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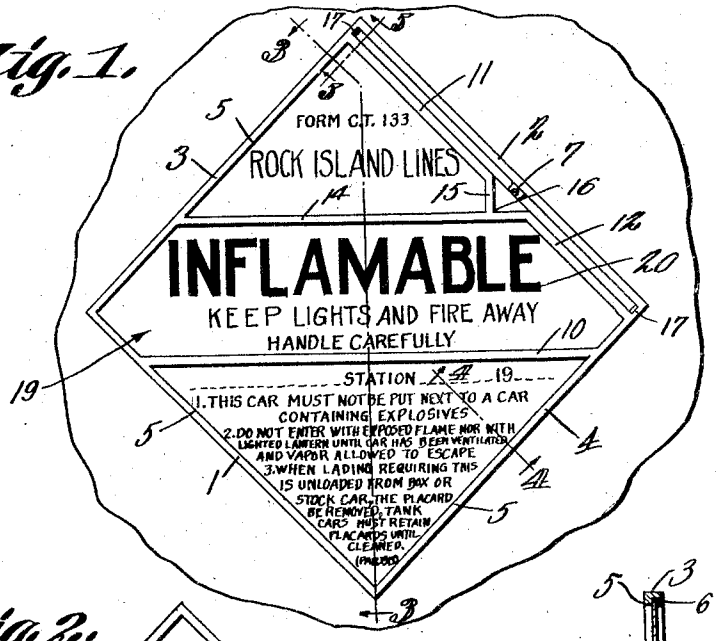


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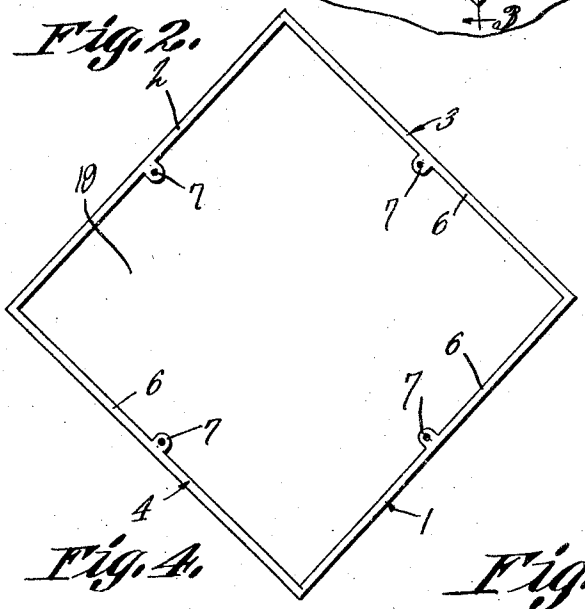


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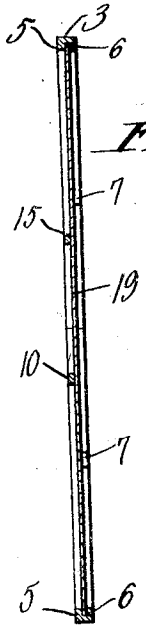


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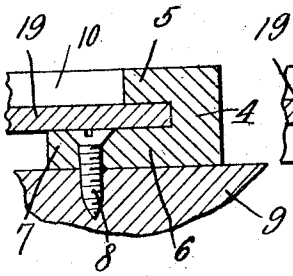
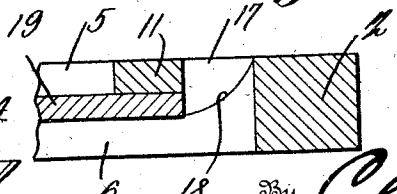


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDGAR JOSHUA PALMER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Wichita, in the county of Sedgwick and State of Kansas, have invented a new and useful Card Holder, of which the following is a specification.

The device forming the subject matter of this application is adapted to be used wherever it is desired to hold a card in place, the structure being intended, primarily, to retain upon railway freight cars, cards indicating the dangerous nature of the contents of the cars.

The device aims to provide a simple frame so constructed that the card may be inserted readily thereinto and with equal facility be removed therefrom, means being provided for retaining the card against accidental displacement.

It is within the province of the disclosure to improve generally and to enhance the utility of devices of that type to which the invention appertains.

With the above and other objects in view, which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention resides in the combination and arrangement of parts and in the details of construction hereinafter described and claimed, it being understood that, within the scope of what is claimed, changes in the precise embodiment of the invention shown can be made without departing from the spirit of the invention.

In the accompanying drawings:—

Figure 1 shows in plan, a device constructed in accordance with the invention; Figure 2 is a rear elevation, the card being in place; Figure 3 is a section on the line 3—3 of Figure 1; Figure 4 is a section on the line 4—4 of Figure 1; and Figure 5 is a section on the line 5—5 of Figure 1.

In carrying out the invention there is provided a rectangular frame comprising bars 1 and 2, disposed in parallel relation and opposite to each other, the frame including bars 3 and 4, disposed in parallel relation and opposite to each other, the bars 3 and 4 being disposed at right angles to the bars 1 and 2. The bars 4, 1 and 3, each have an overhanging outer flange 5 and an underlying inner flange 6, the bar 2 being devoid of these flanges. Ears 7 project inwardly from the flanges 5 and 6, and from the bar 2, the ears being adapted to receive securing elements 8, whereby the frame may be secured to the wall of a car.

A retainer 10 in the form of a strip, extends between the flanges 5 of the bars 1 and 4. A retainer 11, in the form of a strip, projects inwardly from the flange 5 of the bar 3 in parallel relation to the bar 2, but spaced therefrom. A retainer 12, in the form of a strip or rod projects inwardly from the flange 5 of the bar 4, in alinement with the retainer 11, the retainer 12 being disposed in parallel relation to the bar 2, but spaced therefrom. A strip or retainer 14, disposed parallel to the retainer 10, projects inwardly from the flange 5 of the bar 3 and is joined to the inner end of the retainer 12, the retainer 11 being provided at its end with an angularly disposed extension 15, joined to the retainer 14 and defining therewith, an angle 16. Notches 17 are formed in the flanges 5 of the bars 3 and 4, and are alined with the space between the parts 11 and 12 on the one hand, and the bar 2 on the other hand, the bases of the notches 17 being inclined, as indicated at 18.

In practical operation, a card 19, inscribed in any suitable way, as indicated at 20, is inserted into the space between the parts 11 and 12 on the one hand, and the bar 2 on the other hand, the edges of the card being directed, by the inclined bases 18 of the notches 17, beneath the flanges 5 of the bars 3 and 4. The card rides on the flanges 6 of the bars 3 and 4, and, ultimately, it is received along one edge, between the flanges 5 and 6 of the bar 1, the card resting on the flanges 6 and being retained by the flanges 5. The card, of course, is held by the retainers 10, 14, 11 and 12. Since the element 15 defines the angle 16 with one end of the retainer 14, a portion of the card 19 is exposed, as shown in Figure 1 so that the card can be gripped, and pulled outwardly, through the space existing between the parts 11 and 12 on the one hand, and the bar 2 on the other hand.

What is claimed is:—

In a card holder, a frame provided along three sides with overhanging card retaining flanges and with underlying card-supporting flanges; alined retainers projecting inwardly from the overhanging flanges of two of said sides and spaced from the fourth of the

sides of the frame; and a third retainer extended between the overhanging flange of the third of said three sides and one of the alined retainers, the other of the alined retainers having an extension joined to the third retainer and defining therewith an angle in which a card may be gripped.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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