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SIZE MARKER HOLDER

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Fig. 1.

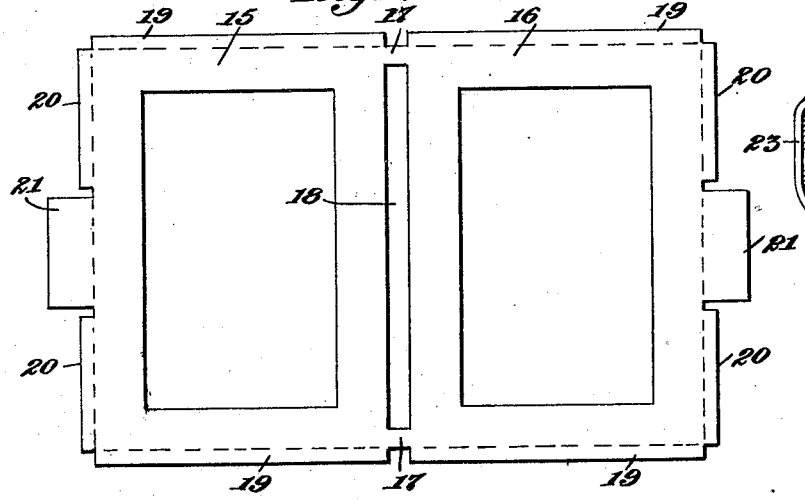


Fig. 2.

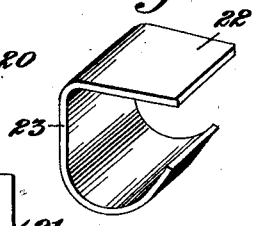


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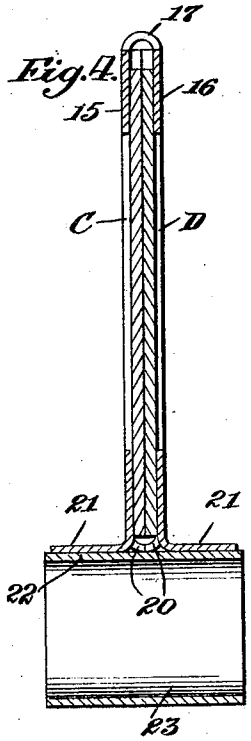
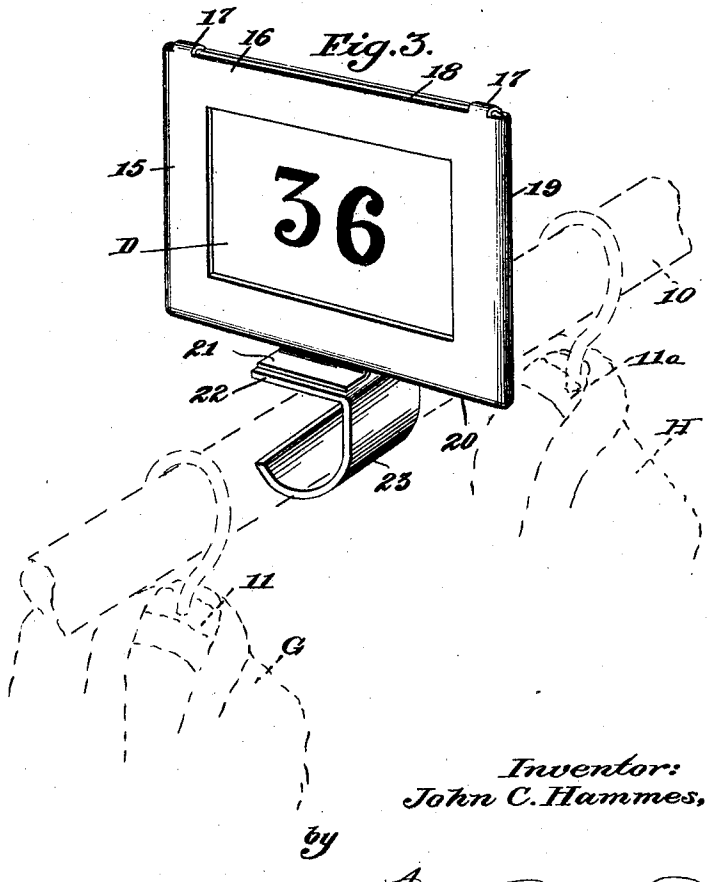


Fig. 3.



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This invention relates to a holder for a label, and is particularly adapted for employment with the size marker employed in clothing stores for designating the sizes of garments which are hung from suspension rods.

One of the objects of the present invention is to provide very simple and compact construction of a holder which may be adjusted in position upon the suspension rod according to the number of garments of a given size.

Another feature of the invention is a holder which may be formed of sheet metal and which substantially encloses the label inserted therein and protects it at its edges against being bent or distorted while garments are being placed on or moved from the suspension rod.

A further feature of the invention is the construction of a label holder in which the label may be seen from both sides, and comprising two sheet metal pieces which when secured together prevent inadvertent or accidental removal of the label from the holder.

With these and other objects in view as will appear in the course of the following specification and claims, an illustrative form of the invention is set forth in the accompanying drawings, in which:

Figure 1 is a view of the blank for forming the label containing portion of the holder.

Figure 2 is a perspective view of the attaching portion of the holder.

Figure 3 is a perspective view of an assembled holder, located upon a suspension rod.

Figure 4 is a vertical sectional view through a holder in assembled form.

In clothing stores, for example, it is customary to provide a horizontal suspension rod 10 from which the usual hangers 11, 11*a* which each receive a garment G, H may be suspended. It is the practice in such stores to segregate the garments according to sizes, but in the hurry and confusion incident to the removal and replacing of garments, and the necessity of the clerk inspecting the labels of adjacent garments, it is often found that the garments are wrongly replaced. Further, the customer in inspecting the garments is not advised as to the section of the rod upon which garments of the desired size may be found.

According to the present invention, a label holder is provided which may be mounted on the suspension rod, and which serves as an indicator to give the sizes of garments located adjacent a respective face of the holder.

As shown in Figure 1, a sheet metal blank is formed having the two lateral frame portions 15, 16 which are joined by the narrow bridges 17 adjacent the ends. A long slot 18 separates the two frames 15, 16 between the bridges 17. At each end of the frame thus formed are preferably provided the narrow side tabs 19, while the free edges of the frame portions 15, 16 are provided with similar bottom tabs 20 which are spaced apart adjacent the centers of the frames, and between them are provided the feet 21.

An attaching member is likewise formed of sheet metal as shown in Figure 2, and has a substantially flat top 22 and a curved attaching finger portion 23 which is adapted to closely fit a suspension rod 10, with a sufficient resilient friction to hold the device in upright position as shown in Figure 3, but permitting the finger to be slid along the rod 10 to any desired position thereon.

In assembling these parts, the two frames are folded into parallelism with one another by bending the bridges 17 to the position shown in Figure 4. The feet 21 are bent outwardly away from one another. The end tabs 19 and the bottom tabs 20 are likewise bent inward until they form a closed structure as shown in Figures 3 and 4. The feet 21 are then secured to the top portion or table 22 of the securing member, and are fastened as by spot-welding. The securing member 22, 23 therefor serves to hold the folded frame in its final position.

Any desired number of these holders may be mounted on a suspension rod 10, and adjusted to the desired position along the length of the same corresponding to the number of garment hangers 11 which are to be suspended between adjacent holders. Cards C, D may then be slipped into the

opening left by the slot 18 at the top between the bridges 17. Thus the card D may have the size marking "36" thereon as shown in Figure 3, while the card C may have another size marking to indicate that the garment H on the hanger 11A in Figure 3 is of a different size.

It will be noted that the cards are prevented from dropping downward beyond a predetermined position by their engagement with the infolded bottom tabs 20, and from horizontal movement between the frames 15, 16 by the infolded end tabs 19. Further, the bridges 17 assure the cards, in addition to their own usual frictional engagement in the holders, against falling out if the holder should be acidentally rocked about the axis of the suspension rod 10.

Further, the frames have windows therein of a large size and thus display the cards fully: and also permit the direct engagement of the thumb and forefinger of a clerk for the removal of the cards when it is desired to change the indications given by a particular holder.

It is obvious that the invention is not limited to the form of invention illustrated, but that it may be modified in many ways within the scope of the appended claims.

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

1. A label holder comprising a pair of apertured frames, each frame having a foot at one edge thereof and inwardly directed label retaining portions on other edges thereof, and an attaching member rigidly connected to the feet of both said frames for maintaining them at a predetermined distance and including means for attaching the holder to a support.

2. A label holder comprising a pair of apertured sheet metal frames, each having a foot at one edge, said frames being integrally joined at the edges opposite said foot, and an attaching member rigidly connected to the feet of both said frames, and including means for attaching the holder to a support.

3. A label holder comprising a pair of apertured sheet metal frames, each having a foot at its lower edge, said frames being spaced apart to receive the label and connected integrally together by bridge portions extending between the top edges thereof, and an attaching member rigidly connected to the feet of both said frames and including means for attaching the holder to a support.

4. A label holder comprising a pair of apertured sheet metal frames which are parallel and spaced apart to receive the label, and an attaching member rigidly connected to said frames and including a curved portion for attaching the holder upon a suspension rod.

5. A label holder comprising a pair of apertured sheet metal frames which are parallel and spaced apart to receive the label, and a curved resilient sheet metal attaching member rigidly connected to said frames and adapted to embrace a suspension rod whereby to support the holder.

6. A label holder comprising a pair of vertical apertured sheet metal frames located at a predetermined distance apart, each having its side edges inwardly directed whereby to form a receptacle for the label so that the two sides of the contents of the receptacle are visible through the apertures of the frames, and an attaching member secured at the bottom edges of said frames.

7. A label holder as in claim 6 in which portions of the lower edges are inwardly directed to form a bottom for said receptacle.

8. A label holder comprising a pair of sheet metal frames having oppositely directed feet at their bottom edges and being integrally connected by bridge portions at the top edges, and a sheet metal attaching member having one portion fixedly connected to said feet to hold the frames in spaced relationship, and including a curved portion adapted to embrace a suspension rod whereby to support the holder.

9. A label holder comprising a pair of apertured frames connected integrally together by bridge portions extending between the top edges thereof, and an attaching member connected to said frames at the bottoms thereof whereby to hold the frames in predetermined relative positions, said member including means for attaching the holder to a support.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature.

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