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Fig. 1.

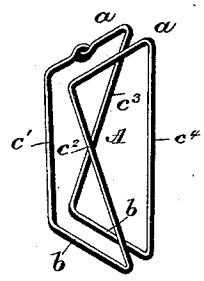
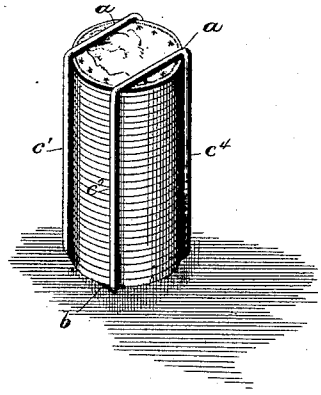


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SILAS H. LORING, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Holden, in the county of Worcester and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Coin-Holders; 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.

My invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in coin-holders, the object thereof being to provide a simple, cheap, and effective coin holder or cage made up of a single piece of wire, the ends of which are joined together, said wire being bent to provide parallel upper and lower members and four side members, which are adapted to bear against the edges of the coins and prevent displacement of the same when placed within the cage.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved coin-holder, and Fig. 2 is a view showing the same filled.

My improved coin-holder or coin-cage is made up of a single piece of wire, which is bent, as shown—that is to say, the upper and lower members *a a* and *b b* of the cage A are bent so as to lie parallel with each other, the upper pair being at right angles with the lower. The side members c', c^2, c^3, and c^4 are bent so that the members c' and c^2 will incline toward each other from the lower cross-bar or member *b*, while the members c^3 and c^4 are similarly bent. The members c', c^3, c^2, and c^4 form the upper cross-bars *a a*, thus forming triangles, the bases of which are oppositely disposed.

It will be evident that when it is desired to insert a coin in the cage it is only necessary to first place the same edgewise in the cage and then turn it to the proper position, which will cause the vertical bars of the cage to press against the periphery of the coin, and the top and bottom coins will be held in place by the side cross-bars, which remain parallel with each other. The ends of the wire are joined together in any suitable manner by brazing the parts or forming them into a loop.

I am aware that prior to my invention a coin-holder made up of a single piece of wire, having three vertical members and horizontal bent ends and intermediate portions, the ends of the wire being free to give the desired spring movement, is not new, and I do not claim such as my invention, one of the leading features of my device being to have the ends of the wire joined and provide the desired spring movement by bending the ends of the wires toward each other.

This device can be readily and cheaply manufactured, and though heretofore in the description I have referred to a continuous wire it is evident that the same may be made of a flat strip.

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

1. A cage or coin-holder formed of a single piece of wire, the ends of which are joined to each other, said wire or loop being bent upon itself to form at each end parallel members, the side or vertical members being bent to converge from the upper and lower cross-bars, substantially as set forth.

2. In a coin-holder made of a single piece of wire, the ends of which are joined to each other, said wire or loop being bent upon itself to provide parallel members *a a* and *b b*, which are disposed at right angles with each other, central connecting members c', c^2, c^3, and c^4, extending from the horizontal members, so that the two pairs of side wires will converge from the upper cross-bars to the lower cross-bars, thus providing yielding portions, whereby the cage or holder is adapted to exert spring-pressure upon the periphery of the coins and confine the same within the cage, substantially as shown, and for the purpose set forth.

3. A loop or holder for containing coins, made up of a single piece of wire, the ends of which are joined together, said wire being bent so as to provide parallel end portions *a a* and

b b, side members c', c^2, c^3, and c^4, extending from the upper parallel cross-bars, said loop being bent, as shown, so as to have a spring, the tendency of which is to throw the upper and lower members toward each other, substantially as shown, and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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