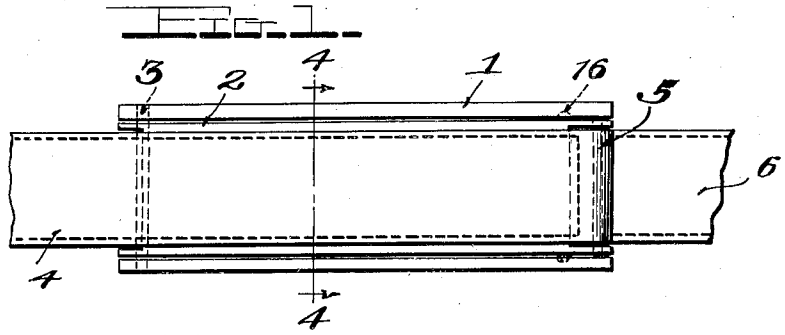
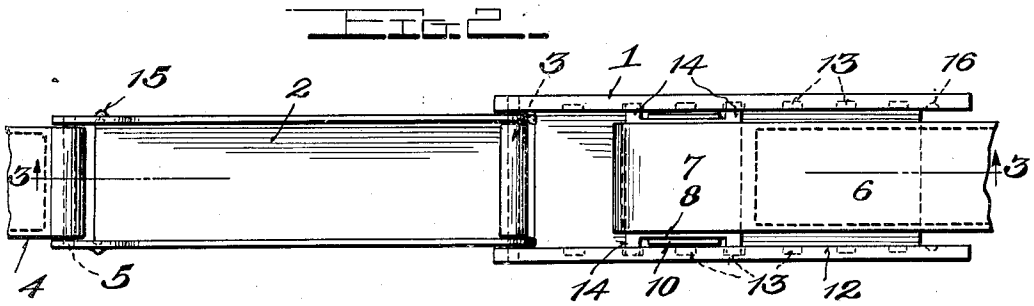
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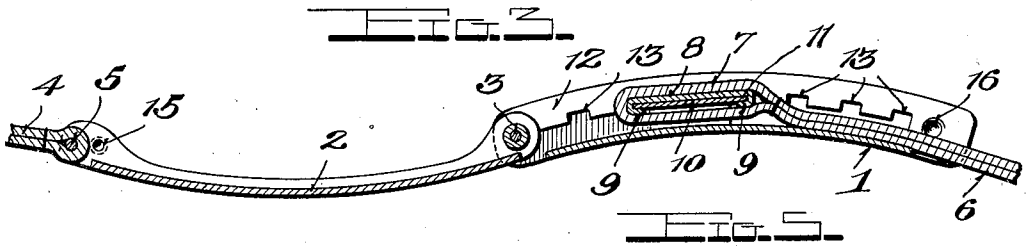
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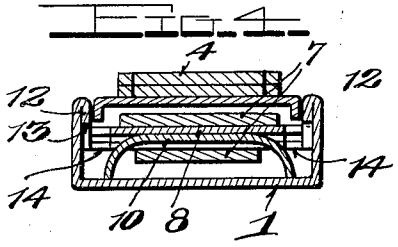
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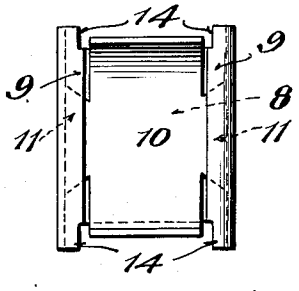
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WRIST-WATCH BRACELET.

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This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in wrist watch bracelets and pertains more particularly to that type of bracelet which can be instantaneously lengthened without disconnecting the bracelet sections so as to lengthen the bracelet for purposes of easy and quick removal.

The primary object of the invention is to provide novel and improved means which can be easily and quickly operated for the purpose of adjusting the bracelet to different sizes of wrists.

In the drawings:—

Fig. 1 is a plan view of the invention showing the parts in contracted position;

Fig. 2 is a like view showing the parts in extended position,

Fig. 3 is a section on line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

Fig. 4 is a section on line 4—4 of Fig. 1 and

Fig. 5 is a detail view of the adjustable latch.

In proceeding in accordance with the present invention a pair of members 1 and 2 are employed which are hinged together at 3 so that the members can be received one within the other as shown in Fig. 1. The member 2 has one end of a strap 4 affixed thereto at 5, while the other strap 6 is provided with a loop 7 within which latter the improved latch of the present invention is secured. The latch is composed of an approximately H-shaped base 8, the sides of which are rolled inwardly at 9 for the purpose of clampingly securing a curved spring 10 in position, the spring having side wings 11 which are gripped by the flanges 9. The member 1 has turned over side flanges 12 which latter are formed on their free edges with a series of spaced notches 13 which provide keepers that are formed to receive the ends 14 of the latch. The free ends of the spring 10 as shown in Fig. 4 of the drawings, engage and slide upon the bottom of the member 1 and tend to urge the latch outwardly so as to cause the ends 14 thereof to normally lie within the notches 13.

In operation, in order to adjust the strap 6 so as to lengthen or shorten the bracelet to fit a particular size of the wrist, with the parts 1 and 2 in the position of Fig. 1, it will be seen that by opening the structure as in Figs. 2 and 3, and pressing down on the latch, the spring 10 will be depressed and therewith move ends 14 out of the notches 13, whereupon the latch can be slid in the desired direction and upon release of the spring will contract and move the latch outwardly to cause the ends 14 to again engage in the adjacent notches 13.

The members 1 and 2 are provided with the usual male and female latch members 15 and 16 so as to hold the members in closed position.

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

1. In a device of the type set forth, a pair of hinged members, a strap connected to one member, the other member having a base and turned over side flanges the free edges of which flanges are formed with spaced series of notches, a second strap, and a latch secured to the second strap and comprising a substantially H-shaped member the ends of which are engageable in predetermined notches of the series, and a curved spring having its ends engaged with the base of said other member and having side wings, the sides of the H-shaped member being turned over to secure the wings thereto.

2. In a device of the type set forth, a pair of hinged members, a strap connected to one member, the other member having a base and turned over side flanges, the free edges of which flanges are formed with spaced series of notches, a second strap, and a latch secured to the second strap and comprising a substantially H-shaped member, the ends of which are engageable in predetermined notches of the series, a curved spring having its ends engaged with the base of said other members and means to secure the spring to the H-shaped member.

3. In a device of the type set forth, a pair of hinged members, one of the members having a base and a series of spaced keepers on each side of the base, a strap carrying latch having parts normally engaging in the keepers, means to yieldingly mount the latch for movement toward and away from the base in a plane at right angles to the plane of the base so as to release said latch parts from the keepers upon movement of the latch toward the base, and a strap connected to the other member.

4. In a fastener, a member having a base, strap carrying latch means movable in a plane at right angles to the plane of the base, two spaced series of keeper means car-

ried by the member and engageable with the latch means, yieldable means engaged with the latch means and with the base for holding said latch means in engagement with the keeper means, the space between the two series of keeper means affording an opening for the insertion of the finger of the operator in order to depress the latch means toward the base thereby to disengage the latch means from the keeper means, and means to connect a strap to the member.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification.

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