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Fig. 1.

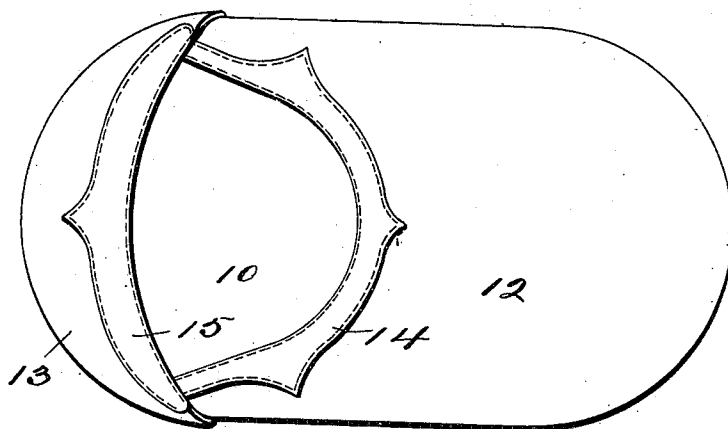


Fig. 2.

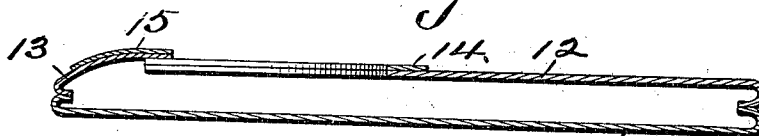
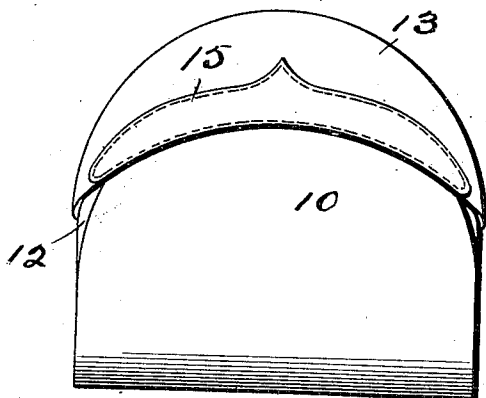


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, RUFUS W. HARVEY, Sr., and RUFUS W. HARVEY, Jr., citizens of the United States, residing at Des Moines, in the county of Polk and State of Iowa, have invented a new and useful Foldable Purse for Money, &c., of which the following is a specification.

Our object is to provide an improved neat, simple, strong, and durable leather purse that will have a large opening when the back of the purse is extended in such a manner that coin can be placed therein and the lower end then doubled over to close the opening and tucked in a pocket at the top of the purse as required to securely close the opening to conceal and protect its contents without applying any rigid fastening or locking device.

Our invention consists in the construction and permanent combination of pieces of leather, as hereinafter set forth, pointed out in our claim, and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 shows the purse open and extended flat, and Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view on a central line of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 shows the purse doubled and closed by tucking its lower end in the inverted pocket at its top.

The numeral 10 designates a piece of leather of oblong shape, with rounded ends to produce the closed back part of the purse. A shorter piece 12 with an inward curve at its top and a crescent-shaped piece 13 are laid on top of each other and stitched together and then turned inside out to produce a long pocket at the lower end and a short pocket at the top in such a manner that the purse can be doubled upward and the lower end of the long pocket tucked in the short pocket at the top as required to securely close the purse to conceal and protect coin or other

valuables placed in the long pocket. The upper ends of the side portions of the part 12 extend under the crescent-shaped part 13 and prevent coin from slipping out at the sides and ends of the purse at all times whether the purse is open or closed.

The inwardly-curved edges of the pieces 12 and 13 are preferably reinforced and ornamented by overlying pieces of leather 14 and 15, as shown.

It is obvious purses of different sizes and capacity can be thus economically made and advantageously used for carrying coin in such a manner that the coins can be readily seen when exposed through the open part of the purse as required to facilitate selecting coins to pay out or to make change.

Having thus set forth the purposes of our invention and the manner of its construction and use, the practical way of handling it and its utility will be readily understood by persons familiar with the art to which it pertains.

What we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

In a purse of the class described, a pocket composed of a flat leather back rounded at its ends and a front fixed to the edge of the back and curved inward at its upper end and a crescent-shaped top piece fixed to the edge of the top of the back and extended down at its sides over the outer edge portions of the inwardly-curved front to close the sides of the purse as set forth.

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