Boxes, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a watch box or case which is so constructed that the watch is normally locked to its seat, but is released by the same manipulation which serves to open the case. Thus as the case is handled the watch cannot become displaced or fall from its seat.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a top view of my improved watch-box, showing it open. Fig. 2 is a plan of the box with the lid and watch-block removed; Fig. 3, a vertical section of the box, showing the watch engaged by the hook; and Fig. 4, a similar section with the cover removed and showing the hook open.

The letter *a* represents the body of a watch box or case having the usual hinged lid *b*. Within the upper face of the box *a* there is formed a longitudinal central groove *a'*, in which there is free to slide a locking bolt or bar *c*, retained in position by a suitable keeper *d* and normally crowded forward by a spring *c'*. The slide *c* is provided near its front end with a catch c^2, adapted to engage the lid *b*, and at its rear end with a hook c^3, having a forwardly-curved bill and adapted to engage the ring A' of a watch A. A pin c^4, protruding forwardly from catch c^2 through a perforation in the front wall of the watch-case, permits the slide to be manipulated.

Within the box *a* and above the slide *c* and keeper *d* there is placed the watch-supporting block *e*, which is provided near its rear end with an inclined slot *e'*, which receives the hook c^3 and which is of sufficient depth to permit the proper longitudinal motion of the same.

To insert the watch, the slide *c* is pushed backward by means of pin c^4, and the watch is placed upon the block *e*, with its ring A' turned slightly downward to enter the slot *e'*. Upon the release of the slide the hook c^3 will engage the ring A' and hold it firmly against the inclined front wall e^2 of slot *e'*, while at the same time the catch c^2 will move forward to engage the lid *b* as the latter is closed. Thus it will be seen that the watch is securely held in place when the box is open or closed. The watch may be removed by pushing the slide backward to open the box and cause the hook c^3 to release the ring A'.

What I claim is—

1. A watch-box having a lid and a slide, which is provided with a front catch adapted to engage the lid, and a rear hook adapted to engage the watch-ring, substantially as specified.

2. A watch-box having a lid, a slotted watch-supporting block, and a spring-actuated slide, said slide being provided with a front catch adapted to engage the lid, and a rear hook projecting into the slot of the watch-block and adapted to engage the watch-ring, substantially as specified.

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