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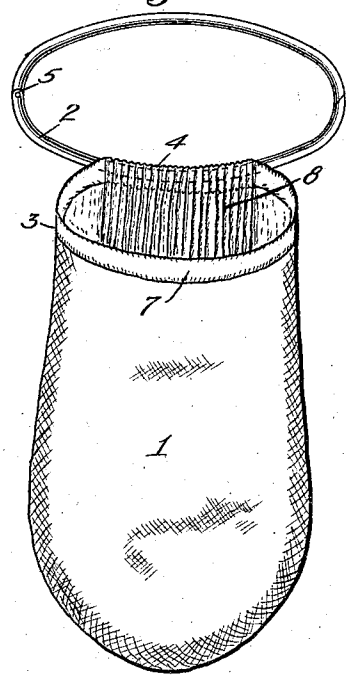

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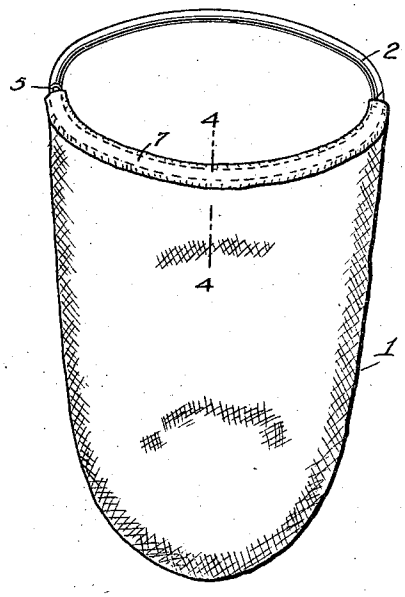

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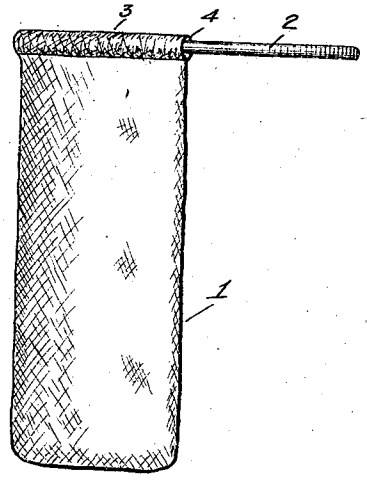

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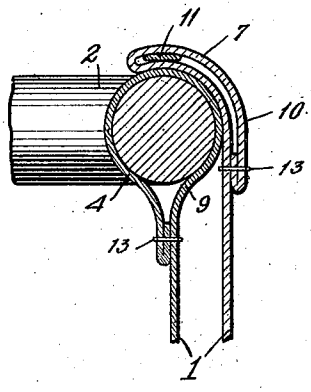

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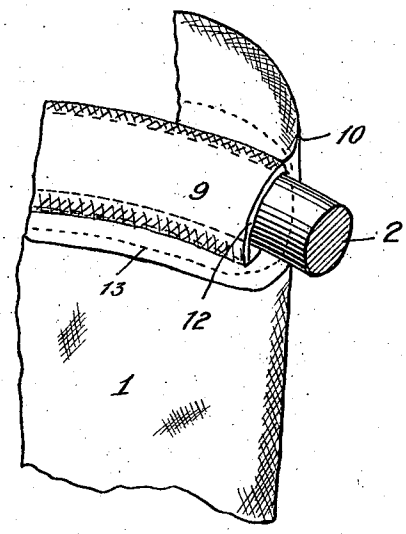

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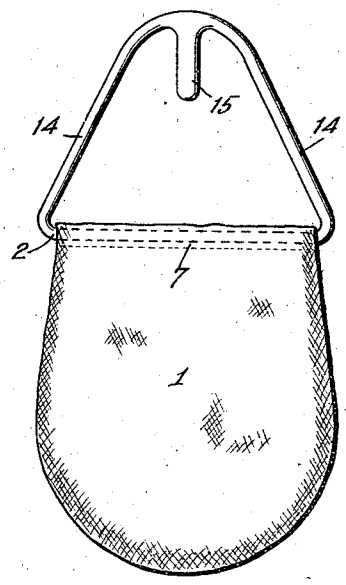

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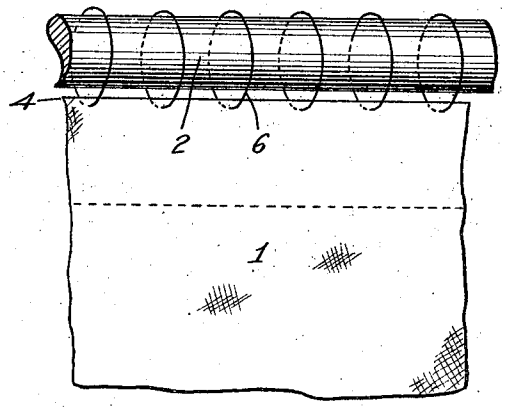

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, KATHERINE G. R. GOODLETT, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Kansas City, in the county of Jackson and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Coin-Pouches, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to bags, and particularly to the type of bags or pouches used for containing coins, &c., and carried or worn by the user.

An object of the invention is to provide a simple and efficient means and manner of opening and closing a bag or pouch of flexible material.

A further object of the invention is to combine with the bag a closing means, which also serves for securing the bag to the user.

In a preferred form a bracelet is employed as a runner member, and a portion of the rim at the mouth of the bag is slidably secured, as by a hem or loops of thread, to said bracelet. When the portion secured to the bracelet is puckered together, the pouch-bags open. When it is stretched along the bracelet, the edges of the mouth are drawn together and the bag is closed.

Reference should be had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, illustrating an embodiment of the same, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing an open pouch in combination with its runner member. Fig. 2 is a perspective view showing the pouch in combination with the runner member 1, but with the pouch closed. Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the pouch and runner member shown in Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is an enlarged sectional elevation along line 4 4 of Fig. 2. Fig. 5 is an enlarged perspective view in detail with parts broken away. Fig. 6 is a detail view with parts broken away and showing a modification, and Fig. 7 is a front elevation of a modification in which the runner member is straight.

Referring now more particularly to the drawings, 1 designates a pouch or bag formed of any suitable flexible material, such as textile fabric, knitted goods, interlocked chain-work, &c. This bag may be ornamented, if desired.

2 designates a stiff elongated runner member of suitable material, which may be metal, if desired. This runner member is preferably in the form of a torus, as shown in Figs. 1, 2, 3, and 5, and is illustrated as a bracelet to encircle the wrist of the user.

3 designates the rim at the open mouth of pouch 1, which may be suitably finished. A portion 4 of this rim is slidably secured to the runner member 2. A hem may be provided along this portion, so as to inclose the runner member. Of course the hem may be either formed about the runner, member or it may first be formed on the bag, and the runner member may be inserted therein, in which latter case it may be necessary to provide the bracelet 2 with a hinge 5 and clasp, as indicated in Fig. 1, or with other suitable means whereby the bracelet can be opened.

In some instances the portion 4 of the rim 3 may be secured to the runner member by metal rings or loops of thread or stitching or any suitable means, as indicated by 6 in Fig. 6. It is preferred that the portion 4 of the rim which is secured to the runner member 2 be one-half or more of the circumferential rim 3, so as to equal or exceed the unattached or free portion 7 of the rim 3. By collapsing the portion 4 or puckering the same, as indicated by 8 in Fig. 1, the free portion 7 of the rim gaps open, so as to give access to the interior of the pouch. To close the pouch, the portion 4 should be extended along the runner member, as shown in Fig. 2, when the free portion 7 of the rim is drawn snug up against the secured portion 4 so as to close the mouth of the bag. The frictional engagement of the portion 4 with the runner member 2 holds the pouch closed. When the runner member 2 is in the form of a bracelet, as shown, the upper free edge of the free portion 7 of the rim tends to lap over the portion 4, as indicated in Fig. 4.

9 illustrates the hem referred to and employed to secure the portion 4 about the runner member 2, while 10 shows a similar hem on the free portion 7, which may be provided as a finish to the pouch. If desired, some stiffening means of a resilient nature may be inserted within the free portion 7, as within the hem 10. This means is designated by 11. It may be a whalebone or spring means

of any kind. It would serve to hold the mouth of the pouch open when the parts are as shown in Fig. 1 and would also tend to hold the pouch closed when the parts are as shown in Fig. 2. It is to be understood that this stiffening means may be dispensed with, and yet the pouch open and close with satisfaction, as described.

Fig. 5 shows in detail the hem 9, which is provided with a slit or opening 12 to permit the entrance of the runner member 2. A similar opening is also provided at the other end of the hem 9. In this figure the hem 10 is really a continuation of the hem 9. The line of stitching 13, which secures these hems, may be unbroken, as shown.

It should be noted that the pouch 1 is secured to the runner member 2 so that the free portion 7 of this rim overlies the portion of the rim secured to the runner member. With this arrangement and with the runner member in the form of a bracelet the mouth of the pouch is readily accessible to the user.

Fig. 7 shows a modification in which the runner member 2 is straight, but provided with extensions 14, which may be secured by a hook or a similar means, (designated by 15.)

Of course, if desired, many forms of runner members may be employed, it merely being necessary that the runner member have a lineal extent sufficient to allow the portion 4 to be stretched along the same until the mouth of the pouch is closed.

This invention is also capable of being embodied in many other forms without departing from the scope set forth in the following claims.

What is claimed, and what is desired to be secured by Letters Patent, is—

1. In combination, a bag formed of flexible material and provided with an open mouth; a stiff elongated runner member; and means slidably engaging said runner member and securing a portion of the rim at the mouth of said bag to said member, so that the mouth of said bag may be closed or opened by a sliding movement of said means on said member.

2. In combination, a bag of textile fabric provided with an open mouth; a stiff elongated runner member; and means slidably engaging said runner member and securing a portion of the rim at the mouth of said bag to said member, said portion of the rim being puckered to allow the remaining portion of the rim to gap open; said puckered portion being extensible along said elongated member so as to take up the fullness of said gaping portion and close the mouth of the bag.

3. In combination, a bag formed of flexible material and provided with a circumferential rim at the mouth thereof; a stiff elongated runner member; means slidably securing one-half or more of said rim to said runner member; said bag capable of being opened by puckering the portion of said rim slidably secured to said runner member and capable of being closed by extending said portion secured to said runner member out along said member so as to cause the remaining portion of said rim to lie close against the portion secured to said runner member.

4. In combination, a wrist-bag comprising an open pouch of flexible material in combination with a bracelet forming a runner member; means slidably securing a portion of the rim at the mouth of said pouch to said bracelet; said portion of the rim secured to said bracelet being capable of being puckered so that the mouth of said pouch will open.

5. In combination, a bag formed of flexible material and provided with an open mouth; a stiff elongated runner member in the form of a torus; and means slidably engaging said runner member and securing a portion of the rim at the mouth of said bag to said member, so that the mouth of said bag may be closed or opened by a sliding movement of said means on said member.

6. In combination, a bag of textile fabric provided with an open mouth; a stiff elongated runner member in the form of a torus; and means slidably engaging said runner member and securing a portion of the rim at the mouth of said bag to said member, said portion of the rim being puckered to allow the remaining portion of the rim to gap open; said puckered portion being extensible along said elongated member so as to take up the fullness of said gaping portion and close the mouth of the bag.

7. In combination, a bag formed of flexible material and provided with a circumferential rim at the mouth thereof; a stiff elongated runner member in the form of a torus; means slidably securing one-half or more of said rim to said runner member; said bag capable of being opened by puckering the portion of said rim slidably secured to said runner member and capable of being closed by extending said portion secured to said runner member out along said member so as to cause the remaining portion of said rim to lie close against the portion secured to said runner member.

8. A combined supporting and closing means for a pouch, comprising a stiff runner member slidably secured to approximately one-half of the circumferential rim of said pouch.

9. A combined supporting and closing means for a pouch, comprising a stiff runner member in the form of a torus slidably secured to approximately one-half of the circumferential rim of said pouch.

10. In combination, a torus-shaped brace-

let; a pouch of flexible fabric; and means slidably securing a portion of the rim of said pouch to said bracelet, the remaining portion of said rim overlying said portion secured to said bracelet.

11. In combination, a torus-shaped bracelet; a pouch of flexible fabric; a portion of the circumferential rim of said pouch being hemmed about said bracelet so as to be slidably secured thereto; and the remaining portion of said rim overlying said portion secured to said bracelet.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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