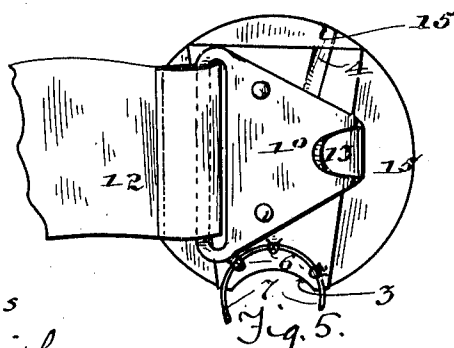
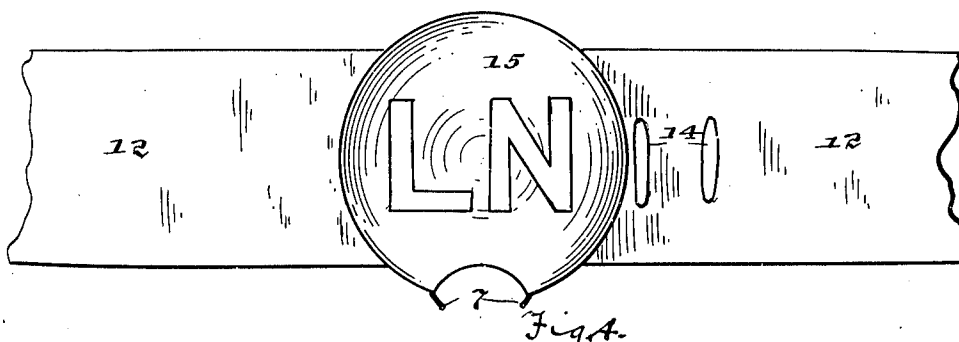
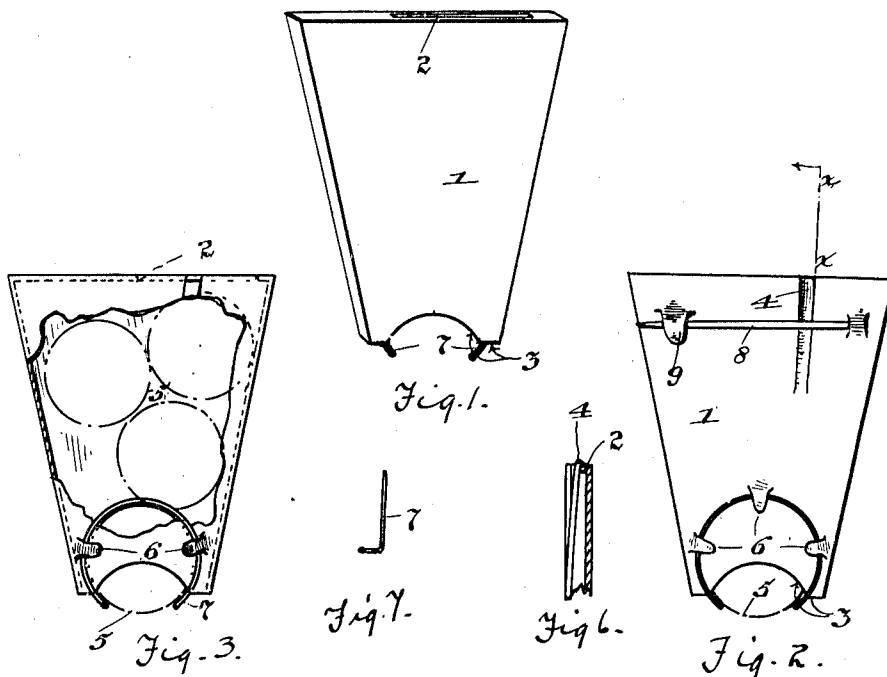


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LOUISE NELSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, county of Cook, and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Coin-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in coin-holders and more particularly to that class which may be attached to a woman's dress, the object being to provide means whereby coins may be safely carried and readily withdrawn by the wearer when desired.

A further object is to provide a device as stated that shall be ornamental, inexpensive of construction, and convenient in use. And a further object is to provide a modified form of the device which may serve as a belt buckle as well as a coin-holder.

Other objects will appear hereinafter.

With these objects in view my invention consists in the novel construction and arrangement of parts which will be hereinafter fully described and more particularly pointed out in the appended claim.

My invention further consists in a modified form of coin-holder, the same, however, possessing the same essential features as the preferred form and adapted to be used as a belt buckle.

My invention will be best understood by reference to the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification, and in which,

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved coin-holder in its preferred form, Fig. 2 is a rear elevation thereof, Fig. 3 is a rear elevation, parts being broken away to expose the coins in the interior of the holder, Fig. 4 is a front elevation of the modified form of coin-holder showing the same attached to a woman's belt, Fig. 5 is a rear elevation thereof, Fig. 6 is a detail section taken on line *x-x* of Fig. 2, and Fig. 7 is a detail view showing the lower portion of one end of a spring used in the device.

Referring now to the drawings, 1 designates a flat casing and 2 and 3 coin slots formed therein in the periphery thereof, the latter being substantially diametrically opposite. The spring catch 4 struck up from the back of the casing 1 is designed to permit the insertion of coins 5 but to prevent their withdrawal, this feature being plainly

shown in Fig. 6. The thickness of the casing is sufficient to allow the coins of the denomination used to be arranged on edge therein, so that gravity will always cause a coin to project partly through the slot 3. Secured to the back of the casing by means of lips 6 struck up therefrom is a U-shaped steel wire spring 7 the lower extremities of which are bent forwardly to support the coin resting therein. The stiffness of this spring is such as to hold the coin in the casing against the force of gravity but to allow its ready withdrawal with the fingers. An ordinary safety pin 8 and hook 9 is provided in order that the device may be readily attached to a woman's dress. It will be observed that opening 2 is at one side of, and spring catch 4 extends slightly above the top of said casing thus facilitating introduction of coins.

The modified form of coin-holder shown in Fig. 4 is constructed similar to the preferred form except that plate 10 is substituted for the safety pin, said plate being riveted to the back of the casing and having a slot 11 formed therein for permanent engagement to one end of a belt 12 and a hook 13 to engage slots 14 provided in the other end of said belt. An ornamental face plate 15 may be provided on the front of the casing if so desired.

While I have shown what I deem to be the preferable forms of my invention I do not wish to be limited thereto as there might be various changes made in the details of construction and arrangement of parts described without departing from my invention, and hence I desire to avail myself of such changes and alterations as fairly fall within the spirit and scope of the appended claim.

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

In a device of the class described, a body comprising parallel front and back plates and downwardly converging sides, the space between said plates being slightly greater than the thickness of the coins to be used and the distance between the lower ends of said sides being slightly greater than the diameter of said coin, a spring secured to the back plate, the ends of said spring projecting below the bottom of the body and bent inwardly beneath the same, a closure

for the top of said body having a slot at one end thereof, a spring tongue struck inwardly from one of said parallel plates and at substantially the center of said slot, and means for attaching the device to the person, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my

name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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