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PARCEL CARRIER.

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Fig. 1.

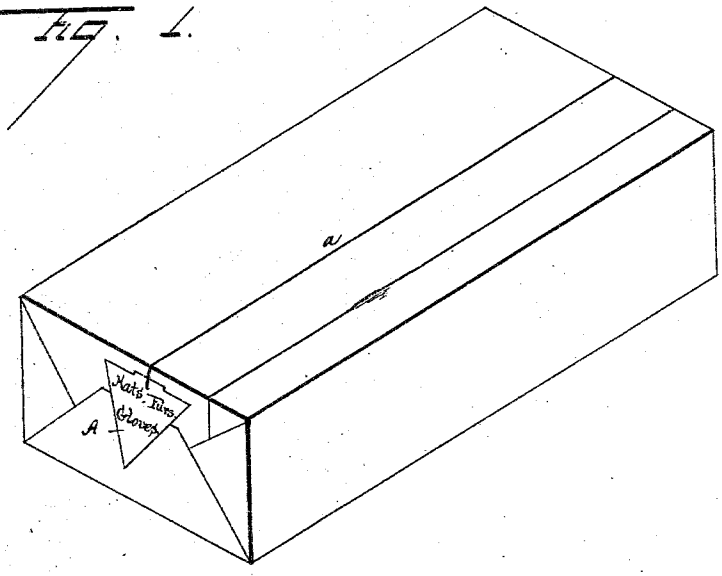


Fig. 2.

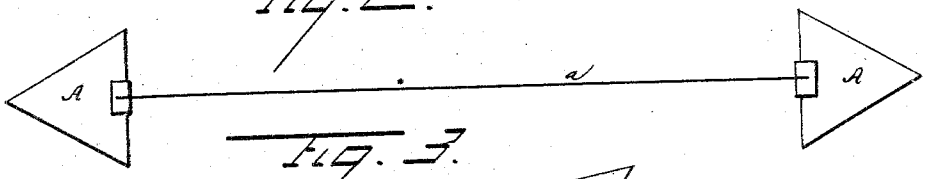
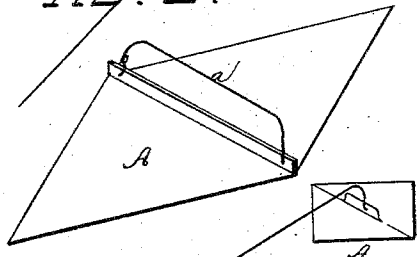
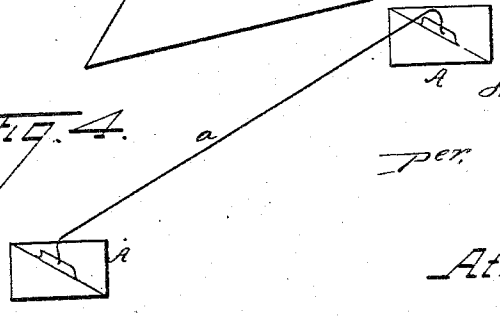


Fig. 3.



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Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY H. TOBIAS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Parcel Fastener and Handle, of which the following is a specification, to wit:

This invention relates to devices for securing packages and parcels; and it consists of two pieces of paper or other suitable material coated on one side with an adhesive substance, and the two connected by a wire, cord, or tape, substantially as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a view of a parcel secured by my device, and Figs. 2, 3, and 4 are views of different forms of the device.

A represents a piece of paper, cloth, rubber, or other suitable material, preferably of the form shown in the drawings, having one side, or so much thereof as may be necessary, coated with an adhesive substance, by which the device is attached to the package or parcel. Two of these pieces are used, connected by a wire, cord, or tape.

This invention is intended for use by merchants in the putting up of light parcels and packages after sale, and is attached by its adhesive substance to the folded ends of the wrapper which surrounds the package.

While I have shown in Fig. 3 a single piece of material formed with a fold in the center, to which a handle is attached, as a modified form of my invention, I prefer to use two diamond-shaped pieces having either the whole or simply the two ends gummed, according to its size, and one of these diamond-shaped pieces is attached by its adherent to each end of the package by pasting over the folded ends of the wrapper, as shown in the drawings.

This device saves both string and time in wrapping up packages in stores. It is made of any size or form desired, and, while holding them firmly, serves also as handles by which they can be carried. When the device is used as shown by Figs. 1, 3, and 4, the handle serves also to connect the two portions of the fastener and keep the package closed.

It is obvious that any material can be used in the manufacture of these articles—such as rubber, cloth, paper, or a combination of them—having sufficient flexibility to accommodate them easily to the angles of the parcel, coated with gum-shellac or other adhesive substance, and connected by a handle of wire, cord, tape, or paper, and this handle may be secured within the folds of the fastener, as represented in the drawings, or to eyelets or other strengthening devices, to prevent pulling out, and it is intended to provide one side of the fastener with a printed advertisement of the person using it.

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

A parcel-fastener consisting of two pieces of flexible material coated upon one side with an adhesive substance and connected by a strip of wire, cord, or tape, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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