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Coin-Package.

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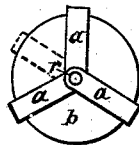


Fig. 1

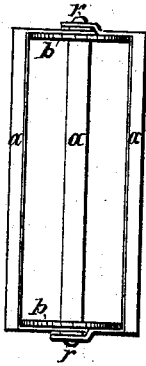


Fig. 2

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IMPROVEMENT IN COIN-PACKAGES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, OSCAR A. DENNIS, of Syracuse, in the county of Onondaga, in the State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Coin-Packages, of which the following, taken in connection with the accompanying drawing, is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to coin-packages designed to serve as a self-counter of the coin contained therein, also to give access to the coin for examination without opening the package, and to be capable of being readily filled and emptied without breaking the package or otherwise impairing its future utility.

The object of the invention is to provide a coin-package which shall be simple and comparatively inexpensive in construction, and admit of being opened at any point of its circumference; and it consists, essentially, in the combination of circular end plates and three or more bars or bands bent at right angles near their ends, and pivoted at their extremities, respectively, to the said end plates, all as hereinafter more fully described.

In the accompanying drawing, Figure 1 is an end view of the coin-package, illustrating the mode of filling the same with coin; and Fig. 2 is a side view of the coin-package.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

a a represent the bars or bands, of metal or other suitable and strong material, bent at a

right angle at the requisite distance from their ends, and pivoted at their extremities to the center of circular heads or end plates, *b*, of the package.

It will be observed that by swinging either of the bands *a* into the position indicated by dotted lines in Fig. 1 of the drawing the package can be readily filled or emptied without impairing its future utility as a coin-package, and by making the bands of a proper length the number of coins to be contained between the ends is determined without the necessity of counting them. When the package is filled the bars *a a* are swung into such position relative to each other as to confine the coin between them, as illustrated by full lines in Fig. 1 of the drawing.

Having described my invention, what I claim is—

A coin-package constructed of circular heads or end pieces, *b b*, and longitudinal bands *a a*, bent near their ends and pivoted to the said heads, so as to allow each band to swing on the pivot irrespective of the others, substantially as described and shown, for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 13th day of November, 1878.

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