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TRAYS.

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Fig. 1.

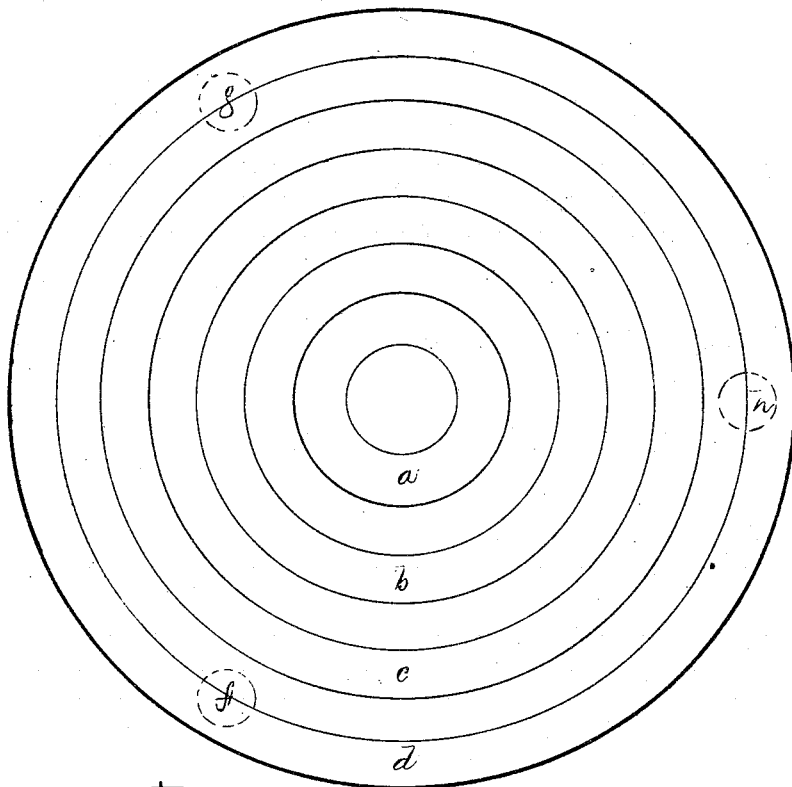
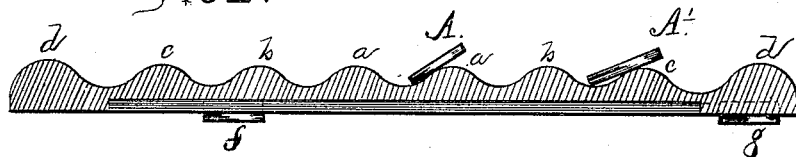


Fig. 2.



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## IMPROVEMENT IN TRAYS.

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*To all-whom it may concern :*

Be it known that I, LEWIS WILKINSON, of the city of Brooklyn, county of Kings, State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Money-Tablets, which are fully set forth in the following specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

Figure 1 is a view of the top of one form of my invention. Fig. 2 is a vertical cross-sectional view of the same, showing the convenient positions for grasping with the fingers that coins and other money are likely to assume when the same are carelessly thrown or laid down upon the receiving-surface of the tablet or pad, as occurs in the act of delivering change.

An obvious case of usefulness of this invention is when the receiver of change is gloved. Fig. 2 shows that the ends of the fingers may be placed below the edge of the pieces to be picked up, and positive and easy grasp insured.

The general surface of the tablet may be flat, convex, or, preferably, slightly concave; but whatever such surface may be as a whole, the undulations or elevations and depressions should be such as not to allow the flat sides of the coin, &c., to occupy a position parallel to the surface of the tablet, which is immediately above which the coin is resting.

The tablet may be made of glass, wood, or of any other suitable material. The lower side of the pad or tablet may be made similar to the upper side, so as to be reversible for use; or, if preferred, a lining of cloth or other suitable material may be attached, so as to adapt the tablet to rest upon, without injuring, a delicate surface.

I prefer the use of small legs or feet of rubber or leather, secured in some convenient way by means of sockets, or of cement, at convenient intervals, to make it rest steadily, and at the same time to avoid scratching the surface of support.

I claim—

1. A portable money-tablet or change-pad, provided on its receiving-surface with corrugations, constructed and adapted for the purposes hereinbefore set forth.

2. In combination with a money-pad or change-tablet, the attached legs or supports, secured in sockets or upon the surface, substantially as and for the purposes shown and described.

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