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Coin-Package.

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Fig:1.

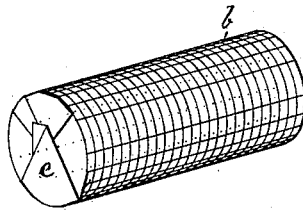


Fig:2.

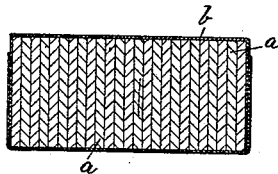
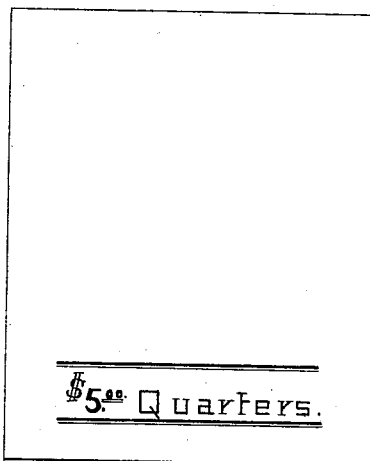


Fig:3.



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IMPROVEMENT IN COIN-PACKAGES.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. **215,788**, dated May 27, 1879; application filed April 12, 1879.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WM. V. BRIGHAM, of Newton, county of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts, have invented an Improvement in Coin-Packages, of which the following description, in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a specification.

This invention relates to an improved coin-package wherein all the coins of the package are so fully covered or wrapped that they cannot be touched by the hand, yet the entire edge of each coin is distinctly and clearly visible, which enables a judge of good and spurious coin to readily and quickly detect bad coin, and see and count each coin as easily as if not wrapped.

In banking and other establishments it is customary to wrap up gold, silver, and other coin in paper wrappers, each wrapper containing a certain number of dollars or cents; but with such wrappers the coin has to be removed from the wrapper to inspect or properly count it.

To obviate unwrapping, a narrow slit has been cut in the paper or other wrapper to show a very small portion of the edge of each coin, and these slits have been filled in with a transparent medium.

In other instances metal strips or bands have been placed about the coin piles; but these are liable to become loose, are too rigid or fixed as to form to be adapted to worn or bent coin, and are liable to become detached.

By experiment I have discovered that a very tough sheet-gelatine may be wrapped about the stack of coin and folded upon the end coins of the stack, just as practiced when ordinary paper is used, and the folded ends may be fastened, glued, or stuck down, forming a coin-package having a transparent wrapper, which shows the entire edge of each coin of the package as clearly and fully as though there was not a wrapper upon the coins, and the number

of coins may be readily counted and their entire edges be readily inspected and examined.

A banker or merchant wrapping coin as herein described in a gelatine wrapper may stamp his name upon the wrapper as a guarantee, yet the coin may be seen and inspected as readily as if not wrapped.

A gelatine wrapper once applied and folded down at the ends of the coin-stack cannot be opened without so destroying the wrapper that it cannot be again used. This insures that a package of coin put up by a responsible party and signed or stamped by him cannot be tampered with or changed.

The sheet-gelatine used by me is not claimed as novel in itself. Instead of sheet-gelatine I may use any other thin transparent medium which may be folded or wrapped about the coins as described.

Figure 1 represents, in perspective, a coin-package embodying my invention; Fig. 2, a longitudinal section thereof, and Fig. 3 one of the transparent wrappers having printed upon it the value of the package.

The coins *a*, placed side by side in stack or pile, are wrapped or inclosed within a wrapper or envelope, *b*, of transparent gelatine or other transparent tough and strong material, and the ends of the wrapper are folded down, as at *c*, against the end coins of the package.

I claim—

In a coin-package, an inclosing transparent envelope or cover adapted to leave visible the entire edges of the coins composing the package, as and for the purpose described.

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

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