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The screenshot displays the KOKAI website interface in a Microsoft Internet Explorer browser window. The page title is "Brevets Horlogers Japonais". The main content area shows a search result for patent JP 2002181968, titled "WATCH". The patent details include the inventor SEIKO EPSON CORP and HOSOKAWA NORIYU. The abstract describes a watch mechanism with a rotating bezel and a ring. Below the abstract, there is a technical drawing of a watch movement component. The interface also features a sidebar with navigation options like "Recherches d'informations" and "Services de veille".

1.2 Escapements
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1.3 Date Indicators
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