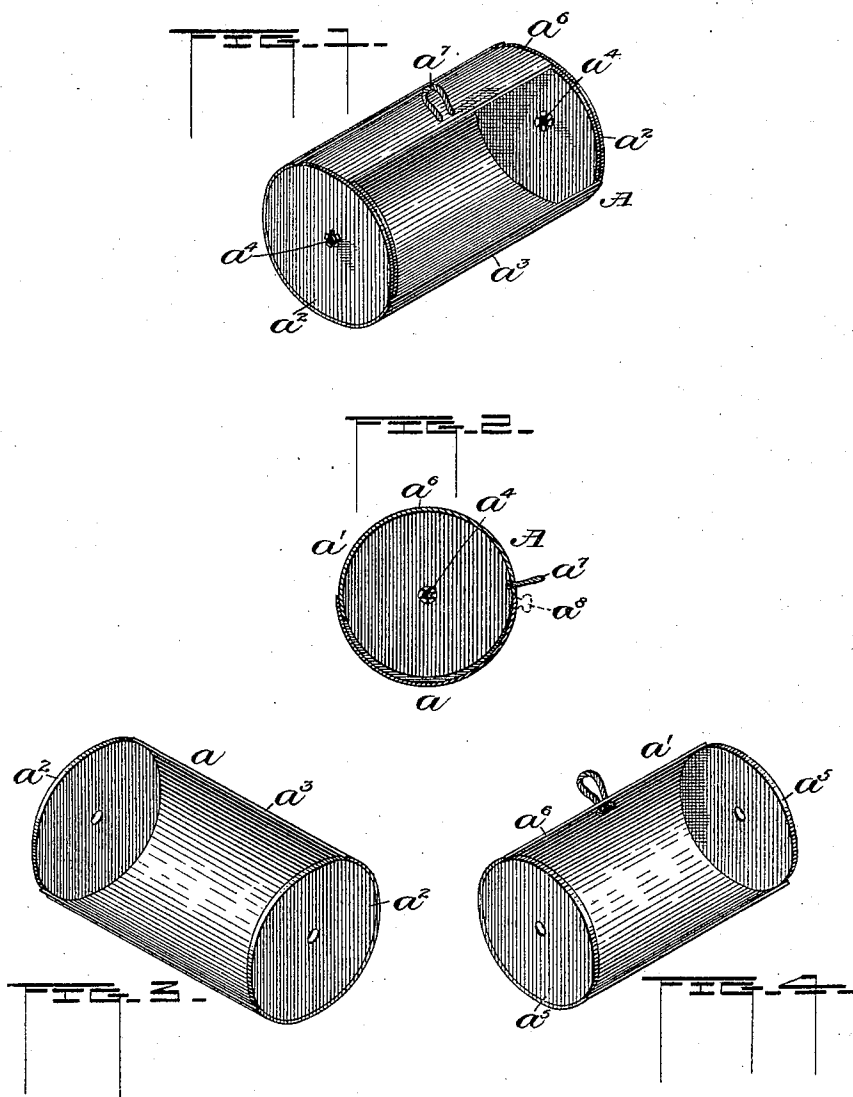


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CHARLES B. LAWLOR, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Money Wrappers and Counters; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to money wrappers and counters, but more particularly to those employed for coins of various sizes and denominations.

The primary object of my invention is to provide a wrapper or holder for coins which shall be adapted to hold a predetermined number of coins of a given value, which may be readily placed therein and easily removed therefrom, the coins being thus put up in concealed packages to any desired number, each of the same value, so that in counting out greater values it is not necessary to count the individual coins, such packages being also well adapted for shipping or transportation through the mails.

Other objects are to provide a wrapper and counter which shall be simple and inexpensive in construction and neat and attractive in appearance, and to provide means whereby the coins may be readily inserted into and retained within the wrapper or removed therefrom when desired.

A further object is to provide wrappers which may be of various sizes according to the value and size of the coins which it is designed to contain, and which may be made of any suitable material, so as to adapt the same for various uses or for reuse, if desired, instead of destroying or throwing the same away after a single use, as has heretofore been the practice.

With these and other objects in view the invention consists in the construction and combination of the several parts, substantially as hereinafter more particularly described, and indicated in the claims at the end of the description.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, Figure 1

is a perspective view of a wrapper and holder embodying the invention and having the cover partly open so as to expose its exterior. Fig. 2 is a transverse sectional view illustrating the position of the cover after the insertion of the coins. Fig. 3 is a detail perspective view of the outer member or holder of the wrapper, and Fig. 4 is a detail perspective view of the cover or rotary member.

In the drawings, A may designate a wrapper and counter of any suitable material, preferably comprising an outer member or holder *a* and a rotary member or cover *a'*. The outer member or holder *a* may have the cylindrical end pieces or disks *a<sup>2</sup>* provided with the outer casing *a<sup>3</sup>*, partially surrounding said disks, so as to permit the ready insertion into or the removal of the coins or other objects from said holder. These disks may have the pivots *a<sup>4</sup>*, upon the inner portions of which are rotatably held the end pieces *a<sup>5</sup>* of the cover or member *a'*, in order that the said cover may be caused to pass within the casing or holder *a* when it is desired to insert or remove the coins and to permit the cover to be rotated sufficiently to close the open portion of the holder, so as to conceal and retain the coins within the wrapper for transportation or other purposes.

The pivots *a<sup>4</sup>* of the holder are preferably slightly eccentrically arranged, so that the forward edge of the body portion *a<sup>6</sup>* of the cover may abut and form a flush joint with the casing *a<sup>3</sup>* when inclosing the coins within the holder, though, of course, the said pivots may be located centrally of the disks, if so desired.

A catch or handle of any suitable form may be secured or otherwise provided on the body portion of the cover, so as to permit the said cover to be readily rotated on the pivots *a<sup>4</sup>*, and said handle or catch may be made of a piece of cord or wire *a<sup>7</sup>*, which is passed through and suitably secured to the cover in order to form an outwardly-projecting loop thereon. This handle or catch may engage a knob or other suitable device *a<sup>8</sup>*, (shown in dotted lines in Fig. 2,) arranged upon the casing *a<sup>3</sup>* for the purpose of securing the cover to the holder, so as to prevent the rotation of said cover while holding the wrapper.

The manner of using the invention will be readily understood from the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings.

5 If a wrapper of the proper size, adapted to hold a predetermined value and number of coins, is held in the left hand, by rotating the cover  $a'$  on the pivots  $a^4$  toward the left  
10 an opening is provided by which the coins may be readily inserted into the wrapper. If now the holder is held stationary, the user may with his right hand, by means of the handle or catch  $a^7$ , rotate the cover in the opposite direction, and the coins being thus in-  
15 closed within the wrapper the said catch or handle may be made to engage the stud, staple, or other device  $a^8$  and fastened thereto, in order that the coins may be retained within the wrapper. By rotating the cover into po-  
20 sition to permit the insertion of the coins, as hereinbefore described, the coins may be readily removed. I thus provide a wrapper or counter of simple construction, which may be employed to hold coins of any desired  
25 size and number, and which may be used for transportation or other purposes, and will readily indicate the amount or value of the coins contained therein.

It is obvious that the wrapper and counter  
30 may be made in any preferred manner and of any suitable material, according to the purpose for which it is to be used, and that any suitable clasp or securing device may be employed for securing the cover to the holder.  
35 Instead of the end pieces  $a^5$  being in the form of disks, they may be simply radially-arranged arms, which may be attached in any preferred manner to the disks or end pieces  $a^2$  of the holder  $a$ .

40 In some instances I may provide indicator marks or scales along either or both of the abutting edges of the cover or member  $a$  and the holder  $a'$ , in order to ascertain at a glance the exact number of coins contained in the  
45 wrapper when the cover is partly or entirely open and when there are not sufficient coins in said wrapper to fill the same.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by  
50 Letters Patent of the United States, is—

1. As an article of manufacture a combined wrapper and counter for coins, comprising a semicylindrical coin-holder, having at each end thereof a disk or end piece rigidly secured

thereto; said holder only partially surround- 55  
ing said disks, so as to provide an opening for the insertion of the coins, and a semicylin-  
drical portion or cover for closing said opening  
fitting snugly within said holder and also pro- 60  
vided with end pieces or disks arranged to ro-  
tate in the plane of the disks of the holder;  
the end pieces of the holder being provided  
with pivots on their inner surfaces on which  
the end pieces of the inner member or cover  
are pivotally supported; said inner portion 65  
being adapted to rotate within the outer por-  
tion in frictional contact therewith, substan-  
tially as described.

2. As an article of manufacture a coin-con- 70  
tainer composed entirely of paper and con-  
sisting of a semicylindrical coin-holder, hav-  
ing at each end thereof a disk or end piece  
rigidly secured thereto; said holder only par-  
tially surrounding said disks, so as to provide  
an opening for the insertion of the coins, and 75  
a semicylindrical portion or cover for closing  
said opening fitting snugly within said holder  
and also provided with end pieces or disks  
arranged to rotate in the plane of the disks of  
the holder; the end pieces of the holder being 80  
provided with pivots on their inner surfaces  
on which the end pieces of the inner member  
or cover are pivotally supported; said inner  
portion being adapted to rotate within the  
outer portion in frictional contact therewith, 85  
and means for securing the cover to the holder,  
substantially as described.

3. In a wrapper and counter for coins and  
the like, the combination with a holder com-  
prising disks or end pieces, and a casing par- 90  
tially surrounding the same, of a cover or  
member provided with end pieces eccentric-  
ally pivoted to the inner surfaces of said disks  
so as to pass within the holder when rotated  
in one direction and to inclose the open por- 95  
tion of said holder when moved in the oppo-  
site direction, together with a handle arranged  
upon said cover, whereby the coins may be  
readily inserted into and retained within the  
holder or removed therefrom, substantially 100  
as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature  
in presence of two witnesses.

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It is hereby certified that in Letters Patent No. 574,546, granted January 5, 1897, upon the application of Charles B. Lawlor, of New York, N. Y., for an Improvement in "Money Wrappers and Counters," an error appears in the printed specification requiring correction as follows, viz: In line 54, page 1, the word "exterior" should read *interior*; and that the said Letters Patent should be read with this correction therein that the same may conform to the record of the case in the Patent Office.

Signed, countersigned, and sealed this 12th day of January, A. D., 1897.

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