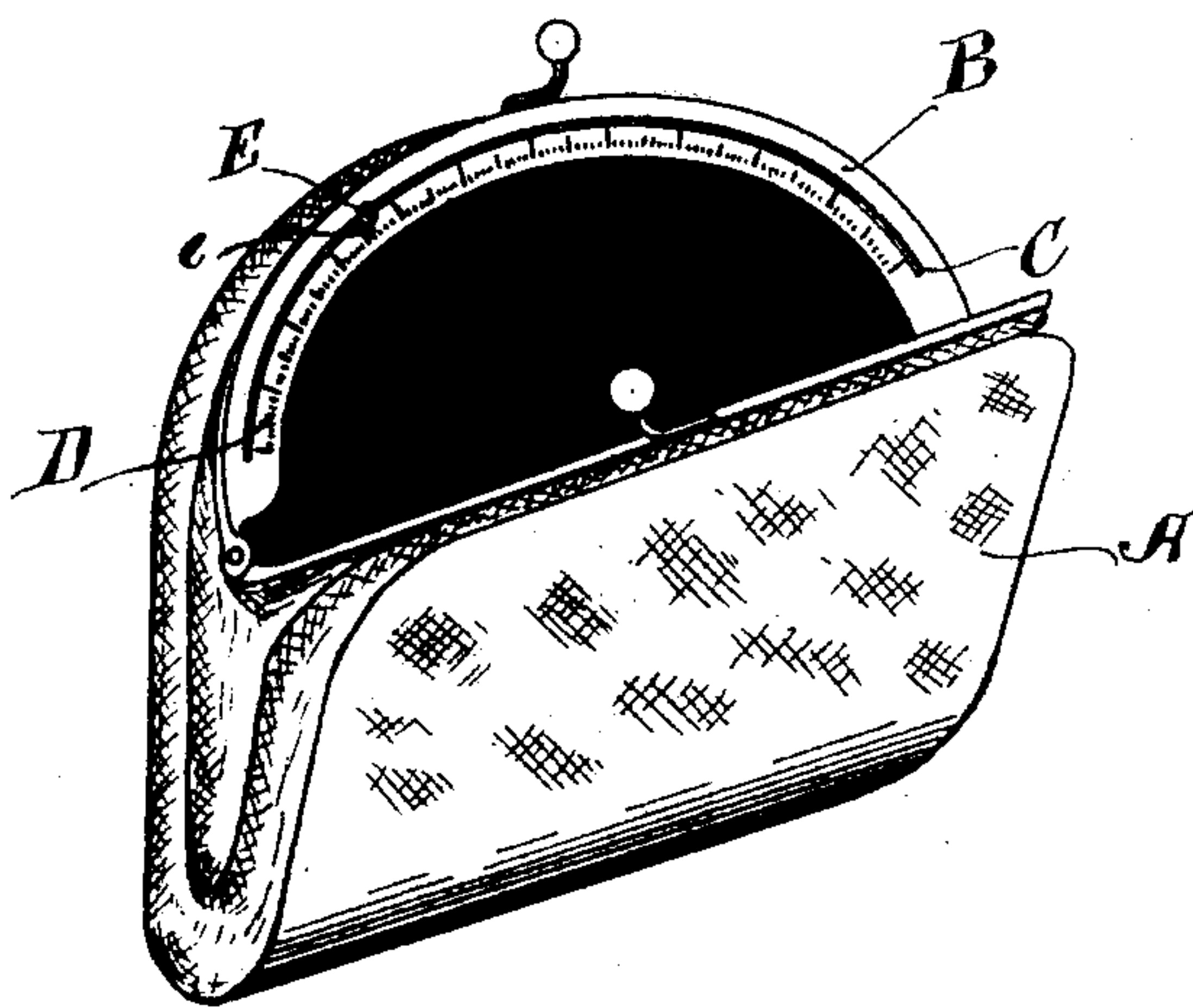


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN S. HUEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pocketbooks, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to make a pocketbook cash register that will enable a person desiring to keep an account of cash expended to note the amounts and aggregates when he opens his pocket book to get the money he is paying out, without the inconvenience of carrying a memorandum book and pencil in his pocket for the purpose; and my invention consists in the features, combinations and arrangements hereinafter described and claimed.

In the drawing I have shown a perspective view of my improved pocket book provided with a cash register, attached to and forming a part of the frame.

Heretofore it has been necessary for parties desiring to keep an account of the cash or change which they spend during the day for various purposes to carry a memorandum book and pencil to note down the amounts from time to time. The inconvenience of taking out a memorandum book and pencil to note a small payment, as for car or bus fares, papers, cigars and other small matters, frequently causes the payment to be intrusted to memory, and its notation postponed, so that at the end of the day it is often impossible to recall the amounts that have been paid out. It is to obviate this inconvenience, among other things, and to provide a person with easy and convenient means to note the amount of cash paid out at the moment of the payment and while his pocket book is in his hand, that my invention is intended.

In making my pocket book cash register I take a pocket book, A, which may be made in any convenient form, and provide it with pivoted jaws B, one of which is provided with a slotted strengthening rib, and which forms a portion of the frame of the pocket book. I arrange in the plate which forms the slotted strengthening rib a slot C, and provide it along the margin of the slot with rulings D, running from 1 to as high a number

as desired. I arrange in the slot in the registering plate an indicator E, whose end protrudes slightly above the surface of the plate, so that it can be moved along in the slot by the finger or thumb nail. The indicator is intended to be held with sufficient closeness in the slot, so that when it has been moved to the desired point it will remain there until again moved. I prefer to provide it with a point *e*, so that when it is moved opposite any particular ruling it will indicate the same with sufficient distinctness.

As illustrated in the drawing and in my preferred form of construction I have shown the ruled registering plate as forming the slotted strengthening rib of one of the pivoted jaws of the frame on which the leather of the purse is mounted. It may, however, be made in various ways and arranged to be on the inside or on the outside of the pocket book, though I prefer to make it so when the pocket book is shut the cash register will be inclosed, to prevent the liability of the indicator being moved accidentally by other articles in the pocket. It will be understood, therefore, that the principal idea of my invention consists in providing a pocket book with a cash register attached to and forming part of the frame that will enable a person to easily and instantly note the amount of money expended from time to time during the day, so that in the evening, or at other convenient times, he may note the aggregate in his expense account book.

I have shown but one register plate attached to the pocket book as illustrated in the drawing, but it is obvious that additional plates can be used where it is desired to note expenditures aggregating considerable amounts where it might be impractical to arrange a single registering plate with sufficient rulings. This, however, is a matter so obvious that I have considered that my invention would be fully understood by a representation of a single registering plate on the pocket book, though I mention the matter to show that I contemplate in use an arrangement that will enable sufficiently large amounts to be noted to suit the requirements of different cases.

What I regard as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

In pocket books, the combination of a pocket book provided with pivoted jaws, one  
5 of which has a slotted strengthening rib, rulings along the same, and an indicator adapted to slide in said slot for the purpose of regis-

tering sums of money, substantially as described.

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