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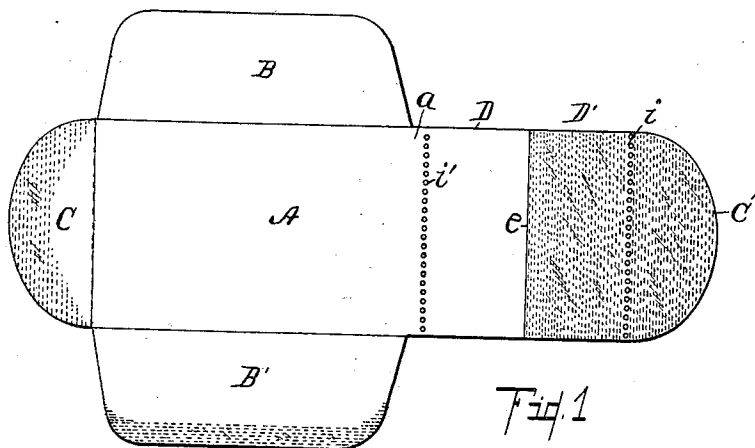


Fig. 1

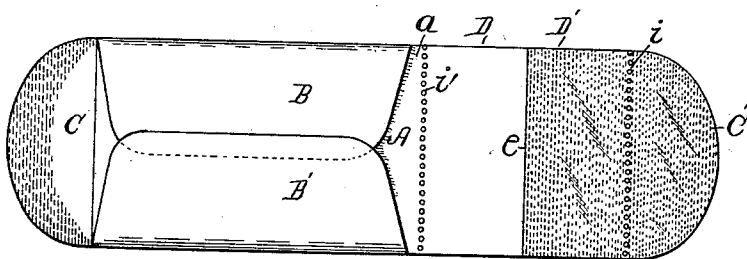


Fig. 2

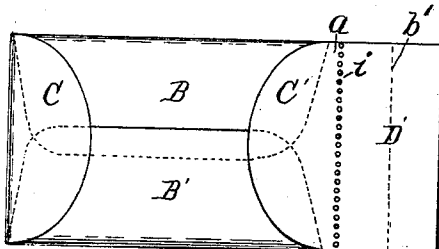


Fig. 3

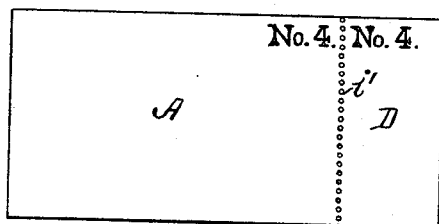


Fig. 4

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK P. D'ARCY, a citizen of the United States, residing at the city of Kalamazoo, in the county of Kalamazoo and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Envelops, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in envelops. It is more particularly designed and intended as an improvement in envelops for jewelers' use, though of course it will have appropriate uses in other departments of trade.

The objects of this invention are, first, to provide an envelop which shall avoid the mistake so common in the identification of articles of jewelry where a check or coupon is given for identification purposes by making it practically impossible to give a wrong coupon in connection with the envelop, and, second, to provide an envelop of the class described which shall be simple to construct and easy to operate and not expensive to manufacture.

Further objects will definitely appear in the detail description to follow.

I accomplish these objects of my invention by the devices and means described in this specification.

The invention is clearly pointed out and defined in the claims.

The structure is fully illustrated in the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is an illustration of the blank from which my improved envelop is formed. Fig. 2 shows the envelop after the side flaps have been folded and stuck together. Fig. 3 shows the back of the envelop with the coupon attached after it has been sealed. Fig. 4 shows only the front of the envelop with the coupon attached after it has been sealed.

In the drawings similar letters of reference refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

In Fig. 1 the blank from which the envelop is formed is illustrated. It will be observed that it consists of a main or body portion A, with flaps B B' at each side, one of which is suitably gummed, and an end flap C, also suitably gummed. It will be observed that the flaps B B' do not extend quite to the end

of the body portion A, but there is a narrow strip *a* projecting beyond these two flaps. When the flaps B B' are folded and stuck together, they appear as in Fig. 2, when it will be noted that the narrow part *a* of the body-blank is exposed beyond the ends of the flap, the object of which will be apparent soon. Extending from the opposite end of the blank to the flap C is an elongate flap consisting of two main portions D D' and an end portion C'. When the envelop is completed, the end portions D D', with flaps C', are stuck down onto the envelop, as appears in Fig. 3, and a row of perforations *i* is cut through the same to make the double portion easily detachable. Additional rows of perforations might be put through, as at *b'*, to form additional checks or coupons. The object of doubling the paper at this point is to secure a check or coupon of sufficient stiffness to serve the purpose, a single sheet of paper not being sufficient. In use an article of jewelry or other article is inserted at the open end and the flap C is sealed down. In this way the back of the envelop appears as in Fig. 3 and the front as in Fig. 4. In Fig. 4 the envelop is shown numbered, so also is the coupon to correspond, and any number of coupons might be extended on the structure as it there appears and be made easily detachable by successive rows of perforations.

It will be observed that with my improved combination coupon and envelop it can be cut from paper with very little waste, which is of great advantage in the successful manufacture of an article of this kind.

It is needless to remark that advertising matter, directions for use, identification devices, or what not may be printed on the envelops and coupons, the user suiting his purpose or fancy in this way.

I also desire to state, as I have before intimated, that my improved envelop is of special advantage for the use of jewelers. It can also be used by opticians and by baggage-transfer companies for the reception of checks of customers, which can be identified by the coupon in this way.

The structure of the envelop might be varied by extending the flaps D D' to one side instead of at one end. It will, however, be

found preferable to extend the flaps at the end of the envelop, as it makes the structure much more compact and satisfactory. The outer flap C' should be so gummed and a portion at *a* left projecting beyond the envelop to receive the gummed portion, so that the envelop is certain to be sealed in this way.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a combined envelop and coupon or check, an envelop consisting of a blank having a body portion A, side flaps B, B', suitably gummed and a little cut away at one end of the body-blank and extended portion D, D', C', gummed and folded upon the body portion of the blank and upon itself to form a coupon and a flap C, at the opposite end for

closing the envelop in use, for the purpose specified.

2. In a combined envelop and coupon or check, the combination of the body portion A suitably gummed; side flaps B, B'; end flap C; and extended end flap C' suitably gummed; a space *a* formed by the cutting away of the side pieces B, B' so that when the extended end piece C' is folded upon itself and over the space *a* the envelop remains securely sealed after the coupon or check is severed from the envelop, as specified.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal in the presence of two witnesses.

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