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Pocket-Book Frame.

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Fig. 1



Fig. 2. x

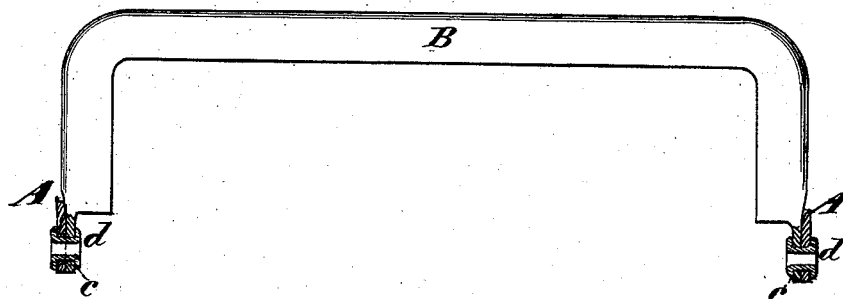


Fig. 3.

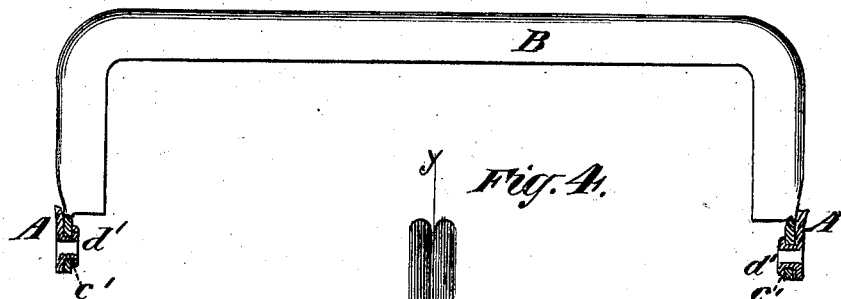


Fig. 4.



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IMPROVEMENT IN POCKET-BOOK FRAMES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES BLUST, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented an Improvement in Frames of Pocket-Books, Porte-Monnaies, Bags, Satchels, &c.; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.

My invention relates to the hinges of such frames, or the hinge-joints by which the separately-formed parts of the frame are attached to each other.

Hitherto the hinge-joints of such frames have been made by inserting solid rivets either through holes punched in the meeting ends of the separately-formed parts, or through loops formed on said meeting ends of said separately-formed parts.

My improvement can be carried out in the regular manufacture of such frames at a cost very much less than that required for making the hinge-joints with solid rivets, as above set forth, and at the same time an easy-working and more durable hinge-joint is secured, which is susceptible of a higher finish, and gives a more elegant appearance to the frames than is possible with the old style of joint. The principal object of the invention is, however, economy in the manufacture of the frames, as in the present state of the art any improvement which results in a saving of even seven or eight cents per gross is of importance.

Figure 1 in the drawings is an end view of a finished pocket-book frame. Fig. 2 is a side view of the same, with sectional views of the hinge-joints. Fig. 3 is a side view of a frame, with sectional view of the hinge-joints thereof, illustrating a modified method of carrying out my invention; and Fig. 4 is an end view of the frame shown in Fig. 3.

A and B are the separately-formed parts of the frame, hinged together, as hereinafter described.

In one way of carrying out my invention, I punch holes *c c* in the overlapping ends of the aforesaid parts A B, and attach them together by means of the eyelets *d*, which are passed through the said holes, and then have their ends expanded and spread over the meeting ends of the hinged parts, to hold them together; or the said eyelets may each have one end expanded, to form a head, previous to insertion, and then have their other ends expanded and spread, to form a head for the permanent joining of the parts A B, after the manner of an eyelet. The said eyelets are very cheaply made by machinery, and the work of inserting them is much less than the insertion of solid rivets, and the heading of said rivets when so inserted.

In another way of carrying out the invention, I form the eyelets out of the metal of one of the separately-formed parts of the frames. For example, in Fig. 3, *d'* represents such eyelet formed out of and continuous with the metal in said part A. Said eyelets are passed through holes *c'*, formed in the part B, and then the free ends of said pivots are expanded and spread, as hereinbefore described, to form a head and permanently join the said parts, leaving a smooth outer surface to the joint, as shown in Fig. 4.

I claim—

The combination, with the separately-formed parts A B of the frame of a pocket-book, portemonnaie, bag, or satchel, of eyelets for joining said parts, and hinging them together, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony whereof I hereunto sign my name in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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