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NO MODEL.

Fig. 1.

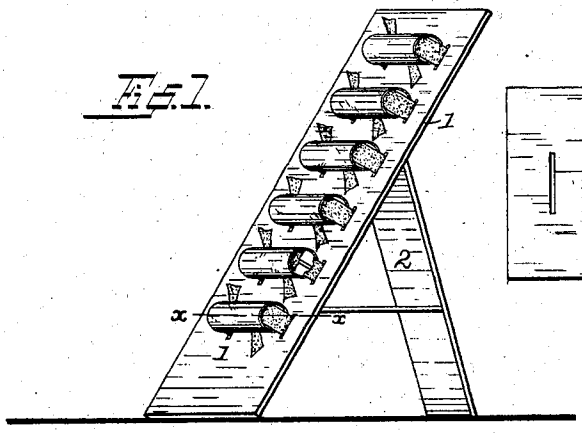


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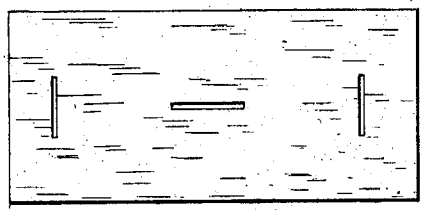


Fig. 2.

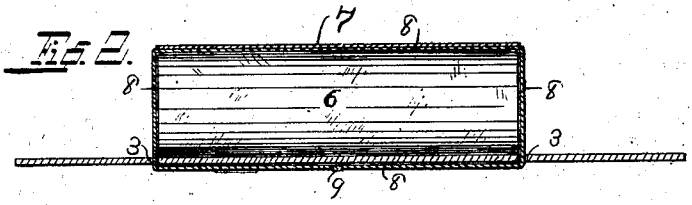


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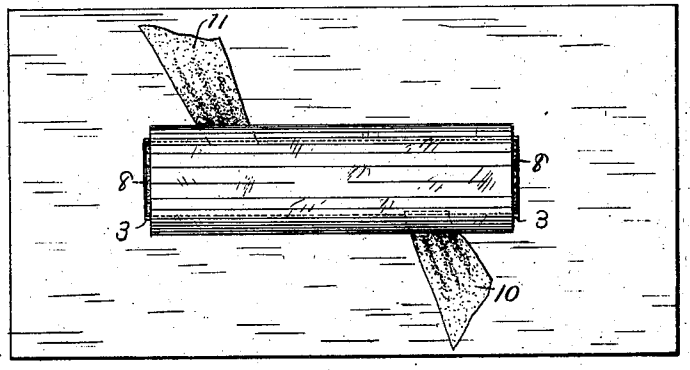
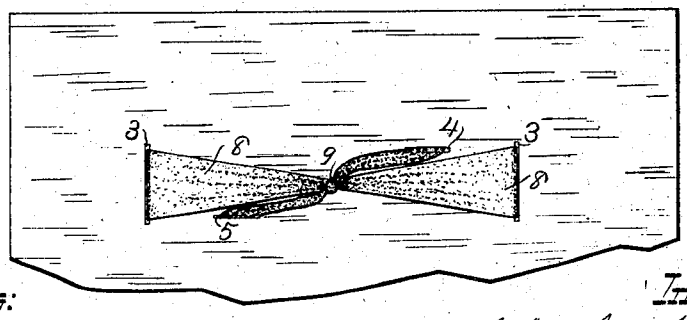


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN JAY LEPPER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Milwaukee, county of Milwaukee, and State of Wisconsin, have invented new and useful Improvements in Package-Supports, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in package-supports, with especial reference to that class of supports used in connection with advertising-cartons, wherein a number of packages are mounted upon a card containing advertising matter and supported by the card upon a counter, wall, or other supporting-surface in a conspicuous position.

Heretofore packages have ordinarily been secured to the cards by means of rubber bands or hooks; but in such cases the packages are easily removed and are frequently stolen or damaged.

The object of my invention is to provide a neat form of fastening whereby the packages may be secured to the card in a manner which will not permit the removal except by a destruction of the fastening itself or by untying the knot in the rear of the carton.

In the following description reference is had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a carton to which my invention is applied. Fig. 2 is a sectional view drawn on line $x\,x$ of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a front view in detail, showing one of the fastenings. Fig. 4 is a rear view of a portion of a carton, and Fig. 5 is a similar view showing a modified arrangement of the slits in the carton.

Like parts are identified by the same reference-numerals throughout the several views.

1 is an advertising card or carton equipped with an ordinary form of brace 2, whereby it may be supported upon a counter or shelf. The card 1 is provided with sets of slits 3, 3, 4, and 5, Fig. 4, which facilitates the attachment of the packages, as heretofore explained.

6 is a package inclosed by a wrapper 7 wound thereon. In winding the wrapper upon the package a ribbon 8 is interposed between the package and the wrapper, with the ends of the ribbon projecting. The ends of the ribbon are then passed through the slits 3 in the carton and secured together by means of a central knot 9 in the rear of the carton, the extremities of the ribbon being then passed through the slits 4 and 5, respectively, and caused to project from underneath the package along the front surface of the carton, as indicated at 10 and 11 in Fig. 3. It will be observed, Figs. 1 and 2, that the ribbon is made to cross the package. It is therefore impossible to remove the package without either severing the ribbon 8 or untying the knot 9, and, if desired, the ribbon 8 may be made in part of metal to prevent its separation by means of an ordinary tool or knife.

Owing to the fact that the ribbon is secured to the package by means of a wrapper, which incloses both the package and the fastening-ribbon, it is possible to support any form of package by means of this device, whether the same consists of a bottle, box, bag, or any other style of receptacle.

While I have described the above invention as embodying the use of a ribbon, I do not limit my claims to the provision of a flat band nor to the use of any specific material, as it will be obvious that twine, wire, or any other form of a flexible fastening-strip may be employed, although ribbon is preferred, for the reason that it holds the packages (especially where bottles are used) with greater rigidity and is also much neater in appearance, the object of exposing the extremities 10 and 11 upon the front surface of the carton being to add to the attractiveness of the carton.

It will of course be understood that it is not necessary that the wrapper should wholly inclose or encircle the package, as any covering which crosses the holding device or ribbon, whether secured by passing it around the package or by means of the usual adhesive surfacing or in any other suitable manner, is effective for the purpose. The use of the ordinary label or wrapper is, however, preferred.

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

1. The combination with a suitable support; of a package; a wrapper inclosing the same; a flexible fastening-strip interposed between the wrapper and the package, and projecting in the respective ends thereof, the ends of the fastening being passed through

the support at each end of the package, and secured together by means of a knot in the rear of the package.

2. The combination with a suitable support; of a package; a wrapper therefor; a flexible holding device interposed between the wrapper and the package on one side of the latter, said flexible holding device being extended across the ends of the package and through suitable apertures in the rear of the support.

3. The combination with a support; a package mounted thereon; a wrapper inclosing the package; a flexible band interposed between the wrapper and the package on the side of the package farthest from the support, said band being extended across the ends of the package and through suitable apertures in the support, the ends of the band being secured together in the rear of the support.

4. The combination with a support; a package mounted thereon; a wrapper inclosing the package; a flexible band interposed between the wrapper and the package on the side of the package farthest from the support, said band being extended across the ends of the package and through suitable apertures in the support, the ends of the band being secured together in the rear of the support, said support being formed to permit the exposure of the extremities of the band upon the front surface of the support and at the sides of the package.

5. The combination with a package provided with an inclosing wrapper; of a flexible holding device, interposed between the wrapper, and projecting at the respective ends thereof, whereby the package may be secured to a suitable support.

6. The combination with a package provided with an inclosing wrapper; of a flexible holding device, interposed between the wrapper, and projecting at the respective ends thereof; a suitable support provided with means for engaging the ends of said holding device; and means for securing the ends of the holding device.

7. The combination of a support; a package mounted thereon; a holding device crossing the outer surface of the package and extending through suitable apertures in the support; and a covering for the holding device, securing the same to the package.

8. The combination of a support; a package mounted thereon; a holding device binding the package to the support; and a covering arranged to secure the holding device to the package.

9. The combination of a support; a receptacle mounted thereon; a holding device crossing the receptacle on the opposite side thereof from that in contact with the support, and having projecting ends interlocking with the support; and a covering inclosing the outer portion of the receptacle and the holding device.

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

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