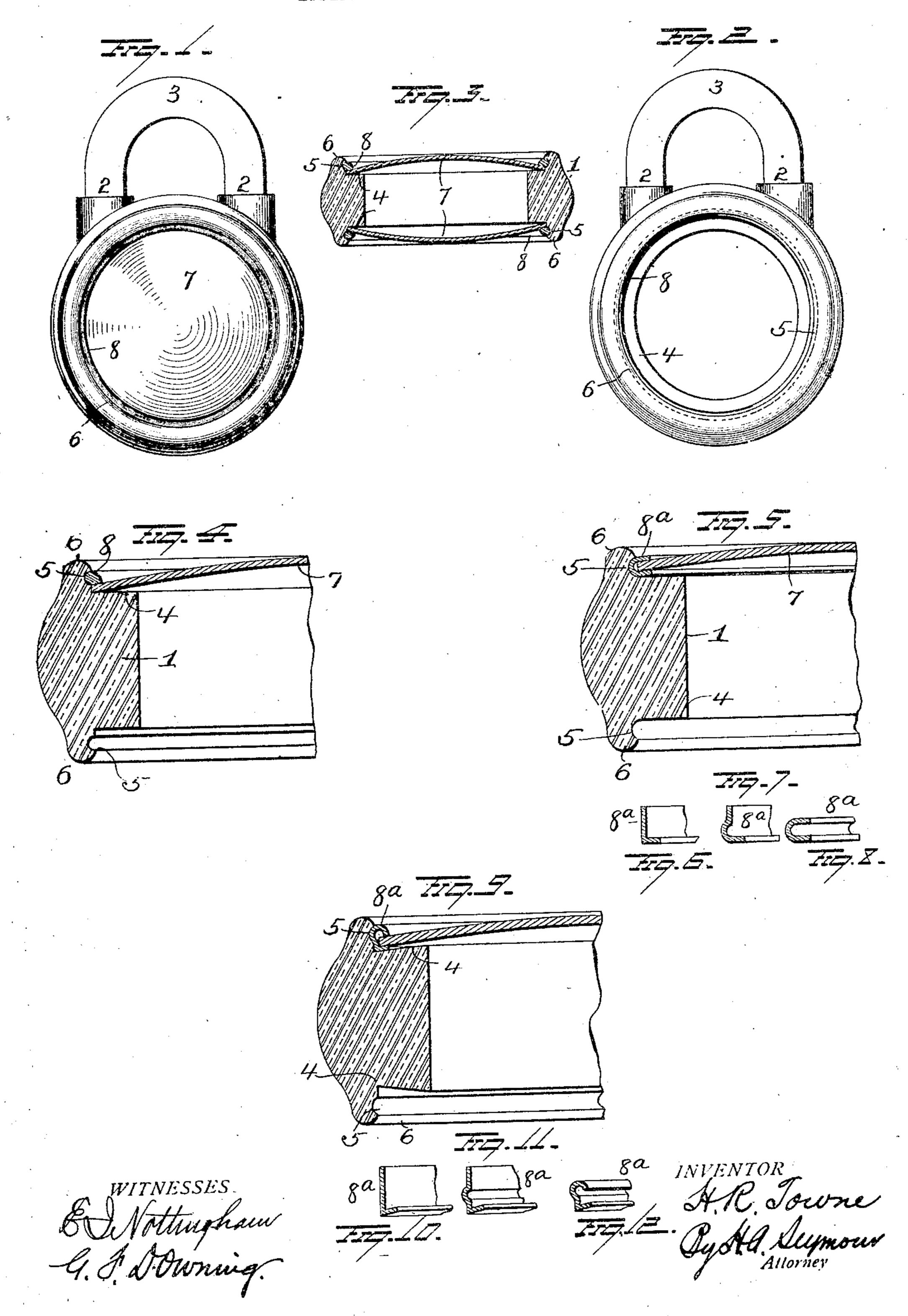
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To all whom it may concern:

New York, in the county of New York and | tending around the casing, and with an an-State of New York, have invented certain 5 new and useful Improvements in Lock-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 appertains to make and use 10 the same.

My invention relates to an improvement in lock cases, and is designed more particularly as an improvement on the construction disclosed in my pending application No. 367,005

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In my pending application I have shown a padlock the case of which is composed of a body open at both sides and two concavo convex face plates, the body having seats and 20 undercut shoulders and the face plates resting on the seats with their edges under the shoulders, the face plates being forced into such position by pressure applied to the outer convex faces of the plates.

25 My present invention consists in providing the lock case with a seat, and an annular recess adjacent to the owner edge of the seat, and securing the face plate on the seat by bending or expanding a ring seated within 30 the annular recess, over the outer edge of the

face plate.

My invention further consists in the details of construction as will be more fully explained

and pointed out in the claims.

35 In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a view in elevation of a lock embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a view in elevation with one face plate removed. Fig. 3 is a sectional view through the lock. Fig. 4 is an enlarged 40 view in section through a portion of the casing and plate. Fig. 5 is a view of a modification. Figs. 6, 7 and 8 are views of the securing ring. Fig. 9 is a similar view of another modification, and Figs. 10, 11 and 12 are 45 views of the securing ring shown in Fig. 9.

1 represents a lock case, which in the present instance is in the form of a ring and provided in its peripheral edge with two openings for the reception of the shanks or ends 2 50 of the sliding and rotating shackle 3. One member of the shackle of this particular lock, is adapted to enter one opening and when locked rest with its free end therein, while the other is engaged by the locking mechanism.

the casing, and the open sides or faces of the Be it known that I, HENRY R. Towne, of | latter, are each provided with a flat seat 4 exnular recess 5 formed in the shoulder 6.

7 are concavo-convex face plates covering 60 the opposite faces of the lock. These plates 7 are each held in place by the metal rings 8 which latter are seated within the recesses 5 and overlap the edge of the plates. These rings may be secured in place before the face 65 plates are placed in position, or the face plates may be first seated and the rings 8

applied. When the rings 8 are applied in advance of the face plate they are expanded and forced 70 into the recesses 5. These rings may be sufficiently large to permit the face plates to be passed through onto the seats, and in such instances the face plates are secured by either expanding or spinning the ring so as to 75 cause it to overlap the edges of its face plate, or the latter may be secured in place by expanding or flattening the concavo-convex face plate. When the plate is secured by the method last above described, I prefer to 80. spin the ring 8 down onto the face plate so as to form a closed and water tight joint.

As previously explained the face plates may be placed on their seats and secured by forcing the rings into their seats and if de- 85. sired, then expanding or spinning the rings

down onto the face plates.

In the construction shown in Fig. 5, the ring 8ª employed is L-shape in cross section. This ring is placed in position on the seat 4, 90 and the lower portion thereof is expanded or bulged outwardly as shown in Fig. 7 so as to enter the recess and thus lock the ring to the case. After the ring has been thus applied the face plate is seated and locked by bend- 95 ing down the upper edge of the ring as shown in Figs. 5 and 8.

The construction shown in Figs. 9, 10, 11 and 12 is substantially the same as that shown in Fig. 5, except that the recess 5 is 100 some distance Temoved from the seat 4. In both instances, the rings are locked in place by expanding a portion of the ring into the seat.

It is evident that many slight changes 105 might be resorted to in the relative arrangement of parts shown and described without departing from the spirit and scope of my invention hence I would have it understood The locking mechanism is located within | that I do not wish to confine myself to the 110 exact construction shown and described, but,

Having fully described my invention what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters-Patent, is:—

1. A lock comprising a casing having a recessed shoulder, a face plate the edge of which rests adjacent to the said shoulder and a shouldered ring seated in the recess in said shoulder and overlapping the edge of the face plate.

2. A lock comprising a casing having a seat, a recessed shoulder, a face plate, and a ring seated in the recess in the shoulder and overlapping the edge of the face plate.

In testimony whereof, I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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