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Coin-Holder.

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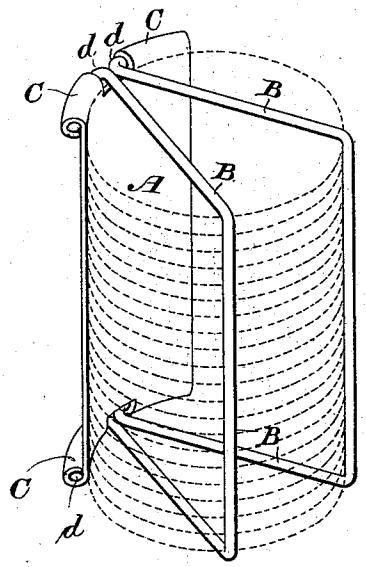


Fig 1.

Fig 2

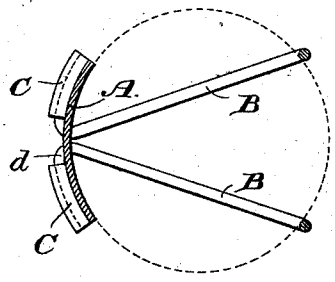
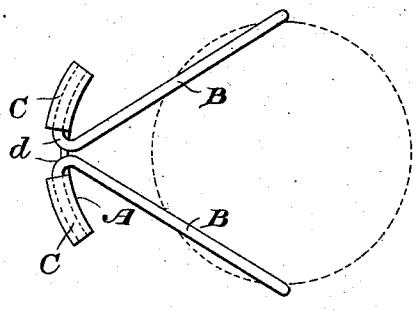


Fig 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE C. HATCH, of Bridgeport, in the county of Fairfield and State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Coin-Holders; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which 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 that class of devices by means of which a certain number of coins may be held securely, and at the same time their number, denomination, and genuineness may be observed.

My invention consists in combining, in the manner hereinafter described, a bed-piece, on which the coins rest, with two spring-bars so shaped that they retain the coins at the end and side, and are attached to the bed-piece in such a manner that they may be readily sprung apart for the admission of the coins, the spring-bars returning to their normal position as soon as the coins are within the holder, and thus preventing them from dropping out.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a view, in perspective, of the holder when the coins are held therein. Fig. 2 is an end view, in section, of the holder. Fig. 3 is an end view of the same, showing the coins partially in the holder, the spring-bars yielding to receive them.

A is the bed-plate. B B are the spring bars or arms. C C are the ears of the bed-piece, and *d d* the shoulders or ends of the bars B B, which are clamped or soldered to the bed-piece A.

The operation is as follows: Assuming that I have a holder designed to hold five dollars ($5.00) in twenty-five (25) cent pieces, I take the twenty (20) coins and simply press them into the holder, the bars readily yielding as the coins are being pressed in position, as in Fig. 3, and returning to their normal condition, as in Figs. 1 and 2, when the coins rest on the bed-plate, the pressure on the wires being then removed, so as to allow them to do so.

I prefer, generally, good spring-wire to make the bars or arms B B; but sheet-spring metal cut in strips may be used, if preferred.

The bed-piece is blanked out of sheet metal—tin, brass, or iron, as may be preferred. I preferably blank it out so as to have on each corner a little projection or ear.

Having bent and shaped the bars properly, I place them on the bed-plate, with their shoulders *d d* extending in opposite directions, and then clamp the ears C C over the shoulders *d d*, thus securely holding all the parts in the position represented in Fig. 1.

If preferred, the spring-bars may be soldered to the bed-piece; but this is more expensive and unnecessary.

I am aware that the action of this holder is the same as that of the one patented by me April 8, 1879. I consider this as an improvement on that, as the bed-piece enables me to stamp thereon the capacity of the holder, denomination of the coin, and all other necessary subject-matter.

I am also aware of the patent of H. Clark, dated April 1, 1879, and do not claim anything in connection with my holder which is not of a spring nature, or where a catch or any other contrivance for holding the bars is used.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and for which I desire Letters Patent, is—

1. A coin-holder composed of two spring-bars, B B, provided with short arms *d d*, and secured in the manner described to a bed-piece, A, whereby the said bed-piece and arms B B shall grasp the edges of the coins at three points in their circumference, in the manner set forth.

2. The bed-piece A, formed with the ears C C, in combination with the bars B B, provided with short arms *d d*, the parts being secured in relative position, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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