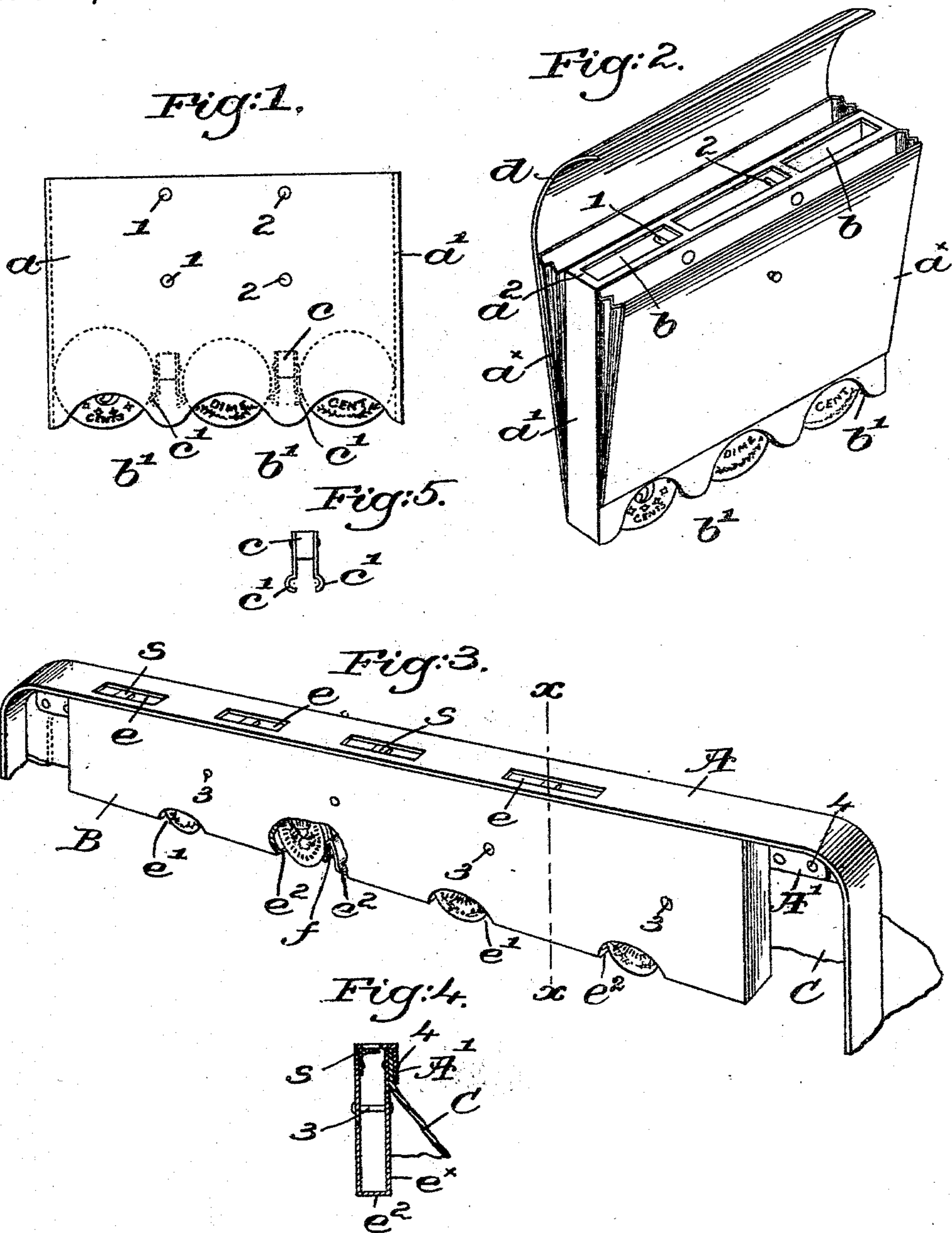


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ADDISON WHITNEY JONES, of Boston, county of Suffolk, State of Massachusetts, have invented an Improvement in Coin-Receptacles, of which the following description, in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a specification, like letters and figures on the drawings representing like parts.

This invention has for its object the production of a receptacle or holder for coin, the receptacle being adapted for attachment to a bag or satchel or to a purse. The receptacle has several chambers or compartments therein, each provided with an inlet and outlet, the outlet being so constructed that one or several coins may be extracted from any particular compartment with equal ease.

In accordance therewith my invention consists, in a coin receptacle or holder, of a coin receiving compartment, to receive and retain the coins loosely therein, an outlet through which coin may be withdrawn positively, when grasped by the fingers, and a retaining device restricting said outlet to normally prevent egress of the coin positive withdrawal of the coin retracting said device, substantially as will be described.

Other features of my invention will be hereinafter described and particularly pointed out in the claims.

Figure 1 in side elevation represents a coin holder embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of a purse or pocket-book with my invention applied thereto. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of a slightly modified form of my invention applied to a hand bag, only a portion of one side of the bag being shown. Fig. 4 is a sectional detail taken on the line  $x-x$ , Fig. 3, and Fig. 5 is a detail to be described.

I have herein shown the coin receptacle or holder as composed of sides  $a$  and  $a'$ , see Figs. 1 and 2, rigidly secured together in any suitable manner, the space between the sides being divided into three compartments, as herein shown, by rivets or pins 1 and 2, the lower edge of each side having a series of scallops or cut-away portions therein to form outlets  $b'$  for the coins. The top  $a^2$  of the receptacle has a series of inlet openings  $b$  therein, see Fig. 2, through which the coins are inserted

into the receptacle, and in practice it is desirable that any one compartment shall be of the same denomination, and in the receptacle herein shown the denominations may be one, five and ten cents.

In order to retain the coins in the compartments of the receptacles in a yielding manner whereby they may be withdrawn from the apparatus, I provide yielding or spring supports as  $c'$ , shown in dotted lines Fig. 1, and in detail Fig. 5, said retaining devices being secured on opposite sides of a block  $c$  attached to the sides  $a$  of the receptacle in such manner that the spring arms  $c'$  normally project into the paths of movement of the coins to retain them in the compartments, as is clearly shown in Fig. 1.

It will be evident from an inspection of the drawings that a series of coins may be withdrawn from the outlet at once or only one coin, for when the coins are put in the inlets  $b$  they will fall to the bottom of the compartment and side-by-side until the space between the sides of the receptacle is filled. Then another rank or row will be sustained upon the first row, the retaining arm  $c'$  having sufficient strength to maintain the coins in the positions shown in Figs. 1 and 2, a sufficient portion of the coin projecting beyond the scalloped lower edges of the coin-holder to enable them to be readily grasped between the thumb and finger and removed, their removal pressing the retaining device to one side until the coin has been drawn beyond it.

In Fig. 2 I have shown my invention as embodied in a pocket-book, the same having a flap or cover  $d$  and bellows, folds or flaps  $a'$  of usual construction to receive bills or large coins such as halves and dollars, the flap when turned down and caught in usual manner covering the inlets  $b$  so that the coins cannot drop out of the compartments through the inlet openings.

In Fig. 3 I have shown my invention as applied to a hand-bag or satchel, and have slightly modified some of the details of the holder in order to adapt it for such use.

In this application of my invention I have only shown a portion of one side of a satchel, as the same fully illustrates the operation and arrangement of the device.

One of the side frames  $A$  of the satchel has

a series of slots  $e$  therein and the coin-holder B is secured to the under side of the frame A in any suitable manner, in this modification, however, the scallops forming the outlets  $e'$  being separate and connected by the bottom sections  $e^2$ , the bottom sections as a whole inclining from one to the other end of the coin-holder so that the coins when inserted through the inlets  $e$  will roll over the bottom sections until they reach the scallop or cut-away portions  $e'$ , where they are retained in place and partially projecting therefrom by yielding retaining devices.

As shown by the broken out portion of Fig. 3, the retaining device in the construction shown is formed by upturning the end of the bottom section  $e^2$  and bending it back upon itself, as at  $f$ , to form a yielding or spring arm which bears against the peripheries of the lower ranks of coins, but the spring may be an independent piece if desired.

Each of the outlets  $e'$  is provided with a retaining device, and pins or rivets 3 divide the holder into compartments, the said compartments being of such a size, however, that a large number of coins may be contained in each.

The removal of any coin or coins is accomplished in precisely the manner hereinbefore described.

The material C of the satchel is secured between one of the side walls  $e^x$  of the holder and the down-turned flange  $a'$  of the satchel frame by suitable rivets 4, or in any other convenient manner.

Inasmuch as the inlet openings in the satchel are exposed so that the owner will not have to open to deposit coins, it is necessary to provide the inlets also with retaining devices, and one very simple form is herein shown, the same consisting of a piece of flattened wire or spring metal  $s$  secured to one of the sides of the holder and bent over underneath the frame A and to substantially extend across the inlet opening, as shown in Figs. 3 and 4.

When a coin is inserted the retaining device  $s$  will be bent inward until the coin has been pushed beyond it, whereupon it will spring back into place across the inlet, thus preventing egress of the coin therethrough.

It will be noticed that in both forms of holder the coins are free to move about in the compartment, and are not held pressed together by spring action, and furthermore that in my invention the coins may be removed singly or several of them may be removed simultaneously, as desired.

The coin holder is preferably made of thin sheet metal which is light, strong and durable, although any other suitable material,

such as hard rubber, may be used to advantage.

This invention is not restricted to the exact construction and arrangement of parts as herein shown and described, nor to any particular shape of retaining device for holding the coin at the outlets of the compartments, for the same may be varied either in arrangement or construction without departing from my invention the gist of which consists in a compartment to receive the coins loosely and provided with inlets and outlets, and means to normally retain the coins in the holder from which they may be positively withdrawn.

I claim—

1. In a coin receptacle or holder, a coin receiving compartment to receive and retain the coins loosely therein, an outlet through which coins may be withdrawn positively, when grasped by the fingers and a retaining device restricting said outlet to normally prevent egress of coin, positive withdrawal of coin retracting said device substantially as described.

2. A coin receptacle or holder having an inclosed compartment to receive and retain the coins loosely therein, an inlet opening and an independent outlet opening for said compartment, and means to normally close each of said openings, after the passage of coin therethrough substantially as described.

3. In a coin receptacle or holder, a series of coin receiving compartments, an inlet opening and an independent outlet opening for each compartment, said outlet having a greater width than the diameter of the coin, and exposing a portion of the coin to be grasped by the operator and a yielding retaining device to partially close said outlet and normally prevent egress of the coin therethrough the compartment, substantially as described.

4. A bag provided with a coin receptacle or holder having compartments to receive the coins loosely, independent inlet and outlet openings for each of said compartments, means to prevent egress of coin through the several inlet openings, and yielding retaining devices to normally restrict the outlet openings against accidental egress of the coin, positive withdrawal of coin retracting the retaining device momentarily substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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