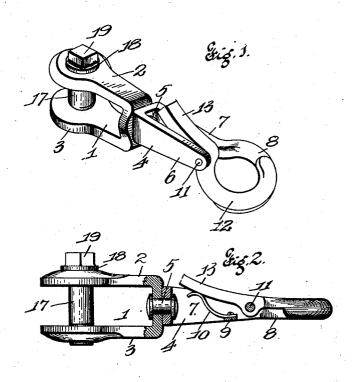
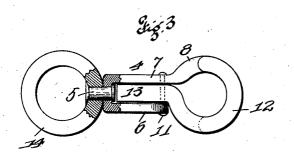
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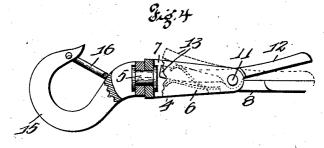
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, John C. Hackett, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of St. Louis, Missouri, have invented 5 certain new and useful Improvements in a Combined Swivel, Ring, and Lap-Ring, of which the following is a specification containing a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, 10 forming a part hereof.

My invention relates to a combined swivel, ring, and lap-ring, consisting of the novel features herein shown, described, and claimed.

The object of my invention is to provide an 15 improved article which may be used as a hamefastener, trace-fastener, and in many other places where common rings and snap-hooks are used.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective 20 view. Fig. 2 is an edge view with parts in section. Fig. 3 is a top plan view of a modified form of my improved invention. Fig. 4 is an edge view of a modified form of my improved invention.

Referring to the drawings, 1 indicates the clevis portion, which is provided with members 2 and 3. The member 2 is provided with a plain opening and the member 3 is provided with screw-threaded opening.

4 indicates the fork, which is swiveled or pivoted to the clevis portion 1 by means of a rivet 5. Said fork comprises a member 6 and a member 7, which latter terminates in a semicircular ring 8. The member 7 is also pro-35 vided with a lug 9, to which is attached a spring 10. Pivoted between the members 6 and 7 by means of a rivet 11 passing through the members 6 and 7 is a semicircular halfring 12. Formed integral with the semicir-40 cular half-ring 12 is an arm 13, which rests on the spring 10. The half-rings 8 and 12 constitute what is called a "lap-ring," which when mated together form a complete ring. By pressing down on the arm 13 the half-rings 45 8 and 12 are opened up, and suitable attachments, such as common rings or chains, may be inserted in or removed from the same. The

said half-rings are held together by means of

the resilience of the spring 10. Located in the members 2 and 3 is a connecting-pin 17, 50 the lower end of which is provided with screwthreads adapted to be inserted in the screwthreaded opening in the member 3, and the upper end is provided with a shoulder 18 and a square head 19. This connecting-pin can 55 be removed from and inserted in the clevis portion when I desire to connect my invention to a shifting bar.

In Fig. 3 is shown a modified form wherein there is substituted for the clevis portion 1 a 60

In Fig. 4 I substitute in place of the clevis portion 2 and ring 14 a hook 15, which car-

ries a pivoted link 16.

It will be seen from the foregoing that my 65 invention is susceptible to various uses. It will also be observed that the clevis portion 1 of the device shown in Figs. 1 and 2 and the ring portion 14 of the modified construction of Fig. 3 and also the hook portion of the further modified construction of Fig. 4 are all of a similar nature, for the reason that each of them are substantially "ring-like"—that is, each of said devices incloses a space through which a pin or a hook may be inserted. For 75 instance, a pin or a hook may be readily connected to said clevis portion 1 and may be equally as readily connected to the ring portion 14 or the hook portion 15 of the modified construction.

Having fully described my invention, what I claim is-

An improved connecting device, comprising a ring-like portion, the U-shaped portion swiveled thereto and having one of its arms ex-85 tended and curved to form the half-ring portion, and the meeting half-ring pivoted thereto and spring-pressed.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in presence of two sub- 9° scribing witnesses.

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