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Fig. 1.

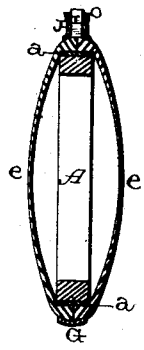
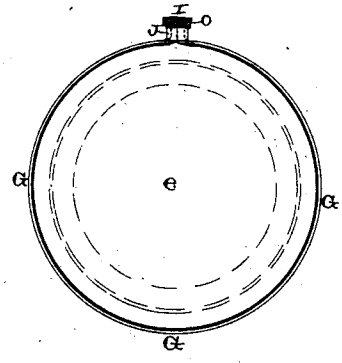


Fig. 2.



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WATCH-CASE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WELLINGTON K. KENNEDY, of Pleasant Mount, in the county of Wayne and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Watch-Cases; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in watch-cases; and it consists of a central part or ring made of metal and in which the works of the watch are to be placed, a rubber band which is applied around the edges of this ring, a glass case made in two parts and which fits tightly together, and a metallic band which extends around the edges of this glass case and which is provided with a stem, all of which will be more fully described hereinafter.

The object of this invention is to provide a watch-case in which the works of the watch are placed, and which, while it allows the works to be freely inspected from either side, is dust, air, and water proof.

Figure 1 is a vertical section of a watch-case embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same.

A represents a metallic ring or frame, inside of which the watch-works are to be placed. This frame will be made of metal or any other suitable material and will be of any desired thickness. Applied around the edge of this ring is a band or ring of soft rubber, *a*, which forms a packing-joint between the ring and the outer inclosing-case, *e*, which is made of glass. This case is made of two parts, and their edges are ground, so as to form a tight joint. Being made of glass, the works of the watch can be distinctly seen. In order to hold the two parts of the glass case together, a metallic concave band, G, is applied around the edges of the glass case. Formed as a part of this band is the stem I, which is divided at its center, and which forms a handle by which the case is to be handled. In order to hold this metallic frame around the case, a ring, J, is applied over the divided stem, and then a nut, O, is passed over the stem outside of the ring for the purpose of holding the parts tightly together.

A rubber band makes the case air, dust, and water proof, and the entire works of the watch, being inclosed in a glass case, can be freely inspected from either side without exposing them in any manner.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

In a watch-case, the combination of a metal ring in which the works of the watch are placed, the band or other packing which is applied around the edge of the ring, a glass case which incloses the ring, and a metallic band for holding the two parts of the glass frame together, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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