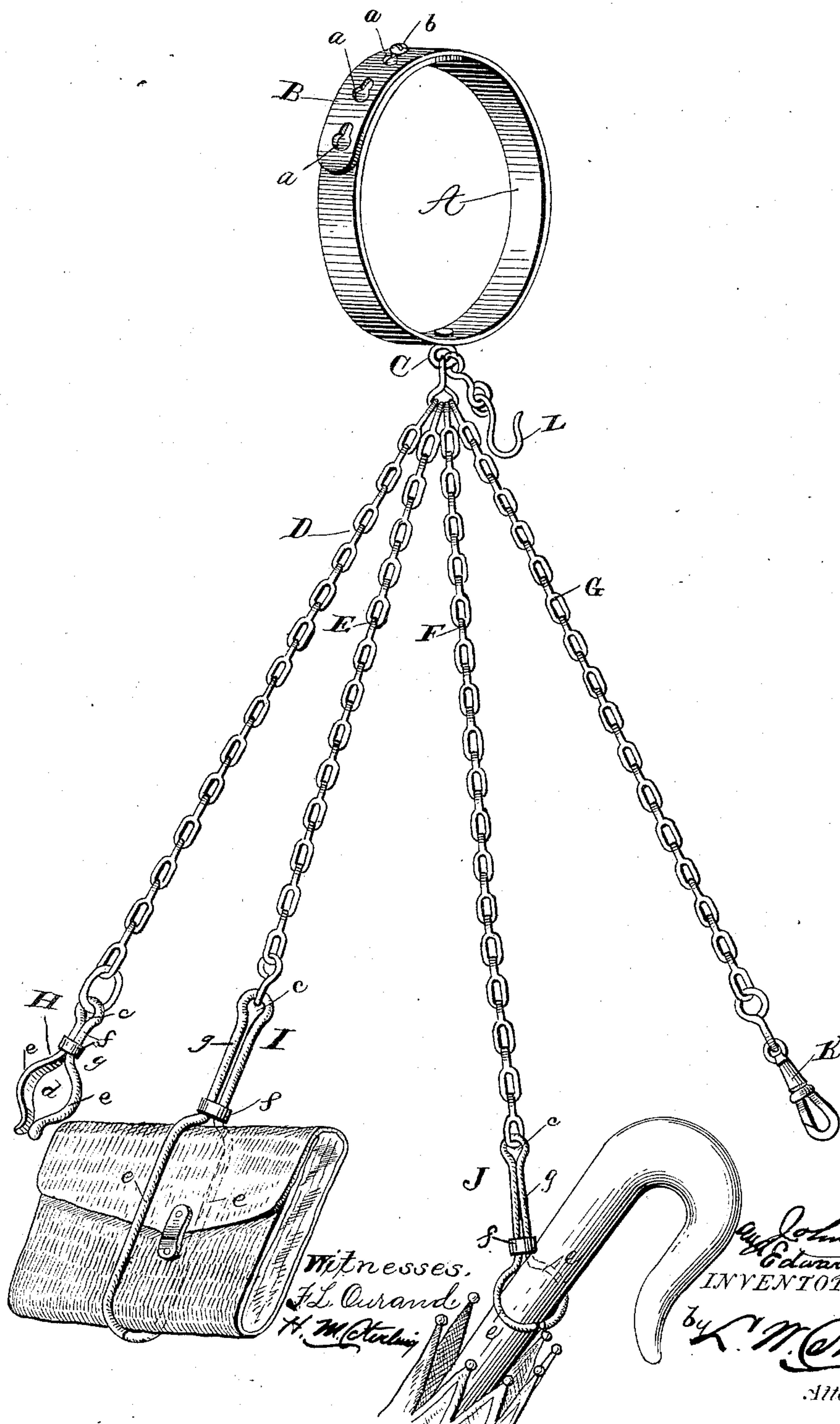


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, JOHN F. BOWIE and EDWARD STOLPE, citizens of the United States, residing at Washington, in the District of Columbia, have invented new and useful Improvements in Devices for Securing Pocket-Books, Umbrellas, Gloves, &c.; and we do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of said invention, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

Our invention relates to new and useful improvements in devices for securing garments, and is especially designed for attachment to those loose articles of apparel, such as gloves, pocket-books, umbrellas, &c.

The object of the invention is to provide a supporting device to be worn by a lady or gentlemen when shopping, traveling, &c., which can be easily attached to the wrist without incommoding the wearer, and be ready at any time to be attached to such loose articles as gloves, umbrellas, pocket-books, &c., thereby providing against the loss of such articles.

The invention consists in providing a suitable bracelet or wristband with several chains, and providing each chain with a clamp or holding device to suit the form and nature of the articles which are designed to be secured; and the invention further consists in certain novel features in the arrangement and construction of parts, all as hereinafter described.

In the accompanying drawing a perspective of the device is shown with the two inner attaching-chains applied to a pocket-book and handle of an umbrella, respectively.

The wristband or bracelet A is preferably formed of a strip of elastic material bent into the form of a ring with one end overlapping the other for a short distance. The overlapping end B is provided with the slots *a*, adapted to receive the headed pin *b*, to form a fastening for the bracelet and also admit of the adjustment of the same to wrists of different sizes.

On the under side of the bracelet A is provided a swivel-eye C for permitting the chains D, E, F, and G, which are secured thereto, to have a free movement.

The form of clasp or holding device provided on the ends of the several chains differs according to the nature and form of the articles for which the device is designed for attachment.

The holder or clamp H on the chain D being for the purpose of securing the gloves is made somewhat shorter than the other clamps, but, like them, is constructed in the same manner, being formed by bending double a suitable piece of metal in such manner as to form an eye *c* at one end, a neck for the sliding ring, and the clamping portion, which is operated by sliding the ring toward the holding portion.

The two arms *e* of the clamping device form a nearly circular opening *d*, and after coming nearly together flare outward to form a guide by which the gloves can be drawn into opening *d* and held by the arms *e* when in position by forcing the ring *f* down on the neck *g*, which operation does the clamping. The arms *e* of the device I for holding the pocket-book are made comparatively long, and when brought together by moving the ring *f* downward have the appearance of an elongated link. In the clamp J for holding the umbrella or cane the arms *e* form two half-circles, which when brought together around the stick of the umbrella form a complete ring and hold the article effectually.

The other chain G is provided with a hook K by which the fan or any other suitable article can be fastened.

We have also provided the swivel-eye C with a hook L, and when the several chains are not in use they are looped up out of the way upon the hook, causing no inconvenience whatever.

Having now described our invention, what we claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A device for securing such loose articles of apparel as gloves, pocket-books, umbrellas,

&c., comprising a bracelet provided with several chains depending from a swivel-eye, each of said chains being provided on its free end with a clamping device suited to the nature  
5 and shape of the article to be clamped therein, the said swivel-eye being also provided with a hook, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures in the presence of two subscribing witnesses. 10

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