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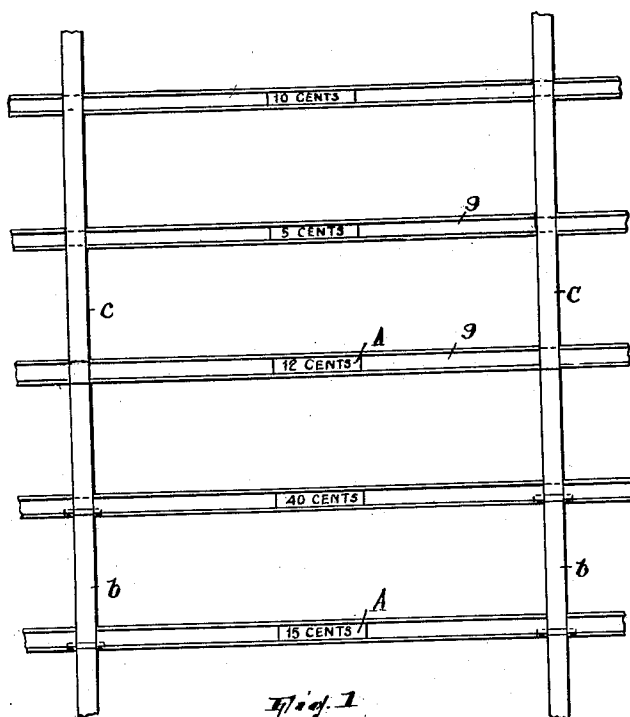


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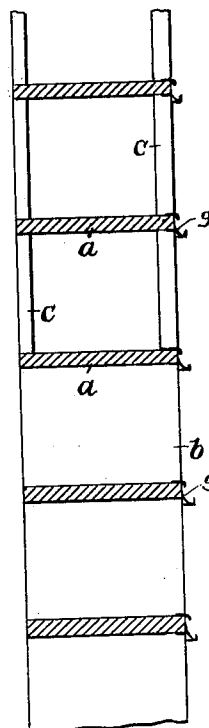


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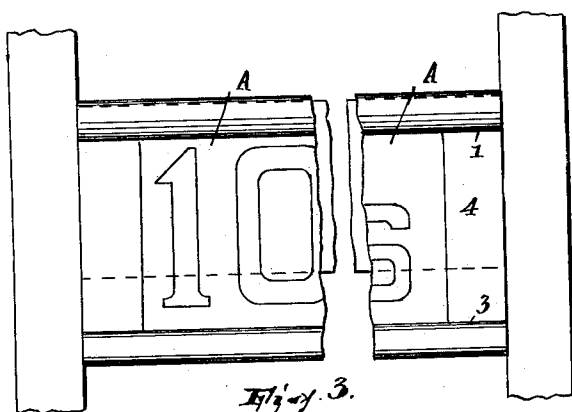


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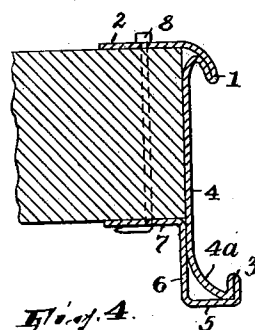


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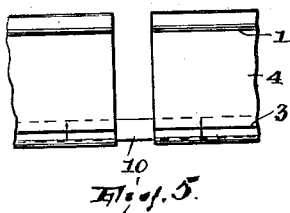


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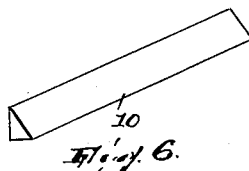


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Store shelving is usually provided with a strip of wood molding which is nailed thereto and to which the price tags for the different articles displayed on the shelves are attached, sometimes directly and sometimes by means of sheet metal holders. This becomes split and broken and detracts from the appearance of the shelving and in addition the price-tags cannot be readily shifted to various positions along the shelves. My object is to replace this by molding adapted to receive the price-tags and permit their shifting to any position and which shall itself be strong and durable and strongly reinforce the shelves and which may be manufactured at little expense and readily attached to the shelves.

In the drawing,

Fig. 1 is a front elevation of shelving equipped with my improved molding;

Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view thereof;

Fig. 3 is a fragmentary front elevation thereof on a larger scale;

Fig. 4 a fragmentary cross-sectional view of a shelf and the improved molding;

Fig. 5 is a fragmentary front elevation of two of the moldings alined with each other, showing how they may be connected; and

Fig. 6 is a perspective view of the dowel to form the connection shown in Fig. 5.

It is not material what form the shelving takes. In the drawing the shelves are designated *a* and the lower ones are shown supported by and between the uprights *b* whereas the upper ones are shown supported by pilasters *c*.

Having a strip blank of strong sheet metal, such blank is rebent on a line parallel with one of its longitudinal edges, as at 1, and this rebent is bent to overhang what I term the front face of the blank, thus forming a tag-holding projection; the portion 2 of the blank outwardly flanking the projection is left projecting as a lip from the opposite or rear face of the blank at substantially a right angle thereto. The blank is also rebent on another line parallel with its opposite longitudinal edge, as at 3, and this rebent is bent to overhang said front face of the blank, thus forming a tag-holding projection, but this rebent is in a vertical plane somewhat forward of that of rebent 1, as by bending forward the lower portion 4a of the intervening or body part 4 of the blank; the portion of the blank outwardly flanking the projection 3 is first angularly bent rearward, as at 5, then angularly upward, as at 6, and then angularly rearward, as at 7, so as to project from the rear face of the blank and form a lip substan-

tially parallel with and spaced from the lip at 2.

In other words, when the molding has been fitted to the shelving, applied against its edge as shown with its lips 2 and 7 bearing against the upper and lower surfaces, respectively, of the shelf and preferably secured thereto by driving nails 8 through the shelf and lips and bending over their entering ends, a tag-holding molding or tag-holder is produced which greatly reinforces the shelf because of the return flange which exists at 4a, 5 and 6. The tags are indicated at A. This return flange is preferably below rather than above the shelf, since in the former position it presents no objectionable obstruction.

In Figs. 1 and 2 the molding is designated by character 9.

While I prefer that the molding shall extend the full length of the shelf from one support to the other I do not wish to be limited thereto. The depth of the molding is desirably greater than the thickness of the shelf so that a tag of adequate depth may be accommodated, and if the molding has the mentioned reinforcing flange it will be better adapted to withstand accidental blows which might otherwise mutilate or mis-shape it.

If the shelving is so constructed that the molding projects beyond the front faces of the supports the adjoining ends of two adjoining moldings may be positively kept in alinement with each other and the system of shelving further reinforced by the connections 10, here consisting of cross-sectionally triangular dowels fitted into their flanges, as shown in Figs. 5 and 6, which are in effect triangular-tubular in cross-section.

Having thus fully described my invention what I claim is:

1. Shelf molding consisting of a blank of stiff sheet material having tag-holding projections reaching toward each other and adapted to receive a tag, the portion of the blank outwardly flanking one such projection being bent off and extending past the plane of the part of the blank intervening between said projections and forming a lip and the portion of the blank outwardly flanking the other projection being also bent off and extending past said plane, then bent at substantially a right angle and toward, and then bent in another substantial right angle and in substantially the same direction as but spaced from, the first portion and having its free end forming a lip to coact with the first lip to receive the shelf-edge between them.

2. In combination, with shelving, alined moldings applied to an edge of the shelving and each having upper and lower tag-holding projections

reaching toward each other, said moldings having alined tubular portions, and a dowel fitted into said tubular portions and holding the moldings alined with each other.

- 5 3. In combination, with shelving comprising spaced uprights and a shelf supported by the uprights, molding extending from substantially one to the other upright and consisting of a strip of stiff sheet material affixed to the shelf in cover-

ing relation to its outer edge and having at its exposed face tag-holding means, a portion of the strip extending below the plane of the under surface of the shelf and having a part thereof bent upwardly and conforming to a vertical plane and bearing against said under surface, said portion thereby forming an underneath flange reinforcing the shelf.

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