

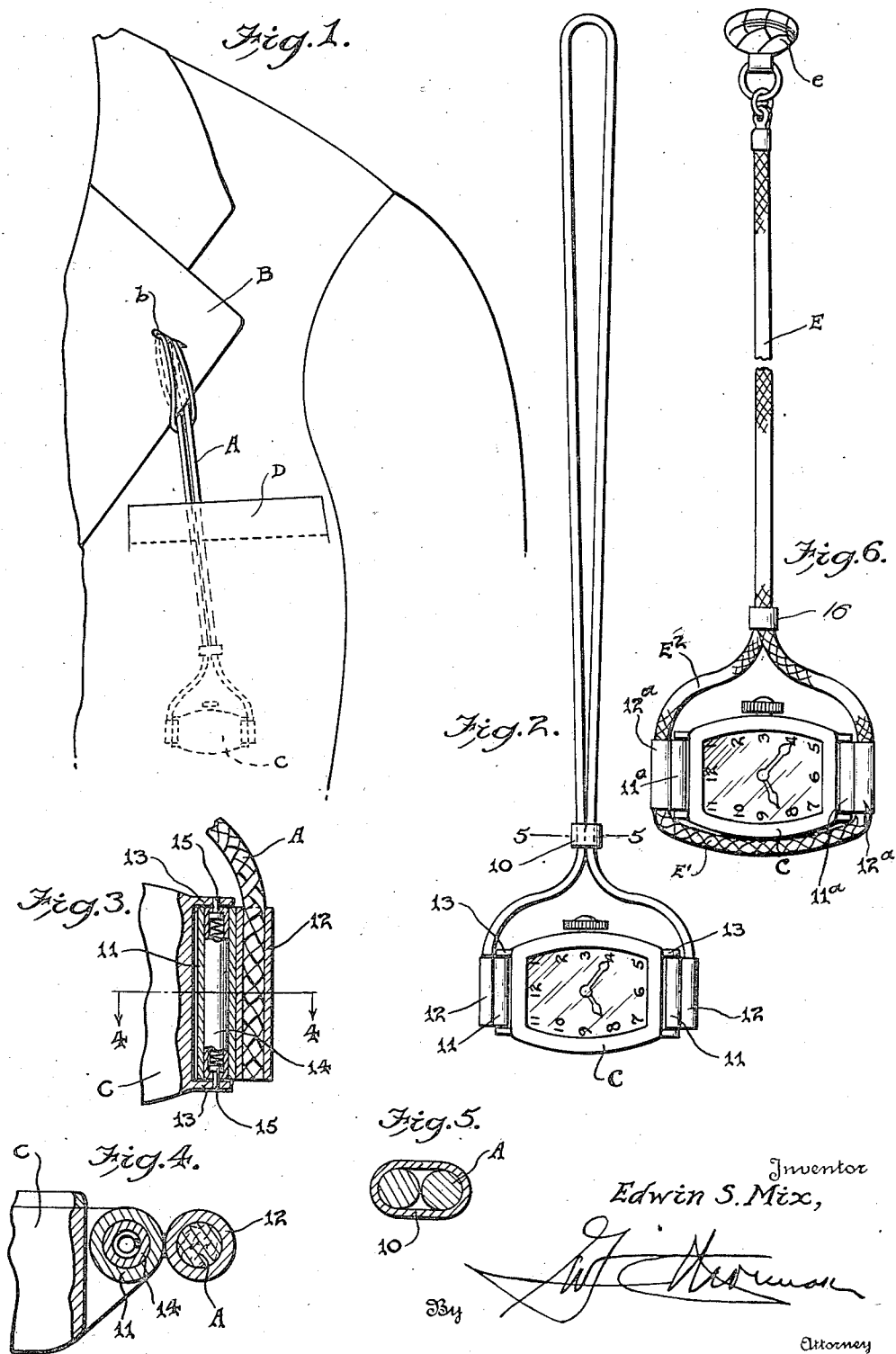
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The present invention relates generally to guards for watches, especially guards of that type connected at their upper ends through the buttonholes of coat lapels for watches carried in the upper outside coat pockets. The increasingly popular guards of this nature have up to the present been limited to use with pocket or bow watches, and it is the primary object of my invention to enlarge their use to include wrist watches.

I not only aim to permit of the ready use of wrist watches as pocket watches with guards of the above type, but it is a further object of my invention to provide a combined guard and wrist watch adapter therefor, that is a guard having as a permanent part thereof means readily attachable to the pintle or strap attaching bars of wrist watches.

It is well known that wrist watches, while varying in shape and ornamentation, are practically standard in respect to the spacing of their end lugs as well as the lengths of the pintle bars which extend between such lugs, and are commonly removably engaged therewith by spring-extended endwise projecting pintle pins projecting into openings in the lugs.

It is for the above reason that my invention proposes a guard which, for the purposes set forth, has a pair of diverging extensions at one end provided with wrist watch attaching means including a pair of rigid tubular members adapted to receive the pintle bars of a wrist watch.

These objects and the various other aims and resulting advantages of my invention clearly appear in the course of the following detailed description, referring to the accompanying drawing, which forms a part of this specification and in which,

Figure 1 is a partial front view illustrating the practical application of my invention.

Figure 2 is a front view of the two-strand guard of Figure 1 attached to a watch.

Figure 3 is a vertical sectional view through one end of the watch case and the guard attaching means.

Figure 4 is a detail horizontal section taken on line 4—4 of Figure 3.

Figure 5 is a detail cross section on line 5—5 of Figure 2, and

Figure 6 is a view similar to Figure 2 showing a single-strand guard with an upper button and a lower attached watch engaging portion.

Referring now to these figures and especially to Figure 1, I have shown a two-strand guard A whose upper bight end may be extended forward-

ly through the buttonhole *b* of a coat lapel B, whereby the watch C attached to the lower ends of the strands of guard A may be passed through the loop thus formed so as to complete a slip-loop connection with the lapel B, the watch C being carried in the upper outside coat pocket D.

For the purpose of attaching and carrying a wrist watch, the lower ends of the strands of the guard A, which may be brought together at any point by an adjustable band 10 therearound, are each provided with an attaching member consisting of a pair of parallel tubes 11 and 12 in one of which, tube 12, the lower end of the respective strand is securely anchored.

The tubes of each attaching member may be formed integral with one another from a single piece of material or may be attached to one another by soldering, brazing and the like. Furthermore while I have shown the two tubes of each attaching member of the same length, the length of the strand anchoring outside tube 12 is more or less immaterial while that of the inwardly offset tube 11 must be such as will permit the tube to be extended endwise between the end lugs 13 of the watch case and its inside diameter must be such as to receive the respective pintle bar 14.

It is obvious that upon removal of the two pintle bars 14 by inward pressure against the spring-extended pintle pins 15 which normally project endwise from the bars 14 into apertures of the case lugs 13, the tubes 11 of the two attaching members may be sleeved on the pintle bars and inserted between the end lugs 13 for connection by again letting the pintle pins 15 project into the lug apertures.

In Figure 6 an arrangement is shown in which although the above described connection with the watch is carried out in a similar manner and by similar means, the guard is in a single strand E. The upper end of this one strand guard carries a button *e* which may be projected forwardly through the buttonhole of a coat lapel to seat on the upper surface of the lapel. One of the attaching members, including tubes 11^a and 12^a is fixed either to the lower end of the strand E in the manner before described or to an intermediate portion thereof depending upon whether or not it is desired to have a portion E' of the strand extend below and along the case of the wrist watch. The other attaching member 11^a, 12^a is similarly secured to either a short strand E² secured at its upper end to the strand E above the watch case as by means of

a clamp 16, or said strand E² may be a continuation of the portion E'.

I have shown both guards as formed of plaited leather, but it is plain they may be formed of straps, fabric cord or other materials capable of presenting a pleasing, attractive appearance.

What is claimed is:

1. A watch guard having diverging flexible strand extensions at its lower end of a length for extension to the opposite sides of a wrist watch of the type provided with removable pintle bars at diametrically opposed points, each of said strands having at its free end a member formed to receive one of said pintle bars.

2. A watch guard having diverging flexible strand extensions at its lower end for connection with a wrist watch of the type having diametrically opposed end lugs and pintle bars between and in removable association with said end lugs, each of said strands having at its free end a tubular member said strands being of a length permitting the tubular members thereof to be positioned at diametrically opposite sides of the watch and around the pintle bars and between the end lugs thereof.

3. A watch guard having extensions at its lower end, each of said extensions having an attaching member consisting of parallel rigidly connected tubular portions in one of which the extension is anchored, the other tubular portion of each member being positionable between the pintle bar lugs of a wrist watch and around the removable pintle bar carried by said lugs.

4. A watch guard having extensions at its lower end, and attaching members for connection with a wrist watch of the type having spaced apart

end lugs and pintle bars removably in engagement with said end lugs, each of said attaching members consisting of a tubular portion in which the respective guard extension is anchored, and a second tubular member positionable around one of the pintle bars between the respective watch lugs.

5. A watch guard for a wrist watch of the type having diametrically opposed pintle bars, said guard consisting of a flexible member having flexible divergent extensions at its lower end of a length to position the ends of said extensions adjacent to the pintle bars, and means carried by the said ends of the extensions for engagement with the pintle bars.

6. A watch guard for a wrist watch of the type having diametrically opposed pintle bars, said guard consisting of a flexible suspension member having flexible divergent extensions at its lower end of a length to position the end portions of said extensions adjacent to said pintle bars, and means carried by, and paralleling, the said end portions for receiving the said pintle bars.

7. A watch guard for a wrist watch of the type having diametrically opposed pintle bars, said guard consisting of a flexible suspension member having similar divergent flexible extensions at its lower end of a combined length to position the ends of said extensions adjacent to the pintle bars of the watch, and means at the ends of said extensions to engage the pintle bars to support a watch in balanced relation at the lower end of the guard.

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