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Fig. 1

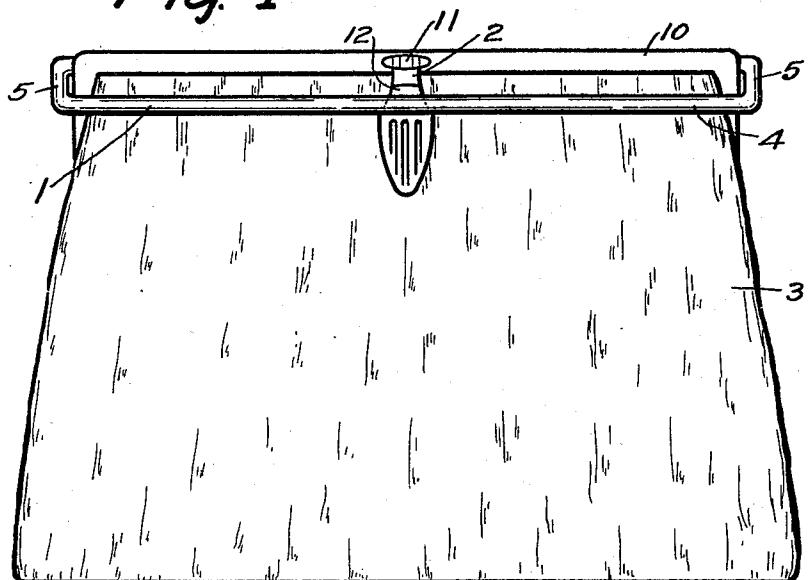


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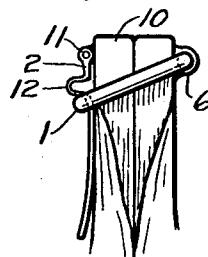


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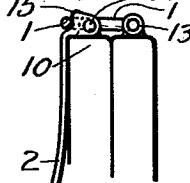


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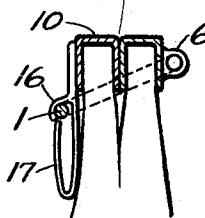


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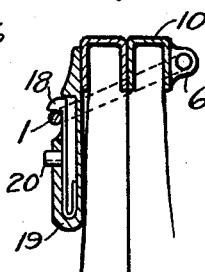


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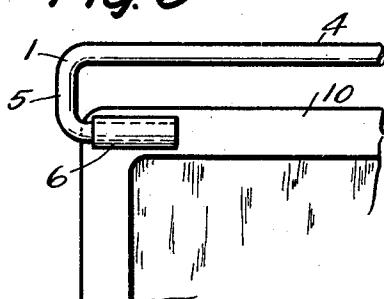
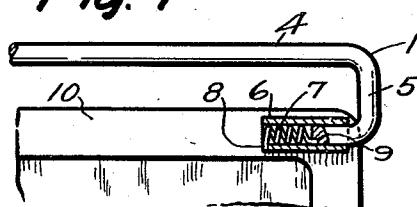


Fig. 7



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## LIFT ROD HAND BAG LOCK

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The invention is a clasp for hand bags or the like which forms a positive lock and in which all of the parts are on the exterior of the bag and exposed.

5 The object of the invention is to provide an exposed clasp for hand bags or the like which forms a positive lock until it is manually released.

Another object is to provide a hand bag 10 lock in which the locking member is attached to one side of the frame and encircles the other side so that it will hold even though the clasp may release.

Another object is to provide a hand bag 15 clasp which is formed on the exterior of the bag and which is ornamental.

A further object is to provide a hand bag clasp in which the holding member is raised to release the clasp.

20 And a still further object of the invention is to provide a positive locking and exposed clasp for hand bags or the like which is of a simple and economical construction.

With these ends in view the invention embodies a rod pivotally attached to one side of the frame of a hand bag and adapted to be placed over the other side and a clasp for locking said rod in the position of holding the bag closed.

30 Other features and advantages of the invention will appear from the following description taken in connection with the drawings, wherein:

35 Figure 1 is a view showing a side elevation of the hand bag with the rod held in the clasp.

Figure 2 is an end elevation showing the upper edge of the hand bag with the locking members as shown in Figure 1.

40 Figure 3 is a similar view showing an alternate arrangement in which the locking members are positioned upon the upper edge of the bag frame.

45 Figure 4 is also a similar view showing a cross section thru the bag frame and a clasp of an alternate design.

Figure 5 is a similar section showing a clasp of another alternate design.

50 Figure 6 is a view of one corner of the bag with parts omitted showing the reverse side

of the bag as shown in Figure 1, in which a plain bearing is used for attaching the rod to the bag frame.

Figure 7 is a similar view showing the opposite corner of the bag with parts omitted 55 and also showing the reverse side of the bag as shown in Figure 1, showing an alternate design in which a spring is used in the bearing for raising the rod as it is released from the clasp.

60 In the drawings the device is shown as it would be made wherein numeral 1 indicates the rod, numeral 2 the clasp, and numeral 3 a hand bag.

65 The rod 1 is shown as formed of a round piece of material, however it may be made of any shape and bent to any design. In the design shown it is made with a straight portion 4 with the ends 5 bent at right angles around the ends of the bag frame and held in bearings 6, as shown in Figure 6. Plain bearings may be used for the rod as shown in Figure 6 or the bearings may also be provided with springs 7 as shown in Figure 7 70 in which one end of the spring is held in a notch 8 in the bearing and the other in a notch 9 in the end of the rod 1 so that as soon as the rod is released from the clasp the springs will raise it upward over the upper edge of the bag frame. The springs may be used in both of the bearings, or in only one bearing, or may be omitted as shown in Figure 6 and the rod raised by hand. It will be understood that any other means may be used for raising the rod as it is released, or for snapping it over the bag frame, and the raising means may be located at any other point or points or arranged in any other manner.

75 The clasp 2, as shown in Figures 1 and 2, is hinged to the frame 10 of the hand bag at the point 11 and hangs downward as shown. This clasp is provided with a raised portion or lug 12 over which the rod snaps to the position, as shown in Figure 2, in which it is locked downward to hold the bag closed, and when it is desired to open the bag the clasp 90 may be raised by the lower end so that the rod will be snapped over the top of the bag. The rod may also be snapped or sprung over the lug 12 by hand if desired, and the lug 95

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may be formed in any other manner, or the clasp attached to the frame by any other means.

In the design shown in Figure 3 the rod is hinged upon the upper edge of the frame 10 in bearings 13, and the clasp is also positioned on the upper edge of the other part of the frame as shown at the point 14 and is hinged at this point so that the lower part of the clasp hangs downward at the side of the frame as shown. In this design the clasp 2 is provided with a lug 15 on the upper surface thereof over which the rod snaps as shown, and it will be noted that the clasp 15 may be raised to release the rod or the rod may be snapped over the lug as desired.

In the design shown in Figure 4 the clasp is formed with a hook member 16 under which the rod snaps, and a spring locking member 17 which locks the rod in the clasp and which may be pressed inward to permit the rod to be sprung out. This design provides an internal lock or locking socket and it will be understood that an internal lock or socket of any other design may be used.

The clasp shown in Figure 5 is formed with a spring lug 18 in a housing 19, and a button 20 is provided to press the lug 18 inward to release the rod. It will be understood that 30 a spring lug of any other type or design may be used, and it may be mounted in any other type of housing or clasp, and any other means may be used for operating the lug to release the rod. The lug may also be replaced by 35 any other means for holding the rod and the holding means may be held to the frame in any desired manner.

It will be understood that other changes may be made in the construction without departing from the spirit of the invention. One of which changes may be in use of the locking device with a bag of any other type or design, or with any other device. Another may be in the locating of any of the parts in 45 or upon any other position upon the bag, another may be in the use of any other holding means in place of the rod 1, another may be in the use of any other holding means in place of the clasp 2, and still another may be 50 in the use of any number of the clasps instead of only one as shown.

The construction will be readily understood from the foregoing description. In 55 use the parts may be provided as shown and the rod may be placed over the upper part of the bag frame and snapped in the clasp to close or lock the bag, and when it is desired to open the bag the clasp may be raised or the 60 rod released therefrom, and when springs are used in the bearings, the springs will raise the rod so that the bag may be opened or the rod may be raised by the clasp or by hand as desired.

65 Having thus fully described the invention

what we claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:

1. In a hand bag lock of the character described, a rod pivotally attached to one side of a bag and adapted to pass over and around the other, and a plate hinged on said other side of the bag with a projection for holding said rod, said plate adapted to be raised to release said rod. 70

2. A lock for hand bags or the like comprising a rod attached to one side of a bag frame and adapted to pass over and around the upper end of the other side, and means on said other side for holding said rod, said rod adapted to spring over said holding means. 75

3. A lock for hand bags or the like comprising a rod attached to one side of a bag and adapted to pass over and around the upper part of the other side and means on said other side for holding said rod, said holding means adapted to be raised to release said rod and said rod adapted to spring over said holding means. 80

4. In a hand bag lock of the character described, a rod pivotally attached to one side of a bag and adapted to pass over and around the upper part of the other side, means for resiliently raising said rod, and a clasp on the other side of the bag for holding said rod. 85

5. In a hand bag lock of the character described, a rod pivotally attached to one side of a bag and adapted to pass over and around the upper part of the other side, a spring positioned at the point at which the rod is pivotally attached for raising said rod, and a clasp on the other side of said bag for holding said rod with the bag closed. 90

6. In a hand bag holding device of the character described, a rod mounted on one side of the bag and adapted to pass over and around the upper part of the other side, bearings in which the rod is pivotally mounted, springs in said bearings for holding said rod upward, and a clasp on said other side of the bag for holding said rod. 100

7. In a hand bag locking device, a rod pivotally mounted on one side of a bag and adapted to pass over and around the upper edge of the bag, a clasp mounted on said other side of the bag, and a lug on said clasp for holding said rod, said rod adapted to spring over said rod to lock said bag. 110

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures. 120

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