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Fig. 1.

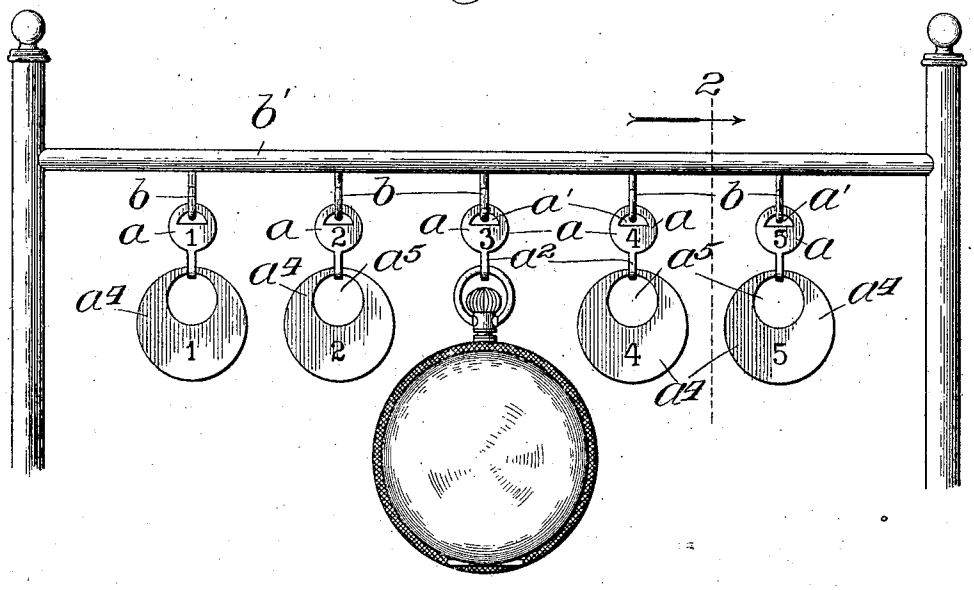
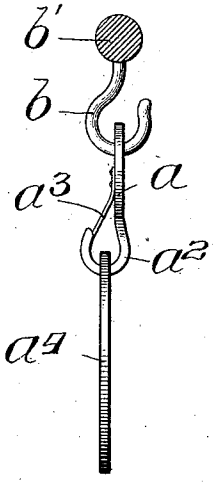


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM G. LANDT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Watch-Checking Devices, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates particularly to means for checking watches; and my primary object is to provide a device for use by jewelers, watchmakers, repairers, and others whereby each watch which is brought in for repair may be securely hung up in a manner to enable its ready identification.

It may be preliminarily stated that it is usual for repairers to hang watches undergoing repairs upon a rack in order that they may be at hand for repair purposes, regulating, and to be handed out to the owners upon presentation of the proper checks or receipts therefor.

It is the special purpose of my invention to render it easy for the repairer to at once find the watch which he desires, whether for the purpose of regulating or delivery to the owner.

My invention is illustrated in its preferred embodiment in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a rack provided with hooks upon which are suspended checks of my improved construction, one of the checks having the customer's portion removed and a watch substituted for the removed portion; and Fig. 2, a section taken as indicated at line 2 of Fig. 1.

The invention comprises, preferably, a metallic tag a, provided at its upper portion with a hook-receiving perforation a' and at its lower portion with an integrally-formed hook a^2, with which coacts a spring a^3, secured to the back of the tag a, and a metallic check a^4, having a hook-receiving perforation a^5 at its upper portion, the check portion and the tag portion being provided on their front faces with corresponding numerals. In Fig. 1 I have shown a number of my improved devices supported on hooks b, carried by the cross-bar b' of a rack b^2. The devices are numbered in order, and it will be understood that each repairer ordinarily will have a sufficient number of the combination tags and checks to enable their use in connection with all watches which may be left with him for repair. The device may of course be used for any desired purpose; but it has been especially devised for use as a combination tag and check.

When a patron calls upon a watch-repairer and leaves his watch to be repaired or regulated, the repairer takes from the rack one of the combination tags and checks, removes the check, and hands it to the customer, substitutes the watch for the check, and replaces the tag upon its hook, with the number of the tag in view of the repairer. It is obvious that when ordinary care is exercised in placing the tags, with the watches suspended therefrom, upon the hooks the numbers of the tags will always be turned in one direction, so that it will be possible for the repairer to see at a glance the watch which he may desire. The use of the device therefore results in a great saving of time, and in many cases its use will result in the prevention of fraud, since, for instance, where the rack is placed in a window the numbers on the tags may be presented in a direction to prevent the public generally from seeing them.

What I regard as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A combination tag and check of the character set forth, comprising a metal tag provided with an unobstructed hook-receiving perforation and equipped at its lower portion with an integrally-formed hook, and a metal check having a perforation engaging said hook, said tag and check bearing corresponding numbers, for the purpose set forth.

2. A combination tag and check of the character set forth, comprising a metal tag provided at its upper portion with a hook-receiving perforation and at its lower portion with a rearwardly and upwardly turned hook, a spring on the rear side of said tag coacting with said hook, a number on the front side of said tag, and a metal check having at its upper portion a perforation receiving said hook and at its lower portion a number corresponding with the number on said tag, for the purpose set forth.

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