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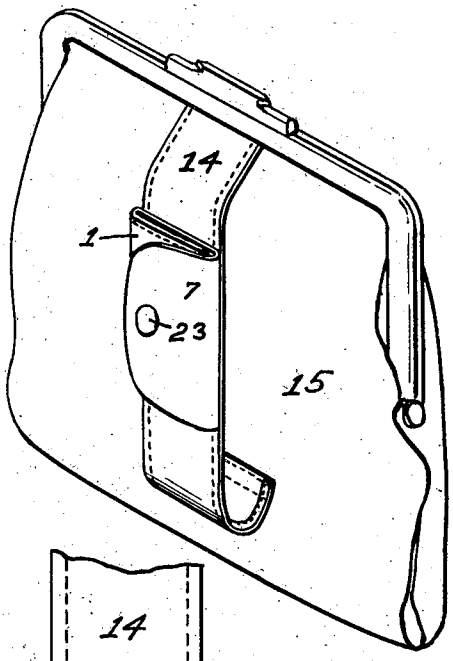


Fig. 1.

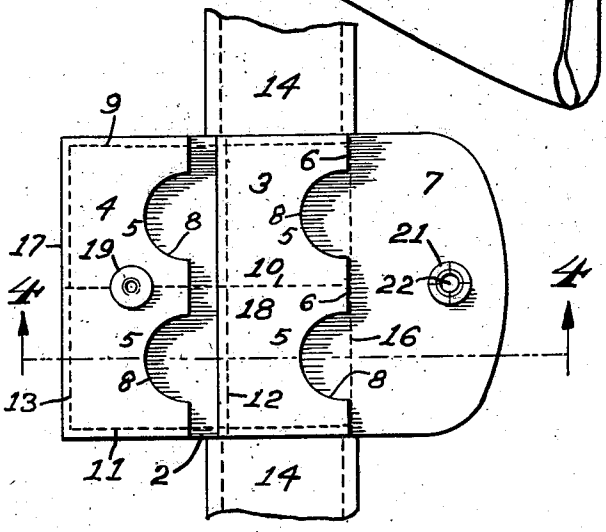


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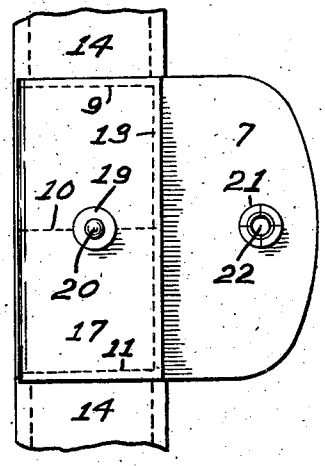


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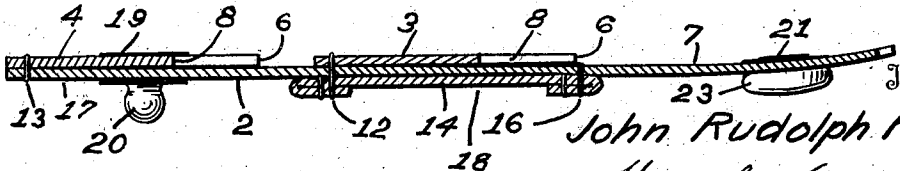


Fig. 4.

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This invention relates to purses, and has more particular reference to a purse especially adapted to hold carfare tokens or coins so that each individual coin or token will be retained separately in a distinct and easily accessible position, so that it can be located and removed quickly without searching for it or disturbing its fellows or other articles adjacent thereto. Otherwise stated, the invention is a time-saver; and is especially useful wherever a cash business must be transacted hurriedly in a crowded environment, as, for instance, in pay-as-you-enter or pay-as-you-leave street cars, or in the jostling crowd of a subway pay-station. The invention, also, contemplates the provision of novel structural features that are more or less ancillary to its main purpose and that will appear in the course of the following description.

While the invention relates broadly to purses and its spirit may be embodied in divers specific forms, yet it has, for the purpose of illustration only, been shown in the single form of a small purse attached to the exterior of a handbag or larger purse. It is, also, to be understood that wherever the term "coin" is employed in the description and claims, it is intended that the same be comprehensive and to include checks, tokens, and articles of similar character that may be used in lieu of coins.

In the accompanying drawings forming part of this specification, in which like numbers of reference denote like parts wherever they occur,

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a handbag embodying this invention;

Figure 2 is a fragmentary view of the handbag showing the small attached purse with its flaps extended in open position;

Figure 3 is a similar view of the same showing a pocket flap closed and a closure flap open; and

Figure 4 is a transverse sectional view taken on the line 4—4 in Figure 2.

The coin-holding attachment or smaller purse 1 comprises a base layer or sheet 2 of any suitable flexible material, such as leather, and layers or strips 3 and 4 of preferably similar material. The strip or sheet 3 extends across the middle portion of the sheet 2, and the sheet or strip 4 extends across the sheet 2 at one end thereof. Strips 3 and 4 are attached to the base sheet 2 along lines to provide a row of pockets 5 arranged edge to edge in the same plane between the superposed sheets and so as to have their unattached or entrance edges 6 on the same line of their respective strips, and preferably disposed so that the entrances face the closure flap 7 at the other end of the sheet 2. The pockets 5 are slightly wider than the diameter of a coin which the pocket is intended to hold; and the strips 3 and 4 have portions cut away along their entrance edges 6 on arcuate lines 8 at the middle of each individual pocket 5 to facilitate access to the coin therein.

The lines of attachment of the strips 3 and 4 to the sheet 2 preferably comprise lines of stitching 9, 10, and 11 along the end or short edges of the strips 3 and 4 and lines of stitching 12 and 13 along the longitudinal edges of the respective strips 3 and 4. The line of stitching 12 preferably extends through the back-strap 14 of the handbag 15 as well as through the sheet 2 and strip 3, thereby serving the dual purpose of forming the pockets and, also, securing the coin-holder 1 to the backstrap 14. A line of stitching 16, also, preferably passes through the sheet 2 and backstrap 14 in alinement with the entrance edge 6 of the strip 3, and thereby supplements the line of stitching 12 in securing the purse 1 to the backstrap. Complemental snap-fastener members are secured to the closure flap 7 and to the pocketed end flap 17, so that the pocket flap 17 can first be folded over the middle pocket flap 18, as shown in Figure 3, after which the closure flap 7 can be folded over the pocket flap 17, and the snap-fastener elements then snapped or clasped together. The male member 19 of the fastener is preferably secured to the flap 17 with its knob 20 projecting from the outer side of the flap 17; and the female member 21 is secured to the closure flap 7 with its cavity 22 on the inner side of the flap 7, the portion 23 of the member 21 on

the outer side of flap 7 being preferably of button formation to facilitate opening and closing of the closure flap.

Having thus fully described this invention, I hereby reserve the benefit of all changes in form, arrangement, order, or use of parts, as it is evident that many minor changes may be made therein without departing from the spirit of this invention or the scope of the following claims.

I claim:

1. A purse comprising a pair of superposed layers of material attached together along lines to provide a row of pockets arranged edge to edge in the same plane between adjacent layers, one of the layers being extended in the form of a flap adapted to be folded over the pockets to provide a common closure for all of them.

2. A purse comprising a pair of superposed layers of material attached together along lines to provide a row of pockets arranged edge to edge in the same plane between adjacent layers and having their entrance edges on the same line, one of the layers being extended in the form of a flap adapted to be folded over the entrance edges to provide a comon closure for all of them, and the other layer having portions cut away along the entrance edge at the middle of each individual pocket.

3. A purse comprising a single base sheet of flexible material and strips attached to said base sheet to provide a pair of foldable spaced pockets positioned respectively at one end and adjacent the medial portion of said base sheet, the open ends of said pockets extending in the same direction, one end of said base sheet being formed into a flap and adapted to lie over the folded pockets to provide a common closure for the same.

4. A purse adapted to be secured to the back strap of a handbag, said purse comprising a single base sheet of flexible material, a strip attached to one end of said sheet to define a pair of pockets presenting open ends, a second strip attached to said sheet in a maner to also attach said sheet to said back strap, and also presenting a pair of pockets having open ends, said sheet being formed into a flap adapted to lie over said pockets when the same are folded to provide a common closure for the same.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature.

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