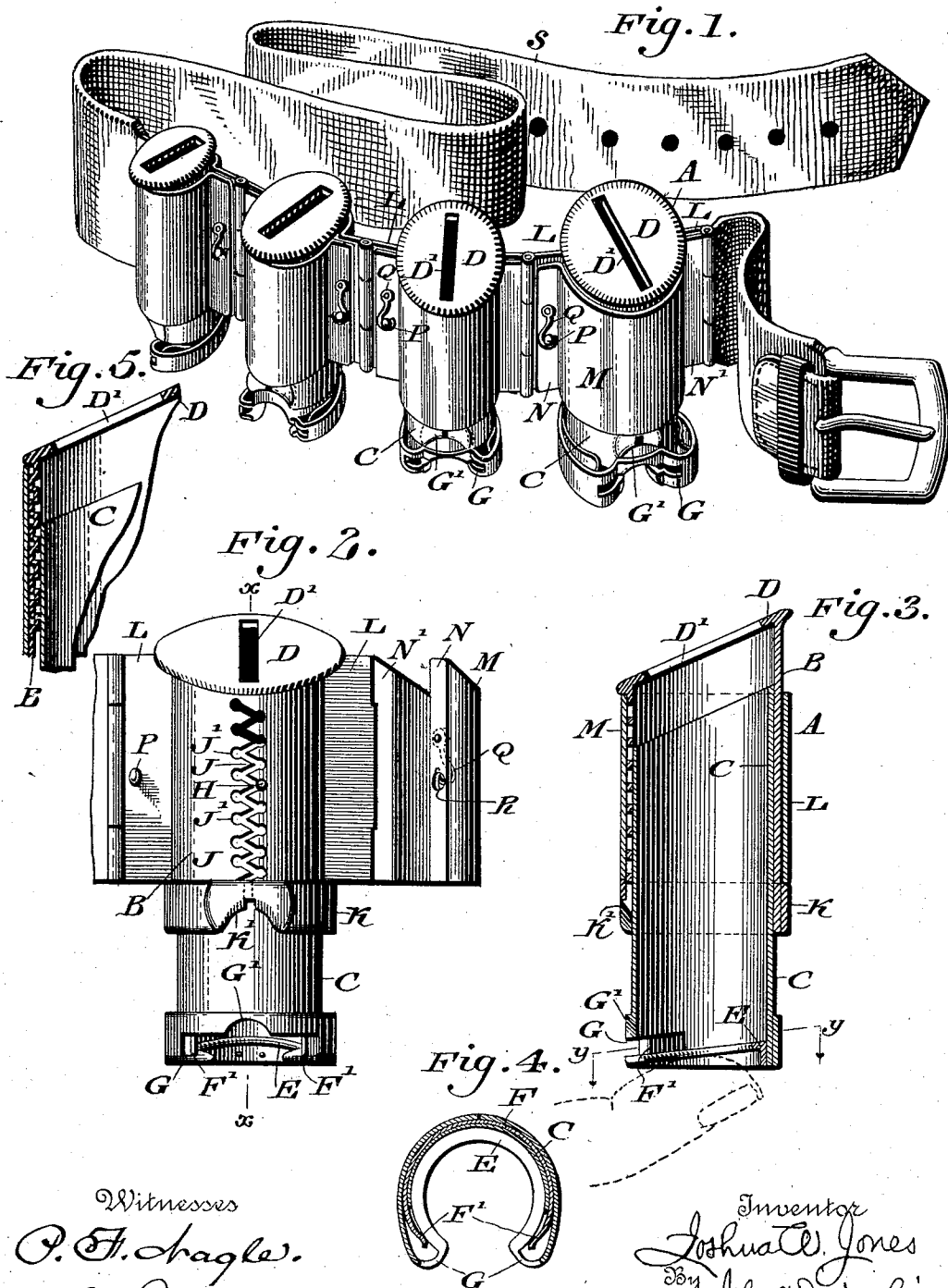


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSHUA W. JONES, a citizen of the United States, residing at Harrisburg, in the county of Dauphin, State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Change-Carriers, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings.

My invention consists of a novel construction of change-carrier which can be cheaply manufactured and readily manipulated, all as will be hereinafter set forth, and specifically pointed out in the claims.

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of a change-carrier embodying my invention and a belt to which the same is applicable. Fig. 2 represents, on an enlarged scale, a front elevation of one of said change-carriers detached. Fig. 3 represents a vertical section on line *xx*, Fig. 2. Fig. 4 represents a transverse section on line *yy*, Fig. 3. Fig. 5 represents a partial view, similar to Fig. 3, showing a modified form of upright slot.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

Referring to the drawings, A designates a change-carrier, the same being composed in the present instance of the telescoping upper and lower shells or sections B and C, said upper section having a cap D attached thereto, which latter is provided with a slot D' for the insertion of the coin. The said section C has attached to the lower portion thereof an inwardly-extending ledge E, immediately above which is secured a suitable spring F, whose free ends F' terminate at a point adjacent to the slot G, which has its upper portion G' slightly cut away, it being noticed that said ledge slopes toward said slot and that the distance between the free ends of the spring F is somewhat less than the diameter of the coin for which the carrier is adapted, the coin thus being normally held within the latter.

K designates a collar attached to the lower portion of the section B, the lower front edge K' of said collar being cut away and adapted to form a guide for the pin or stud H, which is secured to the front of the section C and adapted to project through the recessed front portion J of the upper section B when the parts are assembled, the recess in said section B being of longitudinal zigzag shape, as

will be understood from Fig. 2, the points of intersection of the straight-line portions of said recess being slightly enlarged so as to form seats J' for said pin H, whereby it will be seen that the capacity of the carrier A can be increased or diminished, as desired, by thus moving toward or away from each other the sections B and C, the same being locked temporarily relative to each other by the engagement of the pin H with a seat J', as is evident.

In the preferred embodiment of my invention I attach several of the above-described change-carriers of graduated sizes to a belt S, as seen in Fig. 1, each of said carriers being suitably held to a back-supporting piece L, and since the construction of each piece is substantially the same the description of one will suffice for all. The said supporting-piece L has a portion concaved so as to conform to the contour of the carrier adjacent thereto, and to its front face is hinged a cover M, which has in the present instance flattened portions N and N', said portions being adapted to be in contact with said back-supporting piece L, to which is attached the pin or stud P, which projects through the hole R in the portion of the cover M when the latter is in closed position, said cover being kept closed by means of a latch Q, which engages said pin P, as will be understood from Fig. 1, the carrier being held between the cover and back M and L, respectively. I have shown in the present instance four of said change-carriers of graduated sizes supported in the belt S, the back-supporting piece L of each carrier being hinged together, the largest size being for half-dollars, the next for quarters, the next for nickels, and the next for dimes, and it is of course apparent that the number of the same and the manner of supporting them may be varied according to requirements.

The operation is as follows: By removing the cap B the coin can be inserted in the lower section, and when the cap is on said coin can be inserted in the slotted top of the carrier, or when the latter is nearly full it can be inserted in the slot G at the base thereof, said coin being kept from dropping out of said slot by its contact with the ledge E and the free ends F' of the spring F, it being further noticed that by reason of the inclination

of said ledge said coin will automatically assume the desired position, the shell biting the front edge thereof, which projects slightly, and, further, by having the slot located in the relation shown to said ledge the coin can be slightly lifted when desired, either for the insertion of another coin or for any other purpose desired.

When it is desired to place a carrier in the belt, the cover M is opened, as seen in Fig. 2, and the carrier having been placed in the concavity of the back piece L, said cover is closed and locked, as seen in Fig. 1, the carrier being kept from shifting vertically by means of the contact of the collar K and the projecting edges of the cap D with the back L and cover M.

The manner of varying the capacity of the carrier has been explained. When it is desired to withdraw a coin, the finger is placed as seen in Fig. 3, the coin thus being readily moved toward the slot G.

In practice the front of the section B need not be an open slot, as seen in Fig. 2, but the zigzag outline may simply be pressed into the front of the said section, as seen in Fig. 5, in which latter case the pin H would not project through said section, as is evident.

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

1. A change-carrier consisting of telescoping shells, one of which has a sloping ledge on its inner wall and near the bottom thereof, and provided with a slot at the lower end of said ledge, said slot having a portion of its upper wall cut away, a spring-clamp on said ledge having its free end adjacent to said slot and of a distance apart less than the width

of the slot, said parts being combined substantially as described.

2. A change-carrier having a cap with a projecting edge a collar connected with said carrier, a back piece with hinged cover secured to said carrier between said projecting edge and said collar, said parts being combined substantially as described.

3. A change-carrier comprising upper and lower telescoping sections, a slot in the top and base of said upper and lower sections respectively, means for retaining a coin within said lower section, a belt having a back piece, covers hinged to the latter and adapted to hold said sections in position, and means for locking said covers, substantially as described.

4. A change-carrier having telescoping shells, one of which is provided with a zigzag-shaped slot in its sides, and a collar having its lower front edge cut away, the other of said shells having a pin guided in said cut-away portion of the collar and in said slot, and adapted to be supported in said slot, said parts being combined substantially as described.

5. A change-carrier comprising upper and lower telescoping sections, a slotted cap for the upper section, a ledge for the lower section adapted to sustain a coin, a slot adjacent said ledge, and a pin secured to one of said sections, the other of said sections having a zigzag recess therein whose walls are adapted to be engaged by said pin, whereby the capacity of said carrier can be varied, substantially as described.

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