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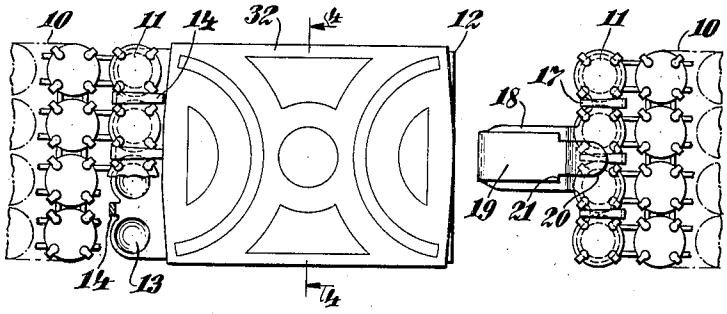


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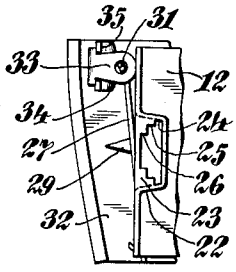


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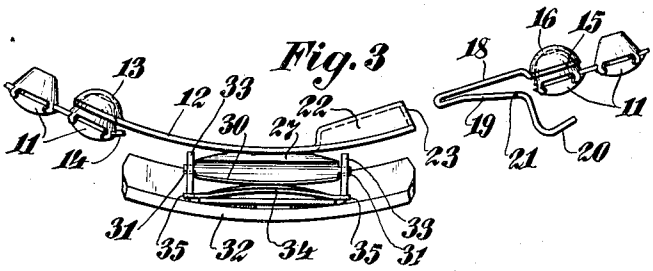


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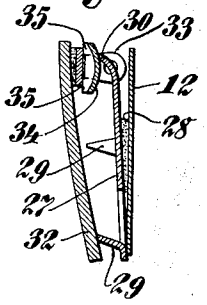


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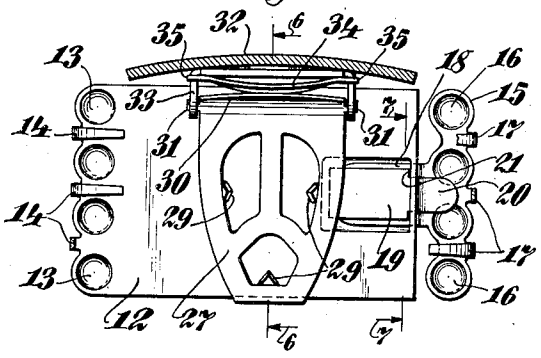


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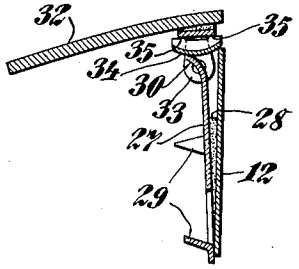
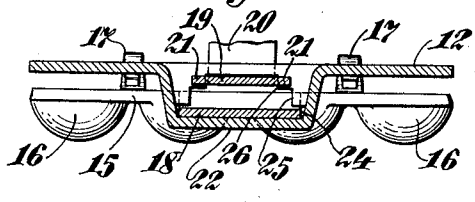


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1 Claim. (Cl. 24—73)

The present invention relates to bracelets, necklaces, belts, anklets and various forms of ornamental circlets in general.

Special objects of the invention are to provide a practical and desirable form of handkerchief and scarf holding clasp for articles of this type, which will hold securely without injuring delicate and fine fabrics; which will be attractive without being too expensive and which will be adjustable to suit various requirements.

The foregoing and other desirable objects are attained by the novel features of construction, combinations and relations of parts hereinafter described, illustrated in the accompanying drawing and broadly covered in the claim.

In the drawing, there is shown one practical embodiment, but it will be appreciated that structure may be modified and changed all within the true spirit and broad scope of the invention.

Fig. 1 is a broken front view of the end portions of a bracelet embodying the invention.

Fig. 2 is a broken end view of the clasp construction.

Fig. 3 is a broken top view of the parts shown in Fig. 1.

Fig. 4 is a transverse sectional detail as on line 4—4 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 5 is a face view of the clasp structure with the outer jaw raised and appearing in section to show the spring mechanism beneath the same.

Fig. 6 is a transverse sectional view as on line 6—6 of Fig. 5.

Fig. 7 is a broken enlarged sectional detail of the spring catch structure as on line 7—7 of Fig. 5.

In Figs. 1 and 2, the end portions of a mesh-work band 10, are indicated, the same composed of longitudinally connected transverse rows of rhinestones or like ornaments 11.

The end portions of this band are releasably connected by a clasp shown here as a back plate 12, to which one end of the band is attached and an operating spring catch connected with the other end of the band.

The ends of the band are connected with these parts in an adjustable or changeable manner, so that the length of the band may be readily regulated to suit the wearer. This mode of connection involves providing the back plate 12, at one end with a transverse row of depressions 13, to receive the end transverse row of ornamental stones or other mesh-work and in providing the extreme end of the plate in line with the intervening spaces between these depressions with prongs 14, which will pass through the mesh-work and can be bent over the face of the plate between adjoining stones, to thus firmly secure the latter in the depressions 13.

The catch similarly is composed of a bar-like element 15, having a transverse row of seats 16, to receive the end row of ornaments and prongs 17, between them to be bent over and secure such end row in place.

The catch proper is shown provided by a transverse tongue 18, projecting from the bar 15, and having a reduced extension 19, of the same bent back thereover and provided with an outwardly angled finger pressing portion 20. A reduced spring tongue portion 19 is shown as having shoulders 21, at the junction of this and the finger push portion 20.

A keeper for the spring catch is provided on the back plate by the formation of an integral depression 22, within the bounds of the latter, such depression providing a generally transverse connecting wall 23, near the end of the plate, having an opening therethrough, consisting of a portion 24, at the back, wide enough to receive the wider back portion 18 of the catch, a portion 25 of less width but sufficient to pass the spring tongue 19 and a third portion 26 of only sufficient width to pass the finger release portion 20. In the interlocked relation, the shoulders 21 of the catch engage the solid portions of the transverse wall 23, as in Figs. 5 and 7, to secure the catch in the keeper. Pressure upon the finger lug 20, however will carry the shoulders 21, into line with the intermediate wider portion 25, to permit escape of the catch from the keeper.

Secured over the face of the clasp plate 12, is shown a mounting or supporting member 27, secured thereto as by solder connection 28. This member is indicated as having a suitable number of handkerchief or scarf holding prongs 29. Also, this member is shown as having an outwardly angled upper edge 30 and endwise projecting hinge lugs 31.

For cooperating with the holding jaw formed by the back plate 12 and pronged member 27, there is provided an upper or outer jaw member shown in the form of an ornamental curved plate 32, having perforated ears 33, engaged over the endwise projecting hinge lugs 31.

For holding the outer clasp element 32, in open or closed relation and for snapping it from one position to the other, there is provided in the illustration, a bowed spring 34, interposed between and having notched ends 35 hooked about the perforated hinge lugs 33, of the outer clasp ele-

ment and thereby held in position to ride over the curved rigid flange **30**, as a cam.

What is claimed is:

In combination, a band, a separable fastener for the ends of said band, comprising a plate secured at one end to one end of the band and having a keeper at the opposite end, a spring catch secured to the opposite end of the band and releasably engageable with said keeper on said opposite end of said plate, a mounting plate secured over the face of said first plate between the ends of the same and having spaced projecting hinge lugs at one side of said first plate and a projecting cam flange between said hinge lugs, an ornamental clasp plate having spaced rearwardly projecting hinge lugs pivotally engaged with said hinge lugs of the mounting plate, a bowed spring engaged between said rearwardly projecting hinge lugs and riding over said cam flange of the mounting plate, said ornamental clasp plate having a movement over the face of said mounting plate and the latter having a projection or projections cooperable with the back of the ornamental clasp plate for releasably retaining a handkerchief, scarf or the like.

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