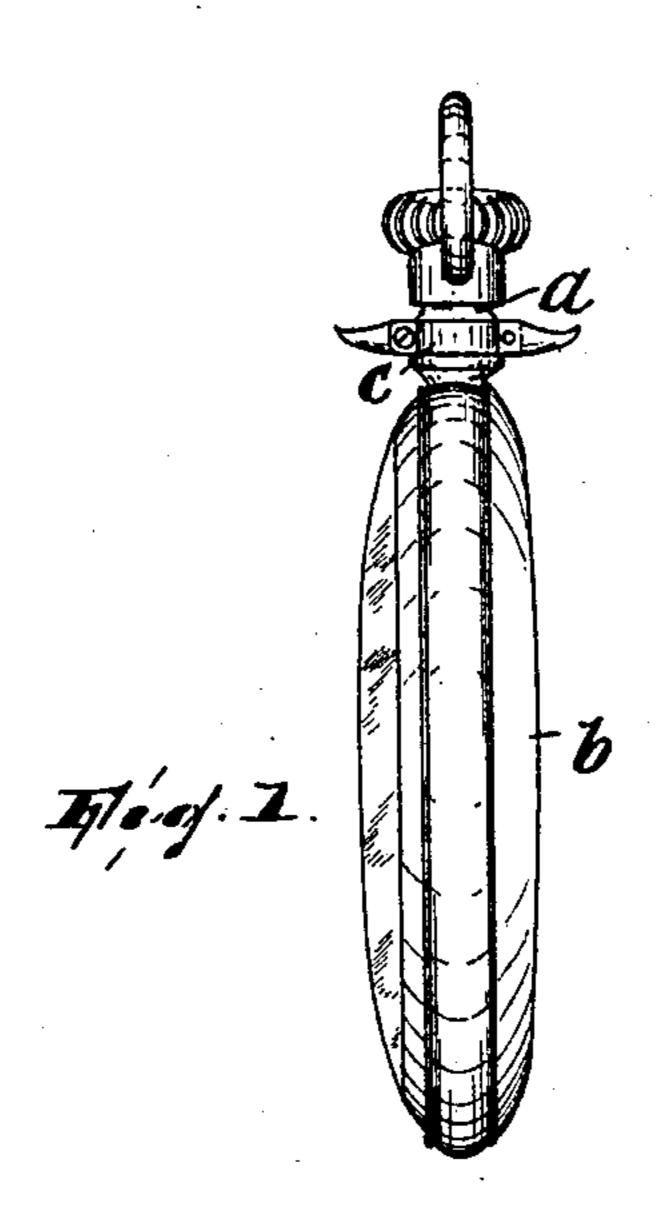
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Horace N. Bolton, a citizen of the United States, residing in Paterson, Passaic county, New Jersey, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Watch-Guards; 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 the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to devices for preventing watches from being withdrawn or accidentally falling from the pocket, and it has for its object to provide a simple and effective device of this nature capable of being manufactured at the minimum of cost.

The invention will be found fully illustrated in the accompanying drawing, wherein,

Figure 1 is a side view of a watch provided with my improved watch-guard; and, Fig. 2 is a plan view of the device enlarged and detached from the watch.

In said drawing, a designates the stem of the watch b and c the improved device attached thereto in the manner hereinafter 30 stated.

In order to form the device, I provide two metallic pieces d substantially similar in construction, that is to say, each piece comprising the semi-circular band portion e and the spur f, said spur being a radial projection from the end of the band and being preferably round in cross-section except adjacent the band, where it is flat on both faces, as at g, and said piece also comprising the lug h which stands slightly out of alinement with the spur, that is in a chord of the circle of which the semi-circular portion e forms an arc.

The parts of the device are assembled in the manner shown in Fig. 2, one lug h lying against the flat portion of the other spur f,

and in this arrangement are secured to the stem a of the watch by means of the screws i each of which is extended through one spur and the corresponding lug. The diameter 50 of the band should be slightly less than that of the smallest watch-stem it is possible it may be fitted to, so that it may be clamped securely by means of the screws to various sizes of watch stems.

The spurs are turned slightly upwardly at their ends so that when the watch is in the pocket they will of themselves take a firm hold on the lining of the pocket. In order to remove the watch from the pocket 60 it is necessary to place the thumb and fore-finger against the back and front of the pocket and over the ends of the spurs so as to sheathe the spurs while the watch is being withdrawn; unless the spurs are sheathed in 65 this manner, they engage the pocket lining and hold the watch firmly against withdrawal.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to 70 secure by Letters Patent is:

1. A watch guard comprising two semicircular pieces formed each with an outwardly projecting spur at one end, and means for securing said pieces with their 75 spurs projecting oppositely around the stem of a watch, substantially as described.

2. A watch guard comprising two semicircular pieces formed each with an outwardly projecting spur at one end and an 80 outwardly projecting lug at the other end, and means for securing said pieces together in the form of a band with the lug of one lying face to face with respect to the spur of the other, substantially as described.

In testimony, that I claim the foregoing, I have hereunto set my hand this 28th day of December 1907.

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Witnesses:

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