

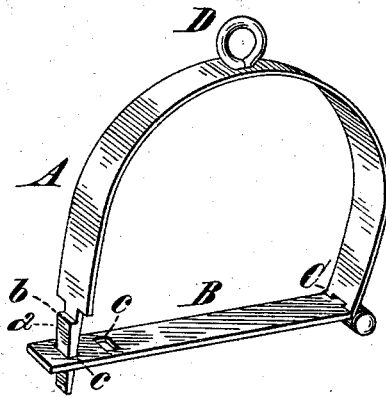
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES PETTIBONE, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Cincinnati, in the county of Hamilton and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Handcuffs, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an improved handcuff. It is designed for stage and mimic use. The object is to have it resemble a shackle and to be easily locked and slipped onto the wrist and quickly released for scenic effects.

It consists of a spring-yoke to encircle the wrist, one end of which is hinged to a transverse bar, and the other end being provided with a catch to connect with the hinged bar.

The accompanying drawing is a perspective view of my invention.

A represents the spring or yoke which encircles the wrist.

D represents an eye, to which a chain is attached to secure the two cuffs together.

B represents a bar, hinged at one end to one limb of the yoke A, C representing the hinge.

c c represent one or more slots pierced in the bar B.

a represents a tapered lug or tongue entering one of the slots *c*.

b represents a shoulder or catch on the outer side of the lug or tongue *a*.

The outward spring of the metal yoke A forces the catch or shoulder *b* outward on the under side of the bar B when the lug *a* is inserted in the slot *c*. The shackle is easily removed by pressing the end of tongue *a* inward and backward to unloose the catch *b*, when the bar B will swing back and allow the ready removal of the cuff.

I do not desire to limit myself to the particular kind of catch which unites one of the limbs of yoke A to the hinged bar B, as the form of catch engagement may be variously modified.

This article is very simple, cheap, and effective for the uses designed.

What I claim is—

A handcuff consisting essentially of the spring-yoke A, hinged to bar B, which is provided with one or more slots, *c*, to engage with a catch, *b*, on the opposite limb of the yoke A, substantially as herein set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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