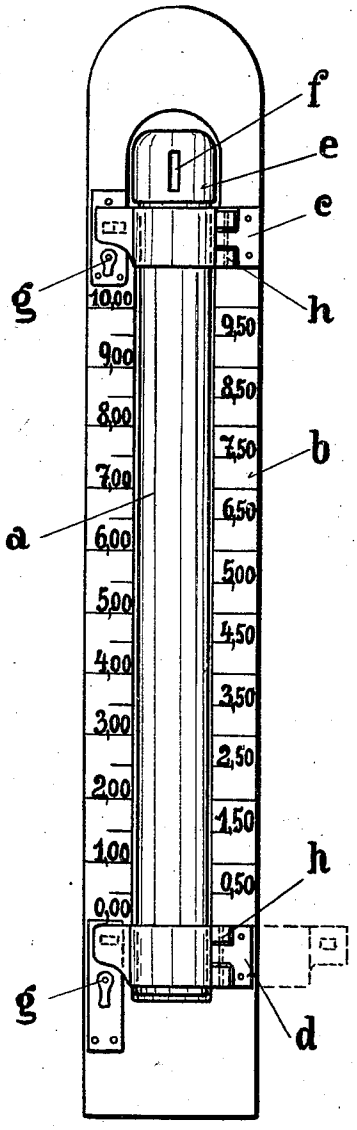
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The present invention relates to a money-box (saving-box) at which a coin collecting tube of glass or the like is employed, which at its upper end is equipped with a cap in which an injection opening for the coins is formed. When such money-boxes or money collectors are fastened to a back plate, this must be done in such a manner that the filled collecting tube easily can be removed and emptied, and simultaneously measures must be taken to prevent an illegal removal of the tube.

According to the present invention the coin tube is secured against illegal removal by means of one or more clasps or straps, which are equipped with a locking mechanism and which can be opened by means of a key, so that the coin tube can be removed and emptied.

A constructional form of the invention is shown by way of an example in the accompanying drawing.

The coin collecting tube *a* of the money-box is arranged on a base plate *b*, which suitably is formed with a groove in which the tube rests. The tube is held on its place by means of clasp-like straps *c* and *d*. The injection opening *f* for the coins is formed in a cap *e*, which is arranged at the upper end of the tube *a*. The straps *c* and *d* are at one end connected to the base plate *b* by means of a lock *g*. At the other end the straps are linkedly connected to the base plate by means of hinges *h*. When the lock is opened by means of a key, the straps can thus be swung outward into the position shown in dotted lines in the drawing, whereby the coin tube is released.

If desired, only one of the straps is fastened by means of a lock, whereas the other strap is fixed to the base by means of screws or the like.

The straps can also be connected to the base plate by means of a locking mechanism only, whereby the said hinges can be dispensed with. Instead of the counter-sunk lock shown in the drawing, also a pad-lock or the like may be used. The base plate is suitably equipped with a scale, which indicates the value of the stored coins at different heights of the coin column.

I claim:

A money-box comprising a base provided with a longitudinal recess, a coin-collecting tube removably countersunk in said recess, two pairs of hinging lugs adjacent, respectively, the top and bottom at one side of the recess, two straps for keeping said tube in place in said base, one end of each of said straps having hinge connections with the lugs, two locking elements, one for each strap, mounted in the base at the side of the recess opposed to the lugs, and complementary locking elements carried by the free end of each of the straps for engaging the respective base locking elements to lock the straps in tube-embracing position.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand.

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