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CHANGEABLE PRICE TAG

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Fig. 1.

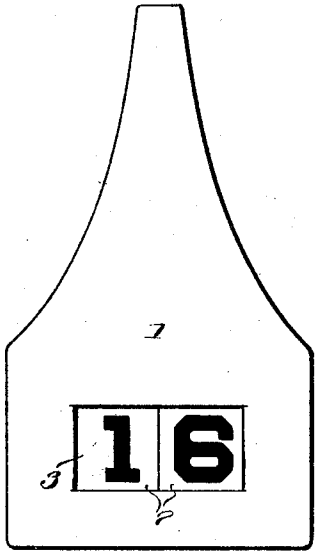
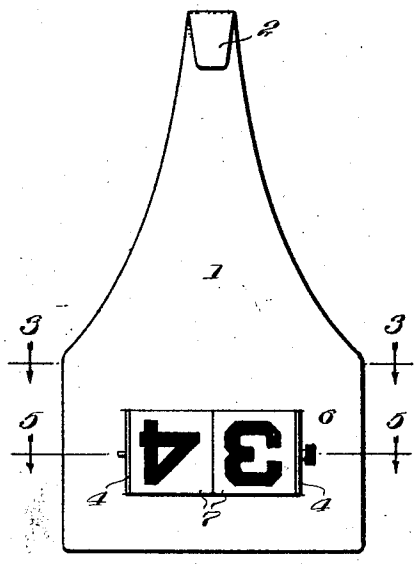


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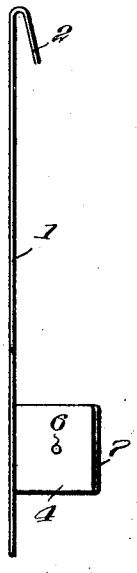


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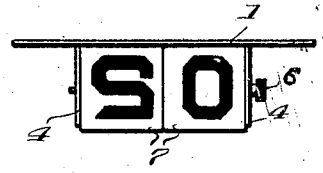
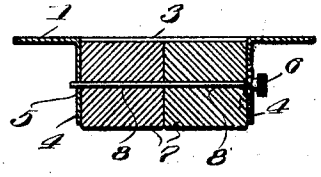


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN L. GARLAND, a citizen of the United States, residing at Youngstown, in the county of Mahoning and State of Ohio, have invented new and useful Improvements in Changeable Price Tags, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my said invention is the provision of a changeable price tag characterized by neatness in appearance and by the embodiment of rotatable members bearing numerals whereby the price indicating figures of the tag may be expeditiously and easily changed at the will of the party or parties having authority over the tag.

To the attainment of the foregoing, the invention consists in the improvements as hereinafter described and definitely claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification:—

Figure 1 is a face view or front elevation of the tag constituting the best practical embodiment of my invention of which I am cognizant.

Figure 2 is a rear elevation of the same.

Figure 3 is a horizontal section taken in the plane indicated by the line 3—3 of Figure 2, looking downwardly.

Figure 4 is an edge or side elevation of the tag.

Figure 5 is a horizontal section taken in the plane indicated by the line 5—5 of Figure 2 looking downwardly.

Similar numerals of reference designate corresponding parts in all of the views of the drawings.

Among other elements my novel tag comprises a body 1, the said body 1 being preferably formed of a single piece of sheet metal and is provided at its upper end with a hook 2 by which it may be suspended from an appropriate support. In the lower and comparatively large portion of the body is formed an opening 3, the said opening 3 being preferably produced by striking portions 4 of the sheet metal from the large portion of the body and bending the said portions 4 rearwardly into positions at right angles to the major portion of the body as clearly illustrated. In the said portions 4 which are adapted to serve the purpose of brackets are formed alined apertures 5 for the reception of a pin 6 which is preferably, though not necessarily, removable. At this point I desire it understood that while the pin 6 is preferably removable it is not essential and therefore the pin as well as the apertures 5 in the record portions 4 may be altogether omitted without involving departure from the scope of my invention as claimed.

In association with the body 1 I employ two cubes 7, preferably of wood, and each bearing on its sides figures as illustrated, one of the cubes for example bearing the figures 0, 1, 2, 3 and the other cube bearing by example the figures 0, 4, 5, 6, one figure to each side of each cube. At this point I desire it understood that my invention contemplates the provision with each tag of an auxiliary cube which for instance can bear on its sides the figures 5, 7, 8 and 9, the said auxiliary cube and the other cubes being provided with transverse apertures 8 to receive the pin 6 when it is deemed expedient to employ the latter.

In the practical use of my novel changeable tag it will be observed that the figures on the cubes or blocks are readable from a point in front of the tag through the opening 3 in the large portion of the tag, and in consequence the tag not only displays the price indicating figures to advantage, but is neat and finished in appearance and hence is calculated to enhance the neat appearance of the goods on which the tag is employed.

When it is desired to change the price displayed by the tag it is simply necessary for the person in authority to turn one or both of the blocks about their common axis, when as will be readily observed a fresh number will be displayed through the opening 3 in the body 1.

When the body 1 is formed of thin and resilient sheet metal as is preferred the pin 6 is not essential for in that case the tendency of the bracket portions 4 to spring toward each other may be depended upon to clasp and hold the cubes or blocks between the said bracket portions.

In addition to the practical advantages ascribed to my novel tag, it will be manifest that the tag is extremely simple and inex-

pensive in construction and is adapted to last with ordinary usage for an indefinite period of time.

Having described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters-Patent, is:—

A changeable tag comprising a body of resilient sheet metal having an opening and rearwardly directed resilient bracket portions at opposite sides of said opening, and cubes interposed between and held in side by side relation by said bracket portions and having numerals on their sides.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature

JOHN L. GARLAND.