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Fig. 1.

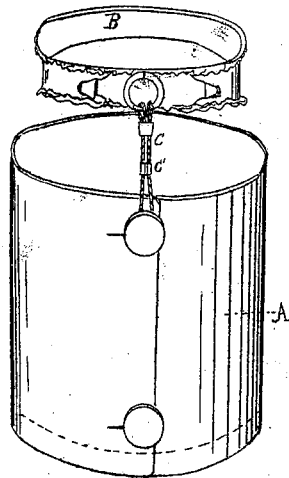
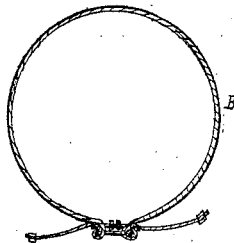


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN WRISTBANDS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, P. TENNEY GATES, of Plattsburg, in the county of Clinton and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Detached Reversible Wristband; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved wristband, and showing the elastic loop and band by which it is attached to the arm. Fig 2 is a section taken through the center of the elastic band.

My invention has for its object to furnish a cuff or wristband wholly detached from the shirt or other garment, which is also reversible, being capable of being worn either end downward, and which is adjustably attached to the arm by an elastic band and loop; and it consists, first, of a cuff or wristband; and, second, of the combination, with the wristband, of an elastic band and loop, the whole being constructed and arranged as hereinafter more fully described.

A is the body of the cuff or wristband. This should be of about the same size at both ends, and both the side edges should be finished as the lower edges of wristbands are now ordinarily finished, so that it may be worn with either end toward the hand with equal facility.

The wristband A should be of such a size that it will easily pass over the hand when closed or buttoned, and it may be closed by having its ends sewed fast to each other, buttons being attached to it if desired; or the ends may be secured to each other by buttons, sleeve-buttons, studs, or by any of the ordinary ways in which wristbands are now commonly secured around the wrist. The wristband may be made of cloth, paper, or any other suitable material.

B is the elastic loop or strap by means of which the wristband A is adjusted and secured to the arm. The elastic band B may be made of a strip of ordinary elastic or its equivalent, and may have its ends secured by small metallic caps, as shown in the drawings,

or in any other convenient way, to prevent them from raveling. To render this band adjustable its two ends are passed up through two rings. They are then turned in opposite directions over the upper ring and passed under or through the lower ring and drawn through the rings until the size of the band has been adjusted to the size of the arm upon which it is designed to be worn. By slipping the rings close together the ends of the band are held firmly in place.

For the loop C, by which the cuff A is connected to the elastic band B, I prefer a piece of elastic cord, the two ends of which are passed around one of the rings that secure the ends of the band B, and are then secured together and to the body of the cord by a metallic clasp, as shown in Fig. 1; but other means may be used to accomplish the same result.

C is a small slide slipped upon the loop and designed to be pushed down toward the button of the wristband, around which the loop is passed to secure the said wristband from becoming accidentally detached.

The loop C may be connected to the rings of the band B by a metallic clasp passing around one of the rings and clamping the ends of the loop between the ends and turned-over edges of the said clasp. This latter method I prefer.

The elastic loop may be replaced by an elastic strap, if desired, the precise means of connection being immaterial so long as it is an elastic detachable connection between the elastic band B and the cuff, wristlet, or wristband A, which several names denote the same article.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A reversible wristband unattached to any other garment, constructed substantially as described, and for the purpose set forth.

2. A wristband pendent from an attachment on the arm, substantially as and for the purposed described.

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Witnesses:

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