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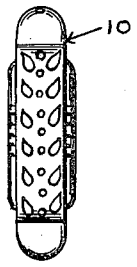


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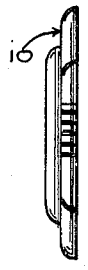


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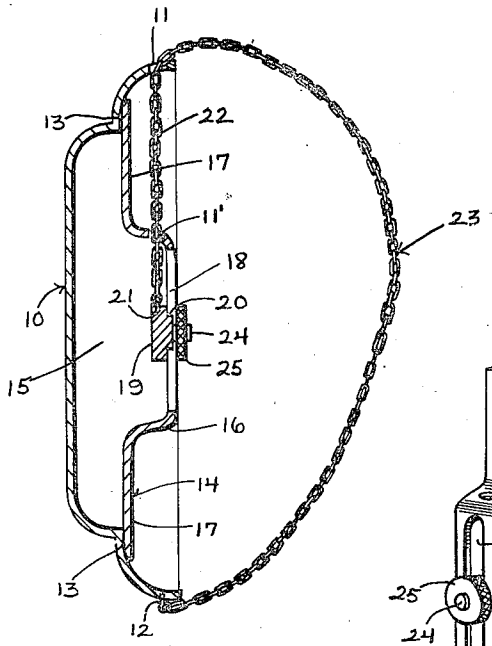


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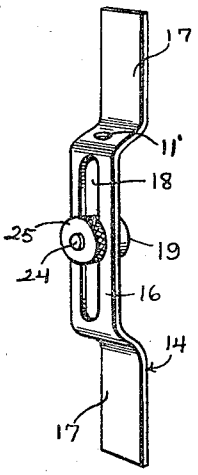


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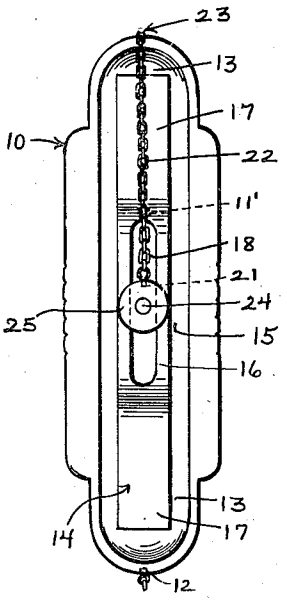


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This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in ear ornaments and has for its principal object the provision of an improved construction of this character which will be highly efficient in use and economical in manufacture.

Among the several objects of the invention is the provision of an ear ornament which may be suspended from the ear by passing the ear through a flexible chain or support, the chain having means for adjustment relative to the ornament whereby to snugly and safely support the ornament from the ear.

Other objects will appear hereinafter.

The invention consists in the novel combination and arrangement of parts to be hereinafter described and claimed.

The invention will be best understood by reference to the accompanying drawings showing the preferred form of construction, and in which:

Fig. 1 is an elevational view of a suggested form of ornament embodied in my ear ornament;

Fig. 2 is a side elevational view of the same;

Fig. 3 is an enlarged sectional detail view of the invention;

Fig. 4 is a perspective view of an adjustment element embodied in the invention; and

Fig. 5 is a rear view of the invention as viewed in Fig. 3.

The several objects of this invention are attained by the preferred form of construction illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which drawings I illustrate in Figs. 1 and 2 a suggested form of ornament 10. In this particular instance, the ornament 10 is formed of a narrow elongated stamping or casting including in its upper end portion an opening 11 and at its lower end portion a connecting hook 12. Secured to opposite corresponding surfaces 13 of the ornament 10, is a mounting plate 14. This plate 14 may be secured to the ornament 10 within the concave portion 15 thereof by any suitable means such as solder, welding or the like. This mounting plate 14 includes a medial portion 16 offset with respect to the opposite end portions 17 of the plate, and this medial portion 16 has formed therein an elongated slot 18. Movable longitudinally of the mounting plate 17 is an anchor block 19 having a reduced head portion 20 corresponding to the shape of the slot 18. This anchor block 19 is secured in any suitable manner, as at 21, to one end portion 22 of a chain or other flexible member 23. The opposite end portion of this chain or flexible member 23 is

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connected to the hook 12. The end portion 22 of the chain or flexible member 23 is passed through the opening 11 and through the opening 11' formed in the medial portion 16 as shown in Fig. 3. Extending from the head 20 is a stud 24 threaded to receive a lock nut 25.

The arrangement is such that the chain or flexible member 23 may be adjusted to snugly embrace the ear, and this is accomplished by adjusting the anchor block 19 relative to the medial portion 16. When in a proper adjusted position, the anchor block 19 is latched in adjusted position by the lock nut 25.

By the employment of such an arrangement the ornament 10 may be positioned in a proper relation with respect to the ear.

While I have illustrated and described the preferred form of construction for carrying my invention into effect, this is capable of variation and modification, without departing from the spirit of the invention. I, therefore, do not wish to be limited to the precise details of construction set forth, but desire to avail myself of such variations and modifications as come within the scope of the appended claims.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to protect by Letters Patent is:

1. An ear ornament comprising an ornamental plate, a flexible member having one end portion connected to one end of said plate, the opposite end portion of said flexible member being passed through an opening formed in said plate, means for adjustably connecting said opposite end portion of said flexible member in a predetermined adjusted position with respect to said plate, said means comprising an anchor bolt, a member for supporting said anchor bolt for adjustment relative to said ornamental plate, and a lock nut for latching said anchor bolt in a predetermined adjusted position with respect to said supporting means.

2. An earring comprising an ornamental member, a mounting plate carried by said member, a flexible member having one end portion connected to said member, the opposite end of said flexible member being passed through an opening formed in said member, means for adjustably connecting said opposite end portion of said flexible member to said mounting plate, said means comprising an anchor bolt carried by said mounting plate and a lock bolt for latching said anchor bolt in a predetermined position with respect to said mounting plate.

3. An earring comprising an ornamental mem-

ber, a mounting plate within said member, a flexible chain having one end portion connected to said member, the opposite end portion of said chain extending through an opening formed in said member and in said mounting plate, said mounting plate having a medial portion provided with an elongated slot, an anchor lug having a reduced head portion operable in said slot and having connection to said opposite end portion of said chain, a threaded stud extending from said head portion and a lock nut threaded on said head portion for latching said anchor lug in an adjusted position with respect to the medial portion tion of said mounting plate.

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