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Pin-ticket for Fabrics and the Like.


To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Alonzo Kimball, a citizen of the United States, and resident of New York, county of New York, State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pin-Tickets for Fabrics and the Like, of which the following is a specification.

The present invention relates to pin tickets or tags adapted to be fastened to articles of clothing, pieces of cloth or fabrics of any kind or papers or other materials to which such tickets or tags are ordinarily attached, or may be attached.

In the employment of pin tickets for attachment to knitted, woven or felt goods, or to papers or documents of any kind, one of the objects to be attained is that of covering the extremities of the fastener so that such extremities shall not enter or interfere with adjacent articles of the same kind to which the fastener is attached or to other materials with which the ticketed article is liable to come in contact. Pin tickets of this general character are sometimes attached to goods by machinery, and in other cases it is convenient, and preferable for certain reasons to attach the same by hand either by means of an ordinary household pin or by some other removable fastener.

The illustrations accompanying the present application show pin tickets, particularly adapted to be attached to goods or papers of any kind by means of household pins; although the invention may be utilized for employment with any suitable sort of fastener, the main object being to cover the ends of the pin or fastener so that there shall be no danger of said ends catching in other goods or materials lying next to the ticketed material.

In the drawings, I have illustrated several different embodiments of pin tickets, the principle of said tickets, being, however, carried out in every one of the illustrated forms.

Figures 1 and 2 illustrate, respectively, the open and closed position of one form of pin ticket, the same being shown as applied to a suitable fabric; Figs. 3 and 4 illustrate a modification; Figs. 5 and 6 another modification; Figs. 7 and 8 still another modification applied to a fabric or material; and Figs. 9 and 10 still another modification.

It will be understood that these forms of pin ticket are shown for purposes of illustration and that the invention is not confined to the forms herein illustrated, but is defined by the appended claims.

Referring to Figs. 1 and 2 of the drawing, 1 is a pin ticket having openings, 2, 3 and 4, a slot 5, and a tongue, 6, as shown. The two openings 3 and 4 are adapted to receive the body of a household pin, 7, or other removable fastener which is adapted not only to be passed through the said openings, but also through the fabric, paper, or other material, 8, to which a pin ticket is to be attached. The head of the pin is adapted to rest within the opening 2 whereby the pin head is partially protected by the thickness of the material forming the ticket and further protected, as will be presently described, by the folding of the ticket in the operation of completing the attachment to the fabric or other material.

The ticket itself may be made of cardboard, Manila paper, or other suitable paper, or material capable of being easily marked.

In order to complete the attachment of the pin ticket for the purposes described herein, the lower part of the ticket shown in Fig. 1 may be folded upward on the dotted line 9 and a portion thereof including the tongue 6 may be folded back on the upper end of the ticket shown, at 90° and the tongue may then be inserted in the slot 5 after which operation the ticket, duly attached to the fabric or other suitable material, appears in the form shown in Fig. 2 whereby the pin itself and also the tongue 6 are completely covered and the outer side of the pin ticket presents an absolutely smooth surface so that there is no danger of its catching into or interfering with other goods lying next to the pin ticket or the material to which it is applied.

In Fig. 1, the part of the ticket above the line 9 may be termed the pin-carrying portion, and the part to be folded over upon such pin-carrying portion may be termed a flap.

In Figs. 3 and 4 the tongue 6 is attached to the shorter fold of the pin ticket adjacent the pin-carrying portion while the slot 5 appears in the longer fold or flap. Here, after the attachment of the ticket to the goods by means of a pin in a manner similar to that shown in Figs. 1 and 2, the lower and longer fold or flap is turned upward and the shorter fold is turned down so that the tongue 6 may be inserted into the slot 5 from the outside. This produces a pin ticket illustrated in its
completed form in Fig. 4, wherein the pin is fully covered by the flap, and wherein the tongue is also covered, but wherein a break occurs at the joint where the upper fold including the tongue 6 meets the lower fold including the slot 5. In both cases the fold is fastened down upon the pin-carrying portion of the ticket independently of the pin carried thereby.

In the form illustrated in Figs. 5 and 6 the slot 5 is made in a larger fold at the top of the ticket 1 and the tongue 6 is formed on a comparatively long fold on the said ticket, so that when the parts are turned together as shown in Fig. 6 the tongue passes from the outside into the slot 5 and the outer side of the ticket covers both the pin 7 and the tongue 6, leaving only a joint between the upper and lower folds as in Figs. 3 and 4.

In Figs. 7 and 8 the tongue and slot are replaced by a pasted surface at one end of the pin ticket, as shown at 10. When the pin has been attached to the fabric or other material, one-half of the ticket, provided with the glued surface 10, is turned over, and when the glued surface has been wetted and applied to the corresponding surface at the other end of the ticket, the two ends may be made to stick together, thereby protecting the pin and presenting an absolutely smooth external surface on the ticket.

In Figs. 9 and 10 the glued portion 10 of the ticket is formed on an end somewhat longer than the portion to which the pin or other removable fastener is applied and after the attachment has been made by means of the fastener, the glued portion is wetted and turned over and sealed against the back of the other part of the ticket. In this way also the outwardly facing surface of the ticket is absolutely smooth and there is no danger of its becoming tangled or otherwise engaged with the surface of materials lying next to the ticket or the goods to which it is attached.

By means of the pin ticket herein described, very convenient means are provided for attaching to goods tickets duly marked with legends indicating the names of the merchants or senders, the character of the goods sent or on sale, the price of the same, or giving any other convenient data, whereby the needs and requirements of merchants or users of tickets of this character are readily subserved.

I claim as my invention:

1. The combination with a material to be marked, of a pin-ticket attached to one side only thereof, the said ticket comprising a portion attached to the said material and adapted to receive a removable fastener for effecting the attachment of the ticket to the material, a flap adapted to be folded directly upon such portion, so as to completely cover the fastener, and means independent of the fastener to fasten the folded flap to the portion of the ticket in which the fastener is inserted.

2. The combination with a material to be marked, of a pin-ticket attached to one side only thereof, the said ticket comprising a portion attached to the said material, and adapted to receive a removable fastener for effecting the attachment of the ticket to the material, a flap adapted to be folded directly upon such portion, so as to completely cover the fastener, and means for fastening the folded flap to the portion of the ticket in which the fastener is inserted, said means comprising a tongue formed on one end of the ticket to enter a slot formed in the ticket near its other end.

3. The combination with a material to be marked, of a pin-ticket attached to one side only thereof, the said ticket comprising a portion attached to the said material, the said portion being provided with openings to receive a removable fastener, the latter penetrating the attached material between the openings, a flap adapted to be folded upon the fastener-receiving portion, so as to cover the said fastener, and means independent of the fastener for securing the folded-over flap to the portion of the ticket in which the fastener is inserted.

4. A pin-ticket having a pin-carrying portion adapted to be attached to the fabric and provided with three slitted openings to receive a removable fastener, two of the openings receiving the body of the fastener at each side of the portion of the attached material penetrated by the fastener, and the other opening receiving the head thereof, a flap adapted to be folded over and to cover the said fastener, and means for fastening the folded over flap down upon the portion of the ticket in which the fastener is inserted.

Signed at New York, in the county of New York, and State of New York, this 19th day of March, A.D. 1906.

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