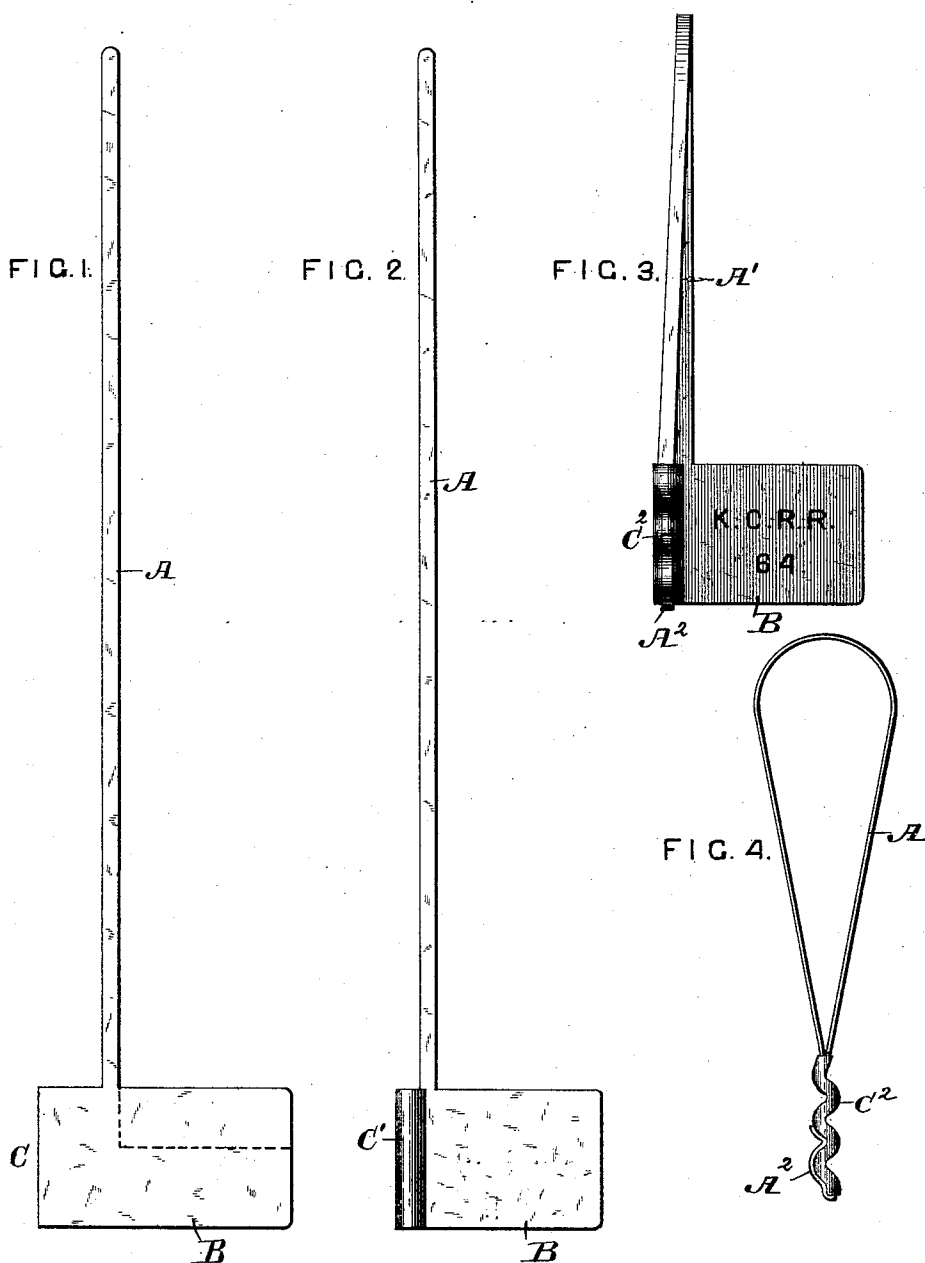


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL E. CHEESEMAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Milldale, in the county of Kenton and State of Kentucky, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Seals for Railroad Freight-Cars, Mail-Bags, &c.; and I hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same.

My invention relates to improvements in seals to indicate upon mere inspection whether or not a freight railroad-car or whatever the seal may be used for has been tampered with.

The object is to produce a more effective and more easily adjustable and cheaper device for the purpose than heretofore used.

The invention consists in forming from a sheet-metal blank a seal having a shackle integral therewith, a portion of said blank on one side of said shackle being formed into a hollow cylinder or socket in which the free end or tongue of said shackle is adapted to be secured by corrugating. The other side of the blank will form a tag on which to stamp the name of the railroad and number of the station. I attain these objects by the mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents the blank as it will be when stamped. Fig. 2 represents the blank with the hollow cylinder. Fig. 3 represents the seal complete. Fig. 4 represents the seal corrugated to fasten it, or a side view.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

A is the shackle, A' the bent shackle, and A² the clinched shackle.

B is the tin-tag part of the blank on which the name of the railroad and number of the station may be stamped when sealed.

C is that part of the blank from which the hollow cylinder or socket is made. C' is the blank with the hollow cylinder made on it. C² is the hollow cylinder or socket corrugated to secure the seal.

Slight changes which might suggest themselves to skilled mechanics could be made in the form of the sheet-metal blank without departing from the spirit or scope of my invention. Hence I do not limit myself to the precise construction herein shown.

What I claim is—

A seal consisting of a sheet-metal blank, having a shackle integral therewith, a portion of said blank on one side of said shackle being formed into a hollow cylinder in which the free end of said shackle is adapted to be secured, the other side of said blank forming a tag, substantially as described and shown.

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